



# SEPTEMBER 2022

## 1. FUND PERFOMANCE

AVERAGE	2021	SEPTEMBER 2022 (ANNUALIZED RETURN)	*PERFORMANCE SINCE INCEPTION (07-OCTOBER-2019)
Cytonn High Yield Fund (CHYF)	14.4%	13.9%	13.8%
Benchmark (Average 182 day T- Bill + 5.0% points)	<b>12.6</b> %	14.6%	12.9%

\*Historical Percentage you can expect to earn with the fund during one year of investment on basis of the so far realized monthly returns

### 2. FUND MANAGER'S REPORT AND OUTLOOK

#### **Fund Objective**

The Cytonn High Yield Fund is a specialized Collective Investment Scheme with exposure skewed towards investment in real estate assets. The Fund aims at capital preservation while earning high returns and maintaining sufficient liquidity. The Fund aims to achieve above average returns that not only beat inflation but are also better than the yields offered by both government securities and fixed deposits.

#### **Portfolio Strategy**

The fund will largely be invested in fixed income and real estate related securities. Being a specialized Fund, the Fund can invest up to 80.0% in Real Estate funds, but to ensure sufficient diversification, no single investment should be more than 25.0% of the portfolio unless in special cases.

#### **Economic report and outlook**

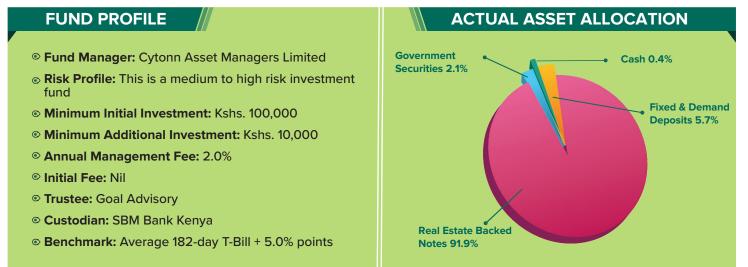
According to Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS) Quarterly Gross Domestic Product Report, the Kenyan economy recorded a 6.8% growth in Q1'2022, up from the 2.7% growth recorded in Q1'2022, pointing towards continued economic recovery. The biggest gainer in terms of sectoral contribution to GDP was agriculture, increasing by 2.8% points to 23.3% from 20.5% Q1'2021, while public administration was the biggest loser, declining by 1.9% points to 4.7% in Q1'2022, from 6.6% in Q1'2021. The accommodation and food services sector recorded the highest growth rate in Q1'2022 growing by 56.2% compared to the 33.3% contraction recorded in Q1'2021 mainly attributable to the relaxation of most COVID – 19 travel and other restrictions which saw activity in the sector increase. The Real Estate sector recorded a growth of 6.1% in Q1'2022 compared to a 4.9% growth in Q1'2021. The performance was attributable to the increased development activities on the back of a general improvement in Real Estate transactions and an improved business environment as compared to Q1'2021.

During the month, yields on the shorter dated Government papers recorded mixed performance, with the average yields on the 182-day and 91-day papers increasing by 0.2% points and 0.3% points to 9.6% and 8.9% respectively, while yields on the 364-day paper remained relatively unchanged at 9.9%. Additionally, the Kenyan Shilling depreciated by 0.6% against the US Dollar to close the month at Kshs 120.7, from Kshs 120.0 recorded at the end of August 2022, mostly attributable to increased dollar demand from energy and merchandise importers.

August 2022 inflation rate came in at 8.5%, up from 8.3% in July 2022. The inflation rate remains worryingly above the government target range of 2.5%-7.5%, mainly attributable to increasing food and fuel prices.

#### **Portfolio Performance**

The Cytonn High Yield Fund delivered an average return of 13.9% p.a. beating the inflation rate of 8.5% in the month of August to deliver positive real returns.



Disclaimer: Past performance is not a guarantee of future performance and the value of the fund will fluctuate from time to time.