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STOCK RECOMMENDATION - NOVEMBER 14, 2022

MARKET REVIEW

For the week ended November 11th, 2022.

- The Nigerian equities market ended the week with 0.68% WoW loss, as the All-Share Index declined to 43,968.75pts. Consequently, the Year-to-Date return decreased to 2.93% (from 3.63% the prior week).
- The negative performance of the broad market was reflected in the sectoral indices as all indices recorded WoW loss, save for the banking sector index (NGXBNK: +0.17%) which was the lone gainer.
- The top gainer for the week was UNITYBNK (+35.71% WoW), while PRESTIGE (-15.22% WoW) was the week's top loser. ACCESSCORP topped the activities chart as the most traded stock by both volume and value.

MARKET PREVIEW

For the week commencing November 14th, 2022.

- Existing macroeconomic headwinds in Nigeria, as well as the expectation of a higher inflation rate in the report to be released this week make for little or no attractive investment case for the Nigerian equities market.
- Furthermore, the tight system liquidity coupled with the expectation of a higher stop rate in this week's bond auction could lower flow of funds and activity levels in the Nigerian equities market.
- However, we note that some bellwether stocks present bargain-hunting opportunities. Nonetheless, the market sentiment is generally bearish.
- Thus we expect the market to close in the red zone this week.

THE WEEK THAT WAS (A REVIEW)

			Cur. Week	Prev. Week
NGXASI			43,968.75	44,269.18
Market Cap [NGN'trn]			23.95	24.11
Market Cap [USD 'bn]			53.73	54.09
Volume Traded [bn]			1.09	1.24
Value Traded [NGN'bn]			11.71	14.03
	NSEASI & Sector	ral Indices [Return Profile]		
	WtD	MtD	QtD	YtD
NGXASI	-0.68%	0.30%	-10.31%	2.93%
NGX-30	-0.82%	0.47%	-9.14%	-7.84%
NGX-B10	0.17%	-0.91%	-2.00%	-8.49%
NGX-FB10	-1.95%	-3.86%	-6.63%	-7.36%
NGX-OG5	-0.74%	-5.73%	-10.55%	31.78%
NGX-INS10	-2.25%	-3.85%	-8.87%	-22.45%
NGX-IND	-0.29%	5.04%	11.87%	-1.22%
Value (NGN)		Volum	e	
ACCESSCORP	2,413,687,222	ACCES	SCORP	299,952,879
GTCO	1,263,278,077	STERLI	NBANK	181,565,099
AIRTELAFRI	1,246,741,401	TRANS	CORP	95,993,983
ZENITHBANK	1,232,266,167	GTCO		71,830,304
FBNH	651,024,560	FBNH		65,213,042
Highest Gainers	%	Highes	st Losers	%
UNITYBNK	35.71	PREST	IGE	-15.22
ROYALEX	22.22	LEARN	AFRCA	-10.71
MRS	9.83	GUINN	IESS	-9.95
ETRANZACT	9.38	FLOUR	MILL	-9.90
GEREGU	8.50	JBERG	ER	-9.81



		Fund	amentals				Trailing			Mai	ket Perform	nance			Valu	ation		
	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	15%	17%	1%	13.00	4.93	29.11	1.63x	0.28x	10.40	7.50	-13.44%	2.23	4.64	10.36	8.05	+29%	BUY
ETI	0.09	16%	22%	1%	15.78	6.55	29.41	1.45x	0.32x	13.10	8.60	+9.20%	2.21	6.60	14.56	9.50	+53%	BUY
FCMB	0.08	10%	8%	1%	10.49	1.06	12.77	3.21x	0.27x	3.88	2.85	+13.38%	3.15	1.38	4.35	3.39	+28%	BUY
FIDELITYBK	0.08	12%	12%	1%	11.91	1.34	11.01	3.01x	0.37x	4.21	2.50	+58.82%	2.35	1.86	4.35	4.05	+7%	HOLD
FBNH	0.09	23%	23%	2%	11.03	5.62	24.89	1.83x	0.41x	12.40	8.40	-10.09%	3.85	3.09	11.90	10.25	+16%	BUY
GTCO	0.08	37%	20%	3%	6.66	5.97	29.66	2.94x	0.59x	28.00	16.85	-32.50%	3.78	6.09	23.02	17.55	+31%	BUY
STANBIC	0.07	28%	15%	2%	7.76	4.40	29.34	6.26x	0.94x	38.00	27.50	-23.61%	8.15	5.21	42.45	27.50	+54%	BUY
STERLNBANK	0.09	11%	12%	1%	12.15	0.61	5.19	2.33x	0.27x	1.73	1.37	-6.62%	3.10	0.47	1.46	1.41	+3%	HOLD
UBA	0.09	17%	16%	1%	10.76	3.80	24.15	1.89x	0.30x	8.85	6.55	-10.56%	2.36	3.87	9.15	7.20	+27%	BUY
UBN	0.08	10%	7%	1%	9.06	0.67	9.63	8.59x	0.60x	6.55	5.00	-2.54%	7.16	0.96	6.90	5.75	+20%	BUY
WEMABANK	0.09	9%	15%	1%	18.37	0.28	1.88	11.18x	1.68x	4.00	0.78	+45.83%	5.11	0.68	3.49	3.15	+11%	BUY
ZENITHBANK	0.07	35%	20%	3%	7.95	8.23	40.52	2.42x	0.49x	27.40	18.90	-20.68%	3.71	7.98	29.59	19.95	+48%	BUY
Insurance				-														
AIICO	0.30	10%	20%	3%	6.44	0.42	2.07	1.34x	0.27x	0.84	0.52	-20.00%	5.32	0.14	0.74	0.56	+33%	BUY
LASACO	0.51	1%	1%	0%	2.19	0.05	6.33	19.28x	0.14x	1.15	0.83	-17.14%	5.69	0.25	1.42	0.87	+64%	BUY
MANSARD	0.65	2%	6%	2%	3.76	0.09	1.57	16.79x	0.98x	2.60	1.50	-34.05%	6.05	0.46	2.77	1.53	+81%	BUY
NEM	0.73	19%	25%	14%	1.77	0.63	2.57	5.87x	1.44x	5.65	3.01	-17.78%	4.96	0.96	4.76	3.70	+29%	BUY
WAPIC	0.40	-7%	-6%	-3%	2.13	-0.05	0.86	-6.84x	0.42x	0.53	0.32	-35.71%	-	-	-	0.36	-	UR
CORNERST	0.39	16%	15%	6%	2.29	0.16	1.12	2.69x	0.39x	0.75	0.40	-4.35%	3.20	0.21	0.67	0.44	+53%	BUY
CUSTODIAN	0.47	11%	16%	5%	3.03	1.85	11.46	2.89x	0.47x	8.00	5.35	-32.28%	4.21	1.87	7.87	5.35	+47%	BUY

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			Fundamenta	als			Tr	railing		Ma	arket Performa	ince			Valu	uation		
	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	61%	49%	2%	20.05	2.17	4.42	5.58x	2.74x	14.15	9.95	+22.22%	6.50	2.33	15.15	12.10	+25%	BUY
AFRIPRUD	0.20	39%	18%	8%	2.22	0.79	4.52	6.74x	1.18x	7.80	5.00	-15.75%	9.28	0.80	7.39	5.35	+38%	BUY
Consumer Staples & Discretionary																		
Breweries																		
GUINNESS	0.96	7%	15%	7%	2.37	6.55	42.43	11.39x	1.76x	110.00	39.00	+91.41%	13.85	7.67	106.23	74.65	+42%	BUY
NB	0.94	4%	10%	3%	3.02	2.34	22.43	16.00x	1.67x	77.00	37.40	-25.20%	25.45	3.12	79.51	37.40	+113%	BUY
INTBREW	0.52	-3%	-5%	-2%	3.06	-0.24	5.06	-16.62x	0.79x	9.75	4.00	-19.19%	-	-	-	4.00	-	UR
Packaged Foods & Meats																		
BUAFOODS	0.61	21%	39%	13%	3.05	74.62	192.97	0.75x	0.29x	66.00	40.00	+39.75%	14.18	4.74	67.23	55.90	+20%	BUY
CADBURY	0.95	4%	15%	4%	3.72	1.28	8.26	8.01x	1.24x	17.70	7.75	+16.48%	15.41	1.00	15.41	10.25	+50%	BUY
DANGSUGAR	0.78	9%	22%	7%	3.35	2.58	11.63	6.31x	1.40x	18.30	15.30	-6.32%	8.10	2.95	23.90	16.30	+47%	BUY
HONYFLOUR	0.90	-6%	-18%	-5%	3.29	-1.10	6.19	-1.83x	0.32x	4.02	1.94	-41.18%	23.17	0.13	3.01	2.00	+51%	BUY
FLOURMILL	1.46	2%	11%	2%	4.74	5.09	47.82	5.36x	0.57x	41.45	27.00	-3.70%	5.57	8.22	45.79	27.30	+68%	BUY
NASCON	0.89	7%	21%	6%	3.35	1.30	6.21	7.32x	1.53x	14.50	9.50	-28.03%	12.54	1.26	15.80	9.50	+66%	BUY
NESTLE	1.13	11%	113%	12%	9.10	58.80	52.07	20.66x	23.33x	1,556.50	1,215.00	-21.94%	28.18	54.57	1,537.78	1,215.00	+27%	BUY
UACN	1.01	0%	0%	0%	2.22	0.00	16.75	1990.46x	0.54x	14.50	8.40	-5.26%	12.48	1.21	15.16	9.00	+68%	BUY
UNILEVER	0.72	-4%	-5%	-3%	1.84	-0.59	11.28	-16.85x	0.89x	15.50	9.95	-31.03%	27.13	0.56	15.07	10.00	+51%	BUY
Agricultural Products																		
OKOMUOIL	0.68	41%	52%	28%	1.85	23.61	45.35	7.18x	3.74x	216.90	127.80	+19.37%	11.74	18.72	219.73	169.50	+30%	BUY
PRESCO	0.45	33%	52%	15%	3.46	22.67	43.26	5.66x	2.97x	200.00	87.80	+46.18%	8.25	26.25	216.54	128.35	+69%	BUY
Household & Personal Products																		
PZ	0.93	6%	16%	6%	2.70	1.61	10.06	5.21x	0.83x	13.55	6.10	+37.70%	-	-	-	8.40	-	UR
VITAFOAM	1.22	13%	37%	16%	2.34	4.58	12.36	4.37x	1.62x	25.00	20.00	-11.11%	6.00	4.90	29.40	20.00	+47%	BUY

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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	0.84	8%	14%	6%	2.16	0.57	4.19	7.36x	1.00x	5.45	3.35	+4.48%	7.50	0.67	5.03	4.20	+20%	BUY
FIDSON	0.87	14%	32%	12%	2.68	2.50	7.87	3.66x	1.16x	12.30	6.22	+47.43%	5.20	3.02	15.70	9.17	+71%	BUY
GLAXOSMITH	1.03	3%	10%	4%	2.91	0.79	7.59	6.83x	0.71x	8.35	5.40	-9.24%	10.00	0.81	8.10	5.40	+50%	BUY
NEIMETH	0.43	2%	5%	1%	6.22	0.03	0.57	50.33x	2.41x	1.98	1.26	-21.14%	2.55	0.86	2.19	1.38	+59%	BUY
Materials																		
Construction Materials																		
BUACEMENT*	0.37	34%	24%	13%	1.87	3.19	13.57	17.71x	4.16x	74.25	47.85	-15.73%	18.34	4.35	76.13	56.50	+35%	BUY
DANGCEM*	0.67	23%	44%	15%	2.88	20.24	45.53	12.10x	5.38x	300.00	241.00	-4.67%	6.86	50.78	333.38	245.00	+36%	BUY
WAPCO*	0.59	18%	15%	11%	1.42	3.73	24.82	6.30x	0.95x	31.75	21.80	-1.88%	6.46	5.61	38.65	23.50	+64%	BUY
Specialty Chemicals																		
САР	1.46	9%	33%	14%	2.44	2.07	6.21	8.56x	2.86x	22.40	16.50	-8.74%	12.38	1.32	16.34	17.75	-8%	HOLD
BERGER	1.14	3%	6%	4%	1.53	0.63	11.18	9.49x	0.53x	8.55	5.95	-30.41%	12.00	0.74	8.92	5.95	+50%	BUY
Energy																		
CONOIL	1.83	3%	16%	6%	2.68	5.52	34.01	4.80x	0.78x	34.25	21.30	+20.45%	7.57	3.83	28.96	26.50	+9%	HOLD
ETERNA	1.73	0%	-2%	0%	4.39	-0.22	10.25	-29.28x	0.61x	8.00	4.99	+24.75%	-	-	5.79	6.30	-8%	HOLD
ARDOVA	1.75	0%	-1%	-1%	1.00	-0.82	97.49	-16.68x	0.14x	15.20	11.55	+5.77%	8.21	2.08	17.08	13.75	+24%	BUY
MRS	2.14	1%	3%	1%	2.07	1.77	57.53	8.10x	0.25x	16.40	12.20	+16.19%	55.23	0.20	11.05	14.35	-23%	SELL
SEPLAT	0.28	17%	9%	5%	1.92	116.00	1,244.81	10.35x	0.96x	1,430.50	650.00	+84.62%	13.14	86.37	1,134.94	1,200.00	-5%	HOLD
TOTAL	1.49	4%	39%	6%	6.08	51.03	129.78	4.14x	1.63x	264.90	211.10	-4.87%	5.60	60.98	341.51	211.10	+62%	BUY
Telecommunications																		
MTNN	0.72	19%	125.57%	13.39%	9.38	16.63	13.24	11.97x	15.03x	270.00	185.50	+1.02%	13.00	18.28	237.64	199.00	+19%	BUY
AIRTELAFRI*	0.38	11%	12%	4%	2.88	49.50	402.93	36.37x	4.47x	2,040.00	955.00	+88.48%	3.91	296.33	1,159.11	1,800.00	-36%	SELL



*TP calculated with EV/EBITDA multiple.	BVP= Book Value Per Share
TP=Target Price	P/E=P/E
Last Wk. Pr= Last Week Price	AT=Asset Turnover
CP= Current Price	OM=Operating Margin
UPP=Upside Potential	NM= Net Margin
RT= Rating	Lev=Leverage
Exp. EPS= 2022 Dec Expected EPS	UR=Under Review

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