

## STOCK RECOMMENDATION - JULY 25TH, 2022

#### **MARKET REVIEW**

#### For the week ended July 22nd, 2022.

- The Nigerian equities market ended the week on a negative note, as the All-Share index declined by 0.45% WoW, to close the week at 51,979.92pts. Consequently, the Year-to-Date return declined to 21.69% (vs. 22.24% prior week).
- The mood across sectors was mixed, as the NGXOILGAS and NGXINS gained 3.80% WoW and 1.81% WoW respectively, while NGXBNK (-4.06% WoW), NGXCNSMRGDS (-1.97% WoW) and NGXINDUSTR (-0.49% WoW) declined.
- Top gainer for last week was CORNERST, up by 26.32% WoW, while CAVERTON emerged as the week's top loser, declining by 16.79% WoW. UBA and MTNN led the chart as the most traded stock by volume and value respectively.

## MARKET PREVIEW

#### For the week commencing July 25th, 2022.

- We anticipate H1:2022 earnings releases and dividend declarations by companies to continue during the week. We note that this could lead to buying interest on counters with strong performance.
- However, we expect investors to favour the fixed income market, considering the recent hike in rate by the Monetary Policy Committee and the resultant increase in yields in the fixed income market.
- Thus, this week, we expect the market to sustain the bearish mood from last week in the equities market.

#### THE WEEK THAT WAS (A REVIEW)

			Cur. Week	Prev. Week						
NGXASI			51,979.92	52,215.12						
Market Cap [NGN'trn]			28.03	28.16						
Market Cap [USD 'bn]			66.90	67.20						
Volume Traded [bn]			0.87	0.50						
Value Traded [NGN'bn]			14.75	7.52						
	NSEASI & Sectoral Indices [Return Profile]									
	WtD	MtD	QtD	YtD						
NGXASI	-0.45%	0.31%	0.31%	21.69%						
NGX-30	-0.56%	-0.14%	-0.14%	9.45%						
NGX-B10	-4.06%	-4.51%	-4.51%	-6.46%						
NGX-FB10	-1.97%	-3.66%	-3.66%	2.02%						
NGX-OG5	3.80%	2.99%	2.99%	62.79%						
NGX-INS10	1.81%	-1.45%	-1.45%	-11.29%						
NGX-IND	-0.49%	-3.97%	-3.97%	2.91%						
Value (NGN)			Volume							
MTNN	2,161,689,840		UBA	191,889,975						
GTCO	2,132,406,410		GTCO	101,836,574						
NB	1,897,370,609		ACCESSCORP	61,897,338						
SEPLAT	1,684,356,346		FBNH	49,924,826						
UBA	1,422,948,347		ZENITHBANK	44,489,222						
Highest Gainers	%		Highest Losers	%						
CORNERST	26.32%		CAVERTON	-16.79%						
SEPLAT	10.00%		NAHCO	-16.41%						
LINKASSURE	9.43%		HONYFLOUR	-14.55%						
RTBRISCOE	8.11%		FTNCOCOA	-14.29%						
WEMABANK	6.68%		NB	-10.92%						



	Fundamentals						Trailing			Market Performance			Valuation					
	AT	NM	ROE	ROA	Lev	EPS	BVP	P/E	P/BV	Yr Hi	Yr Lo	YtD Return	Target PE	Exp. EPS	2022 TP	Last Wk. Pr	UPP	RT
Financial Services																		
Banks																		
ACCESSCORP	0.09	16%	15%	1%	11.02	4.64	30.84	1.96x	0.30x	10.40	9.05	-2.15%	2.21	5.43	11.99	9.10	+32%	BUY
ETI	0.09	16%	17%	1%	12.78	6.27	35.83	1.60x	0.28x	13.10	8.60	+14.94%	2.21	6.60	14.56	10.00	+46%	BUY
FCMB	0.09	10%	9%	1%	9.96	1.14	12.57	2.66x	0.24x	3.88	2.85	+1.00%	3.15	1.38	4.35	3.02	+44%	BUY
FIDELITYBK	0.08	13%	12%	1%	11.53	1.23	10.65	2.53x	0.29x	4.05	2.50	+21.57%	2.45	1.47	3.60	3.10	+16%	BUY
FBNH	0.09	21%	19%	2%	10.14	4.68	25.29	2.39x	0.44x	12.40	8.40	-1.75%	3.85	3.09	11.90	11.20	+6%	HOLD
GTCO	0.08	37%	19%	3%	6.05	5.86	30.88	3.54x	0.67x	28.00	20.30	-20.19%	3.92	7.80	30.61	20.75	+48%	BUY
STANBIC	0.07	27%	15%	2%	7.83	5.47	35.64	5.77x	0.89x	38.00	31.55	-12.36%	8.15	5.21	42.45	31.55	+35%	BUY
STERLNBANK	0.09	9%	9%	1%	10.96	0.49	5.27	3.06x	0.28x	1.73	1.40	-0.66%	3.10	0.47	1.46	1.50	-3%	HOLD
UBA	0.08	18%	15%	1%	10.76	3.57	24.15	2.05x	0.30x	8.85	7.30	-9.32%	2.36	3.87	9.15	7.30	+25%	BUY
UBN	0.07	9%	6%	1%	9.58	0.56	9.23	9.12x	0.55x	6.55	5.10	-13.56%	7.16	0.96	6.90	5.10	+35%	BUY
WEMABANK	0.08	10%	14%	1%	17.33	0.27	1.89	14.67x	2.11x	4.00	0.78	+454.17%	5.11	0.68	3.49	3.99	-13%	SELL
ZENITHBANK	0.08	31%	19%	2%	7.76	7.95	42.37	2.61x	0.49x	27.40	20.75	-17.50%	3.71	7.98	29.59	20.75	+43%	BUY
Insurance												-						
AIICO	0.33	11%	21%	4%	5.80	0.39	1.86	1.63x	0.34x	0.84	0.60	-8.57%	5.32	0.14	0.74	0.64	+16%	BUY
LASACO	0.49	3%	3%	2%	2.17	0.21	6.34	4.86x	0.16x	1.15	1.00	-3.81%	5.69	0.25	1.42	1.01	+41%	BUY
MANSARD	0.55	7%	12%	4%	3.03	0.23	1.91	8.49x	1.01x	2.60	1.90	-16.81%	6.05	0.46	2.77	1.93	+44%	BUY
NEM	0.73	16%	20%	12%	1.72	0.49	2.43	6.98x	1.40x	4.50	3.01	-24.44%	4.96	0.96	4.76	3.40	+40%	BUY
WAPIC (suspended)	0.41	-6%	-5%	-3%	1.80	-0.04	0.94	-9.33x	0.44x	0.53	0.40	-26.79%	-	-	-	0.41	<del>-</del>	UR
CORNERST	0.37	16%	14%	6%	2.40	0.16	1.13	4.42x	0.64x	0.75	0.50	+56.52%	3.20	0.21	0.67	0.72	-7%	HOLD
CUSTODIAN	0.43	12%	17%	5%	3.19	1.88	11.27	3.73x	0.62x	8.00	6.50	-11.39%	4.21	1.87	7.87	7.00	+12%	BUY

\*TP calculated with EV/EBITDA multiple; TP=Target Price, Last Wk. Pr= Last Week Price, CP= Current Price, UPP=Upside Potential, RT= Rating, Exp. EPS= 2021 Dec Expected EPS, BVP= Book Value Per Share, P/E=P/E, AT=Asset Turnover, OM=Operating Margin, NM= Net Margin, Lev=Leverage, UR=Under Review. Data in the Fundamental columns are based on trailing performance, Trading on ARDOVA and WAPIC have been suspended from the NGX till further notice.



# **Equity | Stock Recommendation**

			Fundamenta	Is			Trai	iling		Ma	arket Perform	nance		Valuation					
	AT	NM	ROE	ROA	Lev	EPS	BVP	P/E	P/BV	Yr Hi	Yr Lo	YtD Return	Target PE	Exp. EPS	2022 TP	Last Wk. Pr	UPP	RT	
Other Financial Services																			
UCAP	0.04	62%	50%	3%	19.45	1.99	3.98	6.40x	3.19x	14.15	9.95	+28.28%	6.50	2.33	15.15	12.70	+19%	BUY	
AFRIPRUD	0.21	41%	18%	9%	2.10	0.74	4.08	7.69x	1.38x	7.80	5.55	-11.02%	9.28	0.80	7.39	5.65	+31%	BUY	
Consumer Staples & Discretionary																			
Breweries																			
GUINNESS	0.81	3%	6%	3%	2.30	2.54	41.12	35.68x	2.20x	110.00	39.00	+132.05%	-	-	-	90.50	-	UR	
NB	0.90	4%	10%	4%	2.80	2.33	23.26	21.36x	2.14x	77.00	40.00	-0.50%	25.45	3.12	79.51	49.75	+60%	BUY	
INTBREW	0.43	-7%	-10%	-3%	3.29	-0.53	5.23	-10.10x	1.03x	9.75	4.40	+9.09%	-	-	-	5.40	-	UR	
Packaged Foods & Meats																			
BUAFOODS	0.57	21%	33%	12%	2.77	68.55	208.94	0.74x	0.24x	66.00	40.00	+27.00%	14.18	4.74	67.23	50.80	+32%	BUY	
CADBURY	0.94	5%	255%	5%	52.50	1.28	0.50	13.38x	34.17x	17.70	7.75	+94.32%	21.58	0.34	7.34	17.10	-57%	SELL	
DANGSUGAR	0.84	7%	18%	6%	2.79	1.86	10.59	8.59x	1.51x	18.30	15.50	-8.05%	8.10	2.95	23.90	16.00	+49%	BUY	
HONYFLOUR	0.90	1%	2%	1%	2.45	0.13	7.26	18.34x	0.32x	4.02	2.35	-30.88%	23.17	0.13	3.01	2.35	+28%	BUY	
FLOURMILL	1.48	3%	15%	4%	3.80	6.63	45.11	4.98x	0.73x	41.45	28.10	+16.40%	5.57	8.22	45.79	33.00	+39%	BUY	
NASCON	0.80	-4%	-11%	-4%	2.96	-0.60	5.67	-18.44x	1.94x	14.50	11.00	-16.67%	12.54	1.26	15.80	11.00	+44%	BUY	
NESTLE	1.16	12%	116%	14%	8.26	57.54	49.54	24.33x	28.26x	1,556.50	1,395.00	-10.05%	28.18	54.57	1,537.78	1,400.00	+10%	HOLD	
UACN	0.93	2%	5%	2%	2.24	0.89	17.87	12.61x	0.63x	14.50	8.90	+17.89%	12.48	1.21	15.16	11.20	+35%	BUY	
UNILEVER	0.64	-1%	-2%	-1%	1.72	-0.18	11.76	-82.94x	1.28x	15.50	12.20	+3.45%	27.13	0.56	15.07	15.00	+0%	HOLD	
Agricultural Products																			
OKOMUOIL	0.56	35%	36%	19%	1.86	16.53	45.65	13.12x	4.75x	216.90	127.80	+52.75%	11.74	18.72	219.73	216.90	+1%	HOLD	
PRESCO	0.34	45%	60%	16%	3.85	21.37	35.67	7.41x	4.44x	200.00	87.80	+80.41%	8.25	26.25	216.54	158.40	+37%	BUY	
Household & Personal Products																			
PZ	0.79	-10%	-20%	-8%	2.55	-1.71	8.76	-6.08x	1.19x	13.55	6.10	+70.49%	-	-	-	10.40	-	UR	
VITAFOAM	0.92	20%	44%	18%	2.46	4.57	10.35	4.92x	2.17x	25.00	20.25	0.00%	6.00	4.90	29.40	22.50	+31%	BUY	

Fundamentals	Trailing	Market Performance	Valuation



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	AT	NM	ROE	ROA	Lev	EPS	BVP	P/E	P/BV	Yr Hi	Yr Lo	YtD Return	Target PE	Exp. EPS	2022 TP	Last Wk. Pr	UPP	RT
Healthcare																		
Pharmaceuticals																		
MAYBAKER	0.70	8%	13%	6%	2.38	0.57	4.32	6.29x	0.83x	5.45	3.60	-10.45%	7.50	0.67	5.03	3.60	+40%	BUY
FIDSON	0.95	13%	31%	13%	2.44	2.20	7.13	4.50x	1.39x	12.30	6.22	+59.00%	5.20	3.02	15.70	9.89	+59%	BUY
GLAXOSMITH	0.99	4%	11%	4%	2.79	0.91	7.91	7.05x	0.81x	8.35	5.65	+7.56%	10.00	0.81	8.10	6.40	+27%	BUY
NEIMETH	0.44	5%	13%	2%	5.89	0.07	0.56	21.68x	2.84x	1.98	1.36	-8.57%	2.55	0.86	2.19	1.60	+37%	BUY
Materials																		
Construction Materials																		
BUACEMENT*	0.37	34%	23%	13%	1.82	2.98	12.73	23.27x	5.44x	74.25	68.00	+3.36%	18.34	4.35	76.13	69.30	+10%	HOLD
DANGCEM*	0.60	27%	37%	16%	2.33	22.93	61.93	11.56x	4.28x	300.00	249.30	+3.11%	6.86	50.78	333.38	265.00	+26%	BUY
WAPCO*	0.58	19%	15%	11%	1.35	3.69	24.59	6.54x	0.98x	31.75	21.80	+0.63%	6.46	5.61	38.65	24.10	+60%	BUY
Specialty Chemicals																		
САР	1.36	9%	31%	13%	2.50	1.99	6.33	8.55x	2.68x	22.40	17.00	-12.60%	12.38	1.32	16.34	17.00	-4%	HOLD
BERGER	1.06	4%	6%	4%	1.54	0.66	11.46	10.45x	0.60x	8.55	6.15	-19.88%	12.00	0.74	8.92	6.85	+30%	BUY
Energy																		
CONOIL	2.17	3%	14%	6%	2.47	4.63	32.20	5.60x	0.81x	34.25	21.30	+17.95%	7.57	3.83	28.96	25.95	+12%	BUY
ETERNA	1.93	-1%	-4%	-1%	3.78	-0.37	9.97	-18.59x	0.68x	8.00	4.99	+34.65%	-	-	5.79	6.80	-15%	SELL
ARDOVA (suspended)	2.93	-1%	-9%	-3%	3.60	-1.27	13.86	-10.29x	0.94x	15.20	11.55	+0.38%	8.21	2.08	17.08	13.05	+31%	BUY
MRS	2.02	0%	2%	1%	2.10	0.96	56.24	15.00x	0.26x	16.40	12.20	+17.00%	55.23	0.20	11.05	14.45	-24%	SELL
SEPLAT	0.20	14%	6%	3%	2.29	77.78	1,222.95	18.39x	1.17x	1,430.50	650.00	+120.08%	13.14	86.37	1,134.94	1,430.50	-21%	SELL
TOTAL	1.37	5%	40%	7%	5.88	53.78	135.71	4.36x	1.73x	264.90	221.90	+5.68%	5.60	60.98	341.51	234.50	+46%	BUY
Telecommunications																		
MTNN	0.71	18%	90.12%	13.10%	6.88	15.81	17.54	14.49x	13.06x	270.00	185.50	+16.24%	13.00	18.28	237.64	229.00	+4%	HOLD
AIRTELAFRI*	0.47	22%	30%	10%	2.95	114.89	383.44	16.58x	4.97x	1,905.40	955.00	+99.52%	3.91	296.33	1,159.11	1,905.40	-39%	SELL

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