



ENSURING INVESTOR PROTECTION

SEC NEWS

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION

1ST QUARTER (JAN. - MAR.) 2020

44th AMERC Meeting Doha, Qatar



Update on Revocation of
Licences Of Fund Management
Companies



Key Outcomes Of the 44th
Africa Middle East Regional
Committee



1st Quarter Market Summary
Analyses & Highlights



Key Market Statistics



Infractions, Penalties and
Complaints Received in the
First Quarter of 2020



*"Never invest in a business you cannot
understand."*
- Warren Buffett





TABLE OF CONTENTS

02

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Public Advice
Public Notice

08

INTERNATIONAL UPDATES

The 44th meeting of the Africa Middle East Regional Committee of IOSCO, was held in Doha, Qatar on the 29th of January 2020.

11

KNOWLEDGE BANK

Public confidence in the fairness of markets enhances liquidity and efficiency. Market manipulation/conflict of interest harms the integrity of, and thereby undermines public confidence in, capital markets by distorting prices, the inability to honour redemptions, harming the hedging functions of these markets, and creating an artificial appearance of market activity.

12

ENFORCEMENTS

Infractions, Penalties and Complaints Received during the First Quarter of 2020.

14

FACTS & FIGURES

- Assets under Management (1st Quarter 2020)
- Offers and Other Approvals
- Capital Market Statistics and Analyses

18

MARKET SUMMARY ANALYSES & HIGHLIGHTS

The Ghana Stock Exchange Composite index, the GSE-CI closed at 2,159.61 points at end of the first quarter (Q1) 2020 from 2,257.15 points recorded at the end of the year 2019. This represents a -4.32% year-to-date (YTD) change compared to -12.25% YTD as at the end of last quarter (Q4) 2019.

EDITORIAL TEAM

- | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Dr Jacob Aidoo | 5. Mrs Naomi Simpson |
| 2. Mr Emmanuel Ashong-Katai | 6. Ms Dorothy Yeboah-Asiamah |
| 3. Mrs Marian Afriye-Opoku | 7. Mrs Lilian Danso Affum |
| 4. Mr Frank Biney Donkor | 8. Mr Andy Anim |

Disclaimer: The views expressed in this Newsletter are the author's own and do not necessarily represent the views of the Securities and Exchange Commission, its members or staff.

DESIGNED & PRINTED BY:





NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

1. PUBLIC ADVICE

Members of the general public are advised to use the Commission's Toll-Free Line 0800100065 or Main Line 0302768970-2 to contact the Commission on any issue they may have relating to the securities market and investments, including:

- Seeking general information about the securities market and products.
- Seeking information about licensed capital market operators.
- Reporting persons suspected to be operating in the securities market without a license.
- Reporting fraudulent investment schemes (e.g. Ponzi schemes).
- Reporting fraudulent activities of capital market operators.
- Making complaints against capital market operators.

2. PUBLIC NOTICE

A) UPDATE ON REVOCATION OF LICENCES OF FUND MANAGEMENT COMPANIES: APPEALS AGAINST REVOCATIONS (NOTICE NO. SEC/PN/005/06/2020)

The Securities and Exchange Commission (hereinafter referred to as "SEC") is the statutory body mandated by the Securities Industry Act 2016 (Act 929) to promote the orderly growth and development of an efficient, fair and transparent securities market in which investors and the integrity of the market are protected. SEC hereby issues this notice pursuant to Section 208 of the Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929).

Pursuant to Section 122 (2) (b) of Act 929, the Securities and Exchange Commission by notice on the 8th day of November 2019 (**Notice No. EC/PN/012/11/2019**), revoked the licences of 53 Fund Management companies.

a) Administrative Hearing Committee Cases

Following the revocation of the licences of the companies on 8th November, 2019, the following companies exercised their right under section 19 (3) of Act 929 and appealed to the Administrative Hearings Committee (AHC) of the Securities and Exchange Commission for re-consideration of the revocation decision. The AHC have considered the appeals and based on new evidence available to it, decided as follows:

NO	COMPANY	DECISION
1	MONARCH CAPITAL LTD	Licence restored
2	INTEGRITY FUND MGT LTD	Revocation commuted to suspension for 6 months
3	LEGACY FUND MANAGEMENT LTD	Revocation commuted to suspension for 6 months
4	KRON CAPITAL LTD	Revocation sustained
5	KRIPA CAPITAL LTD	Revocation sustained
6	FRONTLINE CAPITAL ADVISORS LTD	Revocation sustained
7	INTERMARKET ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD (FORMERLY CDH ASSET MGT LTD)	Revocation sustained



8	BLACKSHIELD CAPITAL MGT LTD (FORMERLY GOLDCOAST FUND MGT LTD)	Revocation sustained
---	---	----------------------

b) Court cases

The following companies have filed cases in the Court which are at various stages;

1. Firstbanc Financial Services Limited
2. Apex Capital Limited
3. Omega Capital Limited

Kindly direct all queries to:

Toll Free Number: 0800 1000 65

Revocations Helpline: 0242 439 441 (option 4)

Email addresses: revocations@sec.gov.gh; info@sec.gov.gh

ISSUED BY ORDER OF
THE SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC)
DATED: June 12, 2020

**B) UPDATE ON APPOINTMENT OF FUND MANAGERS FOR 18 COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES
(NOTICE NO. SEC/PN/004/05/2020)**

The Securities and Exchange Commission (hereinafter referred to as “SEC”) is the statutory body mandated by the Securities Industry Act 2016 (Act 929) to promote the orderly growth and development of an efficient, fair and transparent securities market in which investors and the integrity of the market are protected.

In accordance with section 88 (6) of the Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929), Boards of Directors (for Mutual Funds) and Trustees (for Unit Trusts) of 18 Collective Investment Schemes (CIS) whose Managers had their licences revoked were directed by the SEC on 15th November, 2019 to appoint new fund managers for the management of the CIS by 10th January, 2020 (an extended deadline), pursuant to **SEC Notice SEC/PN/018/12/2019**.

As at the date of this Circular, 13 Collective Investment Schemes made up of 11 Mutual Funds and 2 Unit Trusts have notified the SEC of the appointment of new managers as follows:

COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES	NEW FUND MANAGER
1. CDH Balanced Fund Limited	Linx Capital Limited
2. Sirius Opportunity Fund Limited	Waica Re Capital Limited
3. First Fund Limited	TTL Capital Limited
4. FirstBanc Heritage Fund Limited	TTL Capital Limited
5. Galaxy Balanced Fund Limited	OctaneDC Limited
6. Galaxy Money Market Fund Limited	OctaneDC Limited
7. Ideal Sika Fund Limited	IGS Financial Services Limited
8. Omega Equity Fund Limited	IGS Financial Services Limited
9. Omega Income Fund Limited	IGS Financial Services Limited



10. Nordea Income Growth Fund Limited	EcoCapital Investment Management Ltd
11. All-Time Bond Fund Limited	Nimed Capital Limited
12. Unisecurities Unit Trust	First Finance Company Limited
13. Gold Fund Unit Trust	First Finance Company Limited

The Directors and Trustees of the following Mutual Funds and Unit Trusts have failed to appoint new fund managers as at the date of this notice:

1. Gold Money Market Fund Limited
2. Weston Oil and Gas Fund Limited
3. Freedom Fund Unit Trust
4. McTrust Unit Trust

The Trustee of EM Balanced Unit Trust, Universal Merchant Bank Limited has been directed by the SEC to liquidate EM Balanced Unit Trust.

In accordance with Act 929, the SEC shall engage the respective Directors and Trustees, in the interest of investors in order to determine other possible courses of action for shareholders/unitholders of the Mutual Funds/Unit Trusts and same shall be communicated in due course.

Please channel any concerns through revocations@sec.gov.gh or call our toll-free line 0800 100 065 for any further clarification.

This circular is issued pursuant to section 3, 208 and 209 of the Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929)

ISSUED BY ORDER OF
THE SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC)
DATED: May 12, 2020

**C) NOTICE TO CAPITAL MARKET OPERATORS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC:
RESTRICTION ON MOVEMENT OF PERSONS
(NOTICE NO. SEC/PN/003/03/2020)**

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) hereby issues this Notice pursuant to Section 3 and 209 of the Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929). In furtherance to the President of the Republic's exercise of powers under the Imposition of Restrictions Act, 2020 (Act 1012) to impose a restriction on movement of persons, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) issues this Notice to Market Operators and Investors in the Securities Industry:

1. Market operators in areas not affected by the partial lockdown are to operate during working hours.
2. All Market operators in areas affected by the restriction on movement of persons are to operate using a minimum number of staff to meet the needs of their customers as well as recourse to electronic means to communicate with clients and facilitate transactions including securities trading, settlement, client investments and redemptions.
3. All market operators are reminded to adhere to SEC's Notice on Covid 19 issued on 20th March 2020.
4. Submission of reports should continue to the email addresses provided below:

TYPE OF LICENSE HOLDER/ MARKET ACTIVITY	EMAIL ADDRESS
Fund Management Companies including Custodians, Trustees	funds@sec.gov.gh
Broker-Dealers/ Investment Advisors	brokerdealers@sec.gov.gh



Market Infrastructure Providers - (Ghana Stock Exchange, Ghana Commodities Exchange, Central Securities Depository and Registrars)	exmarkets@sec.gov.gh
Anti-Money Laundering Reporting Officers (AML/CFT)	auditrisk@sec.gov.gh
Listed Companies/ Issuers of Securities	issuers@sec.gov.gh

For further information and filing of complaints, please contact us on our website www.sec.gov.gh/email: info@sec.gov.gh / Telephone: 0800100065

ISSUED BY ORDER OF
THE SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC)
DATED: March 29, 2020

**D) PUBLIC NOTICE TO ISSUERS, MARKET OPERATORS AND INVESTORS ON
SUBMISSION OF 2019 AUDITED ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.
(NOTICE NO. SEC/PN/002/03/2020)**

The Securities and Exchange Commission (hereinafter referred to as “SEC”) is the statutory body mandated by the Securities Industry Act 2016 (Act 929) to promote the orderly growth and development of an efficient, fair and transparent securities market in which investors and the integrity of the market are protected.

The SEC issues this NOTICE to Issuers and Market Operators on a dispensation on the deadline for the submission of audited annual financial statements against the background of the disruption created by the outbreak of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Issuers of securities to the public and Market Operators are required to submit their audited annual financial statements to the Commission, not later than three months after the close of their financial year in accordance with Regulation 54 and 33 of L.I. 1728, except Collective Investment Schemes which are required to submit their audited annual financial statements to the Commission and circulate the annual Investor’s Report to their shareholders/ unit holders not later than four months after the close of the financial year in accordance with Regulation 50 (2) of L.I.1695.

Issuers and Market Operators who would not be able to meet the deadline for submission of their audited annual financial statements to the Commission and circulation of same to investors may apply to the Commission for extension of time **before the expiry of the submission deadline.**

All such requests for extension should be submitted electronically to the following email addresses: info@sec.gov.gh; funds@sec.gov.gh; issuers@sec.gov.gh; brokerdealers@sec.gov.gh. You may call our toll-free line 0800100065 or main lines: 0302768970-2 for any clarification you may need.

This **NOTICE** is issued pursuant to sections 3 and 208 of the Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929)

ISSUED BY ORDER OF
THE SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC)
DATED: March 26, 2020



E)

**CIRCULAR ON CORONAVIRUS (COVID- 19)
NOTICE NO. SEC/CIR/002/03/2020**

In furtherance to the government's public directives on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) issues this circular to Market Operators and Investors in the Securities Industry for the protection of staff, investors, customers and the securities industry as a whole:

1. Licensed Market Operators are enjoined to strictly observe all government directives on public gatherings, social distancing, hand washing and apply same in all your business settings.
2. Provide effective and efficient protective safety procedures for all staff.
3. Ensure that arrangements at receptions comply with the social distancing requirements.
4. Ensure that critical and front line staff are provided with protective equipment such as gloves, face masks, and hand sanitizers.
5. Provide hand sanitizing dispensers at entry points to your offices for the benefit of clients and other vantage points within the premises for the benefit of employees.
6. Deploy disaster recovery and business continuity plans in readiness for any possible emergencies or in case of a **"SHUTDOWN"** where direct physical operations and delivery of service to clients becomes impossible.
7. Put in place contingency measures and policies that would allow staff to work from home or serve customers from remote but known locations should the need arise.
8. Customers and market operators are encouraged to use electronic forms of communication and payment platforms.
9. Scheduling of annual general meetings of collective investment schemes should be done to conform to the directives on public gatherings announced by the President.

The SEC, being the regulator of the securities industry, has also put in place internal measures designed to cope with the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic to reduce direct contact with the public and over-crowding within the premises of the SEC. As part of these measures, all statutory returns are encouraged to be filed online.

Fund Managers are urged to adhere to redemption requests as stipulated in contracts with investors. In the unlikely event of a breach, Investors are encouraged to file complaints with the SEC via the SEC's toll-free number **0800100065**, the email address **helpdesk@sec.gov.gh** or the SEC's website **www.sec.gov.gh**. All Hearings of Complaints against market operators have been suspended till further notice.

In view of the above, it is directed that, with effect from **Monday, 23rd March 2020**, all statutory returns and reports required to be filed with the SEC, shall henceforth be scanned and forwarded to the applicable or appropriate departments as follows:

TYPE OF LICENCE HOLDER/ MARKET ACTIVITY	EMAIL ADDRESS
Fund Management Companies including Custodians, Trustees	funds@sec.gov.gh
Broker-Dealers/ Investment Advisors	brokerdealers@sec.gov.gh
Market Infrastructure Providers - (Ghana Stock Exchange, Ghana Commodities Exchange, Central Securities Depository and Registrars)	exmarkets@sec.gov.gh
Anti-Money Laundering Reporting Officers (AML/CFT)	auditrisk@sec.gov.gh
Listed Companies/ Issuers of Securities	issuers@sec.gov.gh

This circular is issued pursuant to section 3(i) and 209 of the Securities Industry Act with consequences in 209 (4) of the same Act.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF
THE SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC)
DATED: March 20, 2020

**F) PUBLIC NOTICE: UPDATE ON CLAIMS PROCESS FOR INVESTORS OF 53 FUND
MANAGEMENT COMPANIES WITH REVOKED
LICENCES NOTICE NO. SEC/PN/001/02/2020**

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) hereby issues this Notice pursuant to sections 3 and 209 of the Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929) to all Investors (excluding Investors of Collective Investment Schemes) on claims for the 53 Fund Management Companies (“FMCs”) with revoked licences.

SEC would like to thank Investors and all stakeholders for the successful completion of the submissions which commenced on 18th November 2019 and ended on 15th January 2020. Investors who are yet to receive acknowledgment of claims from SEC should note that acknowledgements are ongoing.

Two phases of the payment of claims are yet to commence. In the first phase, the amount promised and allocated by Government would be paid to investors after the validation of claims submitted.

The second phase will be after a Court-appointed Official Liquidator realizes net proceeds upon successful winding-up proceedings in Court in relation to the affected Fund Managers’ assets.

Further communication on payments will be made in due course.

Investors may send emails to SEC at helpdesk@sec.gov.gh or call this toll-free **number 0800-100065** for clarification.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF
THE SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC)
DATED: February 11, 2020



2. INTERNATIONAL UPDATES

44TH AMERC MEETING

DOROTHY YEBOAH-ASIAMAH

Manager, International Relations and Board Secretary

The 44th meeting of the Africa Middle East Regional Committee of IOSCO, was held in Doha, Qatar on the 29th January 2020. The meeting was chaired by the Vice Chairman of Africa Middle East Regional Committee (AMERC) Mr. Khaled Alhomoud, Commissioner of the Capital Markets Authority Saudi Arabia.

The core focus of the meeting was for jurisdictions to share their experiences and for members to benefit from the lessons learnt and manage the risks identified in the different jurisdictions.

The meeting indicated that low listings and declining IPOs remained a major regional concern. Based on the findings on the AMERC Survey on listings and the discussions that emerged, there was an expectation from members to look at the wider context of capital markets solutions that could be leveraged by businesses

including private equity.

Emphasis was placed on the importance of continuous review of global and domestic risks in respective jurisdictions and the need to take mitigation measures to promote financial stability.

Key Matters for IOSCO Board Meeting

The IOSCO Secretary General Mr. Paul Andrews, highlighted on the key issues for the IOSCO Board in 2020. He indicated that the IOSCO Board would focus on six priority areas in 2020:

1. Market Conduct – Emphasis on the impact of evolving technology, such as Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, on market behavior. Issues for consideration included conflict of interest, harmful conduct and its impact on outcomes for investors.
2. Sustainable Finance – The Sustainable Finance Network of IOSCO would produce a report highlighting the key issues.
3. Financial Stability - The three key pillars of IOSCO were; investor protection, fair & efficient markets, and systemic risk. Mr. Andrews



The core focus of the meeting was for jurisdictions to share their experiences and for members to benefit from the lessons learnt and to manage the risks identified in the different jurisdictions.



indicated that, the Financial Stability Board took the lead on systemic risk but the IOSCO Board was taking a keen interest in that.

4. Asset management – the Board would be expected to consider the use of leverage in investment funds in a way that could support financial stability. The Board would consider liquidity and leverage issues and measurement of leverage across all funds and jurisdictions. The key focus was noted to be establishing consistent rather than identical arrangements given the distinct types of funds and use of leverage.

5. Market fragmentation – Mr. Andrews indicated that, that was a key issue for the G20 Presidency of Japan.

6. Elections – Mr. Andrews noted that elections were held every even number years and indicated that it would be coming up to fill various slots.

Update on the Listings Assignment

Mr. Guillermo Larrain from Chile Capital presented a summary of findings. Some of the key recommendations arising from the work of the consultancy supporting the AMERC Working



AMERC was expected to benefit from the outcome of the consultancy on listings to unlock the potential for additional listings; promote and deepen market-based financing through capital market products in the AMERC region.

Group on Listings included: exit strategies for private equity through the capital markets to enhance market deepening, create more awareness on the opportunities available in the capital markets; reviewing compliance costs for listed companies especially in the SME segment, and encouraging family-owned businesses to consider listing on the securities exchanges.

AMERC was expected to benefit from the outcome of the consultancy on listings to unlock the potential for additional listings; and promote and deepen market-based financing through capital market products in the AMERC region. Noting the diverse levels of development of markets in the region, the work would leverage lessons from jurisdictions that had increased listings through policy interventions and innovative and facilitative regulatory frameworks.

The meeting indicated that the AMERC Meeting and Conference in 2021 would be hosted by Commission d'Organisation et de Surveillance des Opérations de Bourse (COSOB) Algeria.





GHANA STOCK EXCHANGE AND LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE SIGN MOU

DOROTHY YEBOAH - ASIAMAH

Manager, International Relations & Board Secretary

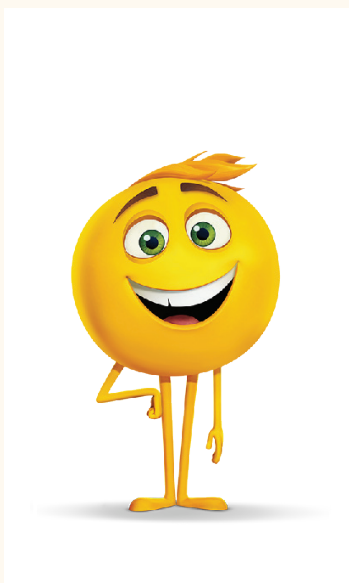
The Ghana Stock Exchange (GSE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in February 2020 with the London Stock Exchange Group (LSEG) to strengthen their common interest in collaborating to support the development of the capital market in Ghana.

As part of the MOU, the LSEG would assist the GSE to take steps to move from a frontier market to an emerging market, support cross-listing between the LSE and GSE and raise awareness of capital raising opportunities.

development and market diversity in Ghana.

As part of the MOU, the GSE and the Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC) would sign a commercial contract with the LSEG Academy to provide series of capacity building programmes to support product

ANSWERS TO BRAIN TEASERS IN PREVIOUS ISSUE



1) U472BMT

2) No stairs

3) Fill the 5 gallon jug. Pour 3 gallons out of the 5 gallon jug into the 3 gallon jug and discard; this leaves 2 gallons of water in the 5 gallon jug. Pour these 2 gallons of water into the jug you want to fill with 7 gallons of water. Fill the 5 gallon jug again and add it. You now have exactly 7 gallons.

4) Foot steps

5) His son



3. KNOWLEDGE BANK

The Channel for Filing Complaints at SEC: A Right an Investor Must Know!!!

FRANK BINEY DONKOR
Manager, Policy and Research, SEC

Public confidence in the fairness of markets enhances liquidity and efficiency. Market manipulation/conflict of interest harms the integrity of market thereby undermining public confidence in capital markets leading to price distortions, the inability to honour redemptions, harming the hedging functions of these markets, and creating an artificial appearance of market activity.

Accordingly, authorities around the world need to have adequate systems in place to detect, investigate and prosecute market manipulation and help resolve conflicts.

As a result of these irregularities, Capital Market operators are required by the SEC to provide their clients with a written disclosure about material conflicts of interest. This is because they are fiduciaries regarding investment services provided to their clients. Disclosure of conflicts of interest is implicitly required of fiduciaries.

Thus, a complaint, dispute or a violation that may arise in the capital market in Ghana shall be brought to the Commission for hearing and determination before any redress is sought in the courts of law.

In line with the above, section 18 of the Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929) establishes the Administrative Hearings Committee (AHC). The functions of the Administrative Hearings Committee (AHC) are clearly stated in section 18 (4) of the Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929) as follows:

Section 18(4): The functions of the Hearings Committee are:
a) To examine and determine complaints and disputes related to, in respect of, or arising out of a matter to which this Act applies; and
b) To perform a duty related to the functions specified under (a) that may be referred to it by the Commission.

According to section 19 of the Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929):

- 1) Complaints must be submitted in writing to the Director General of the SEC.
- 2) The Director General shall cause the matter to be investigated unless the Director General can settle the disputed

matter or complaint.

3) The Director General shall refer the matter together with the findings of the investigations to the Hearings Committee within thirty days (30) of receipt of the written complaint, dispute or violation.

4) The Director General shall at the same time inform the complainant or persons concerned of the submission of the Hearings Committee.

The Securities Industry Act, 2016 (Act 929) also states in Section 21(5) that when a complaint is submitted to the Hearings Committee, it shall examine and determine the complaint or matter within sixty (60) days from the date of receipt of the complaint or matter unless there is a delay caused by the complainant.

Finally, The Administrative Hearings Committee is a very important tool in resolving conflicts and disputes in the market. It is also an “investor’s right” that must be utilized by investors who in their opinion think that they are not being fairly treated by capital market operators.

Disclaimer: The views expressed are the author’s own and do not necessarily represent the views of the Securities and Exchange Commission, its members or staff.



4. ENFORCEMENTS

INFRACTIONS & PENALTIES; COMPLAINTS RECEIVED DURING THE FIRST QUARTER

1.0 Infractions and Penalties

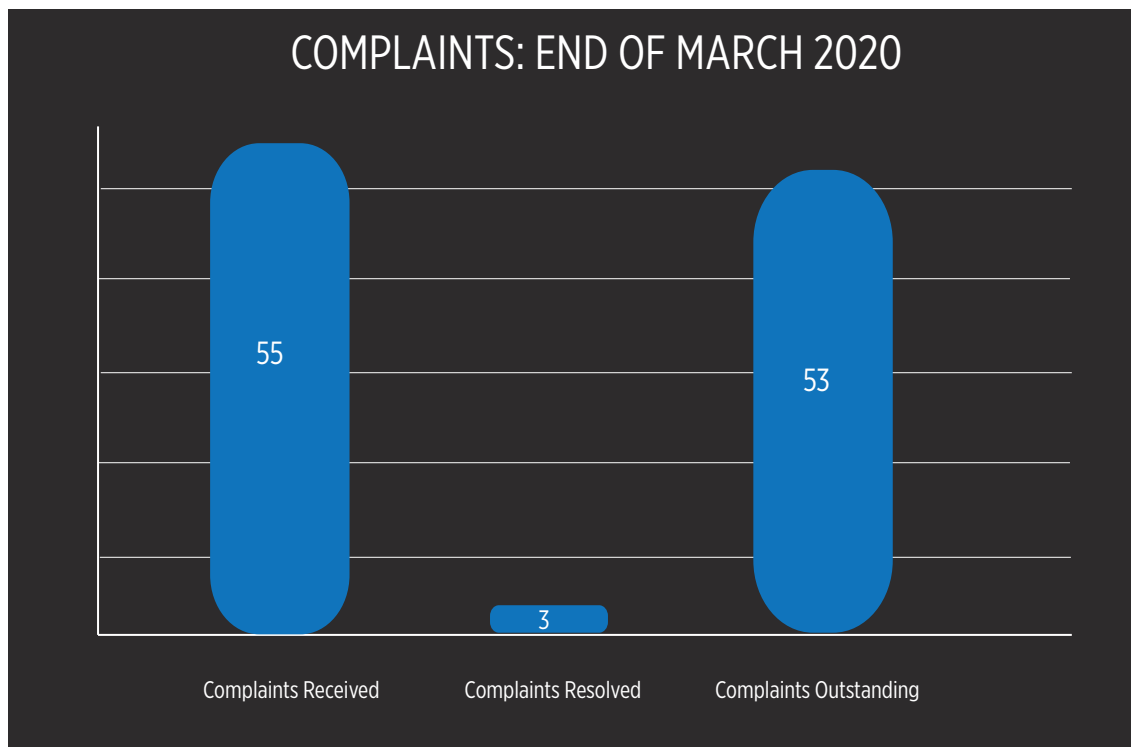
The following companies were sanctioned for various violations of the Securities Industry Act:

COMPANY	INFRINGEMENT	PENALTY (GH¢)
Capstone Capital Ltd	Late submission of 4th quarter Returns	700.00
Capstone Capital Ltd	Late submission of Monthly report-Jan 2020	600.00
NTHC	Late submission of 2019 3RD QTR Report	4,300.00
HMI Management Services Ltd.	Late submission of 4th quarter 2019 returns	200.00
Star Asset Fund Management Ltd.	Late submission of 4th quarter 2019 returns	1,500.00
IFS Capital Management Ltd.	Late Submission of 2018 Audited Financial Statements and 4th quarter 2019 returns	31,700.00

2.0 Complaints

Complaints received during the first quarter of 2020

PERIOD	COMPLAINTS RECEIVED (CUMULATIVE)	COMPLAINTS RESOLVED (CUMULATIVE)	OUTSTANDING (CUMULATIVE)
End Mar 2019	55	3	52



The above complaints were mainly related to:

- i) Non-payment of redemption requests.
- ii) Missing shares



5 FACTS & FIGURES

MARKET STATISTICS OFFERS & OTHER APPROVALS

MARKET STATISTICS

Table Q: Assets under Management (1st Quarter 2020)

AUM (GH¢)	End Mar, 2019	End Dec, 2019	% Change
Pensions	17,480,811,012.15	14,823,757,810.87	17.92
CIS	4,198,311,478.62	3,824,072,843.69	9.79
Other funds	6,292,093,314.00	6,543,892,216.93	(3.85)
Total (GH¢)	27,971,215,804.76	25,191,722,871.49	11.03

*Total AUM of Fund Managers whose licences have been revoked = **GH¢ 6,796,740,350.11**

Offers and Other Approvals

List of firms licensed during the First Quarter 2020

Name of Firm	Category
1. Nimed Lifetime Unit Trust	Unit Trust
2. Investcorp Active Equity Fund	Mutual Fund
3. Investcorp Money Market Fund	Mutual Fund
4. Investcorp Treasury Securities Fund	Mutual Fund

Offers, Approvals and Listings (Primary and Secondary Market)

List of Approvals

1. Offers and Approvals and Listing (Primary and Secondary Market)

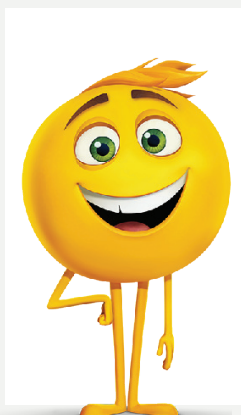
OFFER, LISTING AND BUSINESS COMBINATION APPLICATIONS			
APPLICANT	APPROVAL TYPE	APPROVAL DATE	OFFER SIZE
ADB	Private Placement	02-Jan-2020	GH¢ 127M
ADB	Debt to Share Conversion	30-Jan-2020	GH¢ 150M
GHL/FNB Merger	Merger	07-Feb-2020	GH¢ 161M
ESLA Plc	Supplementary prospectus to increase amount it could raise from GHS 6bn to GH¢ 10bn	18 Feb-2020	GH¢ 10bn from GH¢ 6bn

**2. Note Tranches**

APPROVAL OF NOTE TRANCHES				
ISSUER		TRANCHE NO.	AGGREGATE OFFER SIZE	SUBSCRIPTION (%)
1	ESLA Plc	E4-B	GH¢ 1.87B	64
2	BOND Savings & Loans	13	GH¢ 15M	17

3. Total Number of Issuing Houses

1	ABSA Bank
2	Fidelity Bank Ghana Ltd
3	GCB Bank Ltd.
4	IC Securities Ltd
5	Stanbic Bank Ghana Ltd
6	Standard Chartered Bank Ghana Ltd

ANSWERS TO INVESTING QUIZ IN PREVIOUS ISSUE

- 1) C. Owning a lot of investments that all move up and down together
- 2) B. ETFs are passively managed while mutual funds are actively managed
- 3) A. To sell stock you don't own
- 4) D. You have lent money to the company



CAPITAL MARKET STATISTICS AND ANALYSES

1. Capital Market Operators as at the end of First (1st) Quarter 2020

CATEGORY OF LICENSED OPERATORS		END MAR 2020	END DEC 2019	CHANGE
1	Broker-Dealers	29	25	4
2	Custodians	18	18	0
3	Exchange Traded Funds	1	1	0
4	Investment Advisers	12	10	2
5	Fund Managers	81	82	(1)
6	Mutual Funds	46	43	3
7	Primary Dealers	14	15	(1)
8	Registrars	4	4	0
9	Securities Depositories	1	1	0
10	Securities Exchange	2	2	0
11	Trustees	7	7	0
12	Issuing House	6	6	0
13	Unit Trusts	22	21	1
	TOTAL	243	235	8

2. Stock Market Statistics

Indicators	End Mar 2020	End Dec 2019	% Change
Number of Listed Companies (Main Market)	32	33	(3.03)
Number of Listed Companies (Ghana Alternative Market)	5	5	0
Volume of Trades (Equities)	14,009,982	21,131,266	(33.70)
Value of Trades (GH¢): Equities	11,373,853.04	16,834,824.65	(32.44)
Market Capitalization (GH¢ million)	55,985.55	56,791.28	(1.42)
GSE- Composite Index (GSE-CI)	2,159.61	2,257.15	(4.32)
GSE- CI YTD Returns (%)	(4.32)	(12.25)	64.73
GSE- Financial Stock Index (GSE-FSI)	1,922.92	2,019.65	(4.79)



3. Performance of Equities on Ghana Stock Exchange

NO.	NAME OF COMPANY	CODE	CLOSING PRICE (GH¢) END MAR 2020	OPENING PRICE (GH¢) END DEC 2019	CHANGE (GAIN/LOSS) (GH¢)
1	Access Bank Ghana PLC	ACCESS	4.40	5.00	(0.60)
2	Agricultural Development Bank	ADB	5.06	5.06	0.00
3	AngloGold Ashanti Ltd.	AGA	37.00	37.00	0.00
4	Aluworks Limited	ALW	0.10	0.10	0.00
5	Benso Oil Palm Plantation	BOPP	2.85	2.86	(0.01)
6	Cal Bank Ltd	CAL	0.86	0.89	(0.03)
7	Clydestone (Ghana) Ltd.	CLYD	0.03	0.03	0.00
8	Camelot Ghana Ltd.	CMLT	0.11	0.09	0.02
9	Cocoa Processing Co. Ltd.	CPC	0.02	0.02	0.00
10	Dannex Ayrton Starwin Plc.	DASPHARMA	0.40	0.08	0.32
11	Ecobank Ghana Ltd.	EGH	6.90	8.09	(1.19)
12	Enterprise Group Ltd.	EGL	1.70	1.65	0.05
13	Ecobank Transnational Inc.	ETI	0.08	0.08	0.00
14	Fan Milk Ltd.	FML	4.07	4.12	(0.05)
15	GCB Bank Ltd.	GCB	4.50	5.10	(0.60)
16	Guinness Ghana Breweries Ltd.	GGBL	1.60	1.69	(0.09)
17	Ghana Oil Company Limited	GOIL	1.64	1.70	(0.06)
18	Golden Star Resources Ltd.	GSR	9.50	9.50	0.00
19	Mega African Capital Ltd	MAC	5.98	5.98	0.00
20	Mechanical Lloyd Plc	MLC	0.09	0.09	0.00
21	Scancom PLC	MTNGH	0.68	0.70	(0.02)
22	PBC Ltd.	PBC	0.03	0.03	0.00
23	PZ Cussons Ghana Ltd.	PZC	0.38	0.38	0.00
24	Republic Bank (Ghana) Ltd.	RBGH	0.58	0.56	0.02
25	Standard Chartered Bank Gh. Ltd.	SCB	18.94	18.40	0.54
26	SIC Insurance Company Ltd.	SIC	0.10	0.08	0.02
27	Societe Generale Ghana Limited	SOGEGH	0.75	0.72	0.03
28	Sam Woode Ltd.	SWL	0.05	0.05	0.00
29	Trust Bank Gambia Ltd	TBL	0.40	0.40	0.00
30	Total Petroleum Ghana Ltd.	TOTAL	2.88	3.00	(0.12)
31	Tullow Oil Plc	TLW	11.93	11.94	(0.01)
32	Unilever Ghana Ltd.	UNIL	13.98	16.40	(2.42)
Ghana Alternative Exchange (GAX)					
33	Samba Foods Limited	SAMBA	0.55	0.55	0.00
34	Meridian Marshalls Holding Company	MMH	0.11	0.11	0.00
35	Hords Ltd	HORDS	0.10	0.10	0.00
36	Intravenous Infusions Limited	IIL	0.03	0.05	(0.02)
37	Digicut Production & Advertising Ltd	DIGICUT	0.09	0.09	0.00
Others (Depository and Pref Shares, ETFs)					
38	AngloGold Ashanti Depository Shares	AADS	0.41	0.41	0.00
39	Standard Chartered Bank Pref. Shares	SCB PREF	0.87	0.86	0.01
40	NewGold: Exchange Tradeable Funds (ETFs)	GLD	81.15	54.00	27.15



6. SUMMARY & HIGHLIGHTS

FIRST QUARTER MARKET SUMMARY ANALYSIS/ HIGHLIGHTS

FRANK BINEY DONKOR

Manager, Policy & Research

EQUITY MARKET

The Ghana Stock Exchange Composite index, the GSE-CI closed at **2,159.61 points at end of the first quarter (Q1) 2020 from 2,257.15 points** recorded at the end of the year 2019. This represents a -4.32% year-to-date (YTD) change compared to -12.25% YTD as at the end of last quarter (Q4) 2019.

At the end of the first quarter 2020, there were thirty-seven (37) equities listed on the GSE. Out of the thirty-seven (37) equities, thirty-two (32) of the stocks are listed on the Main trading platform of the GSE whilst the five (5) remaining stocks are listed on the Ghana Alternative Market (GAX) trading platform of the GSE.

During the period under consideration, seven (7) stocks appreciated in price, thirteen (13) stocks recorded price declines and the remaining seventeen (17) stocks traded flat.

The total market capitalization recorded during the period under consideration was **GH¢ 55,985.55 million** compared to **GH¢ 56,791.28 million** at the end of 2019. The decline in market capitalization could mainly be attributed to decreases in stock prices during the period under review. Volume and value of equities traded up to the end of the first quarter of the year 2020 were **99,513,460 shares**

and **GH¢ 76,845,063.78** respectively based on **3,642** trade transactions.

Fixed Income/Debt Market:

At the end of first quarter 2020, the number of notes & bonds (fixed income/debt securities) listed on the GFIM were 115. The debt securities listed are made up of 58 corporate bonds, 51 Ghana Government (GOG) bonds and 6 Eurobonds respectively. The value of Government listed debt securities (GOG), corporate debt and Eurobonds on the GFIM at the end of the first quarter 2020 were **GH¢ 95,667.04 million, GH¢ 9,592.72 million and \$8,750 million**, respectively. In addition, the value of listed Corporate and GoG bonds in dollars were \$15million and \$221.40 million respectively. Finally, the value of trades on the GFIM from January 2020 to the end of March 2020 was **GH¢ 22,641,948,185.00** compared to **GH¢ 54,360,920,213.00** at the end of the last quarter of 2019.

Funds Management Industry:

In the Funds Management industry, the total assets under management (AUM) for the **first quarter** of 2020 was **GH¢ 27,971,215,804.76** which represented an **increase of 11.03%** from the previous quarter. The total assets under management are made up of pension funds (**GH¢ 17,480,811,012.15**), collective investment schemes (CIS = **GH¢ 4,198,311,478.62**) and other funds (**GH¢ 6,292,093,314.00**) managed by Fund Managers.

Refer to table Q.

**2,159.61
Points**

The points at which the GSE-Composite Index closed at first quarter 2020

**GH¢55,985.55
Million**

The total market capitalization recorded at the end of first quarter, 2020

GH¢27,971,215,804.76

The total asset under management for the first quarter of 2020



WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT INVESTING ? TAKE A QUIZ

- 1** Every good investment plan starts with:
 - a. An interest in making money in addition to your salary
 - b. A clear statement of financial goals
 - c. An appointment with a Certified Financial Planner
 - d. A small investment in stock

- 2** What do you call a market experiencing declining stock prices and higher unemployment?
 - a. A bull market
 - b. A black market
 - c. A bear market
 - d. None of the above

- 3** What does “load” refer to in terms of mutual funds?
 - a. The sales charges added to a mutual fund when you purchase it
 - b. The percentage of your investments that are considered risky
 - c. The percentage of your investments that are considered low-yield and low-risk
 - d. None of the above

- 4** Which of the following investment tools is considered to be a speculative investment?
 - a. Real Estate
 - b. Mutual Fund
 - c. Savings Bond
 - d. Futures





“ENSURING INVESTOR PROTECTION”

GET IN TOUCH



No. 30, 3rd Circular
Road, Cantonments,
Accra.

Digital Address:
GL-076-6028



Toll Free Line - 0800100065
Main Line - 030768970-2



P.O. Box CT 6181
Cantonments, Accra.



www.sec.gov.gh
info@sec.gov.gh