

## THE NIGERIAN CAPITAL MARKETS Outlook For 2015 And Beyond

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## Global Economic Outlook





#### **GLOBAL HEADLINES**

- The global economy is expected to grow at 2.8% in 2015, down from the 3.0% predicted in January. Growth is projected to be 3.2% 2016.
- Global crude oil prices appear to have found a floor, following sharp investment cuts in the shale industry. Longer-term prospects of unconventional sources of oil suggest that prices will likely remain low.
- 6.7% growth in East Asia & Pacific reflects a continued slowdown in China that is offset by a pickup in the rest of the region.
- High government debt remains a burden for the Euro area amidst modest recovery, with inflation expected to remain around the zero mark in 2015 due to slacks in the aggregate Euro area surplus and low oil prices.
- Commodity based economies continue to feel the pinch from the decline in global commodity prices.

# Nigeria today – the 26th largest economy in the world and the largest economy in Africa

## ON THE BRINK OF GREATNESS ....

Internally supported growth | Sizeable youthful and active population | Rich resource base Economic visibility & attractiveness (potential to achieve 7.1% annual GDP growth could make Nigeria a September 2015 top-20 economy in 2030, with GDP of more than \$1.6 tn) 4 Source: McKinsey Global Institute (MGI)

## Nigeria's Economic Pulse



Capital Market	<ul> <li>Capital Market Outlook</li> <li>Govt. policy uncertainty priced into market due to pending cabinet formation</li> <li>Volatility of the naira causing slight reduction in FPI as investors will need to achieve high gains in the market to beat potential currency devaluation</li> <li>In overall terms, weak Corporate performance in H1 as a result of slowing economic growth</li> </ul>
Gov't & Fiscal Policy	<ul> <li>Staying the Course</li> <li>Govt. committed to maintaining fiscal stability, however diversification of the economy to reduce the reliance on oil is imperative</li> <li>Improved financial intermediation by banks and other financial institutions</li> <li>Foreign reserve concerns, down to \$31.43Bn in Aug'15 vs. \$34.5Bn in Dec '14</li> </ul>
Inflation and Currency	<ul> <li>Focus on Low Inflation</li> <li>Central Bank focus on maintaining single digit inflation (9.2)%, however challenges of naira devaluation and insurgency in the north to make imports/food products more expensive which could raise prices for the consumer</li> <li>Increased Govt. intervention in critical economic sectors is expected</li> </ul>
Moderate Economic Growth	<ul> <li>Moderate Growth</li> <li>Outlook for H2'15 is moderately optimistic</li> <li>Announcement of Govt.'s agenda is anticipated to spur growth</li> <li>Focus will be on inclusive growth, diversification of economy, ongoing anti-graft focus, and budgetary discipline</li> </ul>

## However Key Challenges Still Exist





## Addressing Nigeria's Challenges





## Role of the Capital Market in the Economy







#### The Capital market is poised to drive emergence of the Nigerian Economy

Support for reforms in the power, and oil & gas sectors, and diversification of Govt. revenues	Primary source of funding for infrastructural and high impact development projects
Expansion of participants from both exchange and operator perspective	Liquid and efficient market for the secondary trading of securities
Investment in Technology infrastructure Capital Marke Master Plan	governance and shareholder value
Greater representation of all key sectors of the economy	Product diversification to boost investment and cater to various risk-return profiles
Strategic alliance with peer exchanges to exploit synergic advantages	Flexible and facilitative regulatory framework which supports innovation and development of the market

## Key Challenges Facing the Capital Market





**Competitiveness of transaction costs** 

Liquidity issues/low domestic participation

Relatively low numbers of listed companies and products

Limited capacity of operators and stakeholders

Funding of Investments and Securities Tribunal (IST)

**Fragmented financial services sector** 

## Proposed Framework for Market Growth







#### Our Mission:

To provide investors and businesses a reliable, efficient and an adaptable exchange hub in Africa, to save and to access capital.

*Our Vision:* To be Africa's foremost securities exchange driven by **R**egulation, **E**fficiency, **L**iquidity and **I**nnovation. (R-E-L-I)

#### **1970s**

The Lagos Stock Exchange becomes the NSE and several branches (with trading floors) are opened across Nigeria

#### 1990s

The IPF is operational; policy is enacted to encourage foreign participation; and the Exchange automates trading

## The X Era

## **2012**

Introduction of Primary Market Making Program

#### 2014

1<sup>st</sup> dual listing of shares on NSE & LSE and admission as full member of WFE

1960

The NSE is

founded as

the Lagos

Stock

Exchange

#### 1961

Trading begins with 19 listed securities -3 equities, 6 FGN bonds and 10 industrial loans

#### 1980s

Focus on increasing corporate governance in the market, on the back of international exposure via Reuters

#### 2000s

Modernization, strong GDP growth, an influx of local/ foreign participation ignite the market; weak regulatory practices rupture the market

### 2013

Launch of revolutionary trading engine, X-Gen

#### **2015** Launch of the NSE Premium Board

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## NSE is Home to...























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## NSE's Market Position in Africa



#### **Company Highlights:**

- Today, NSE services the largest economy in Africa, and is championing the development of Africa's financial markets.
- The NSE offers listing and trading services, licensing services, in addition to market data solutions, ancillary technology services, and more.
- NSE has deployed 21<sup>st</sup> Century technologies launching several "Best-in-Class" solutions which has resulted in the NSE's revolutionary transformation.
- The Exchange offers a robust and internationally recognized regulatory environment that bolsters trust and investor confidence.
- The NSE is a full member of the World Federation of Exchanges (WFE) with meaningful participation in other global and regional organizations, some of which set global standards.



## NSE Addressing Capital Market Challenges





Market regulations and market operators cohesion for effective regulation

#### **Operationally integrated, cost-efficient focused**

- Focus on sales
- Effective communication and marketing

- Effective corporate governance
- Competitive pricing studies

### Preferred frontier market for global investors

## The NSE's Strategic Game Plan



Increase the number of new listings across 5 asset classes

- NDR Product
- Premium Board
- Growth Board
- Africa Growth Company Listings Drive

Increase order flow in the 5 asset classes

- Direct Market Access
- Data Center
- Competitive Fee Structure

Operate a fair and orderly market based on just and equitable principles

- World-Class
   Surveillance Program
- Rules Portal
- Minimum Operating Standards

## Awards & Accolades





Award For Promoting Best Practice Reporting and Corporate Disclosure

LAGOS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (LCCI) COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AWARD 2015 A africainvestor Investment and Business Leader Awards Best Initiative in Support

of SMEs & the Millenium Development Goals

Winner 2014 The Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) Best Initiative In Support of SMEs The Millenium Development Goals (2014 Winner)

#### AFRICAN INVESTOR (Ai) INVESTOR AND BUSINESS LEADER AWARDS



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