



Fund Allocation Report September 30<sup>th</sup> 2023

# The Immortelle Income and Growth Fund

Fund Size: TT\$61,386,774

Investment Objective: To generate income returns combined with medium to long-term capital appreciation while maintaining acceptable levels of risk. This fund invests in debt and equity instruments denominated in both TT and US dollars..

## Fund Facts

Minimum Investment	NAV Type	Fund Type	Dividend Distribution	Last Dividend Date	Last Dividend
TT\$500	Floating	Open-Ended	Semi-Annually	April 20 <sup>th</sup> 2023	TT \$0.04

## Average Annualized Returns

as of June 30<sup>th</sup> 2023

1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Returns from inception (August 2005)
4.86%	2.91%	2.65%	3.49%

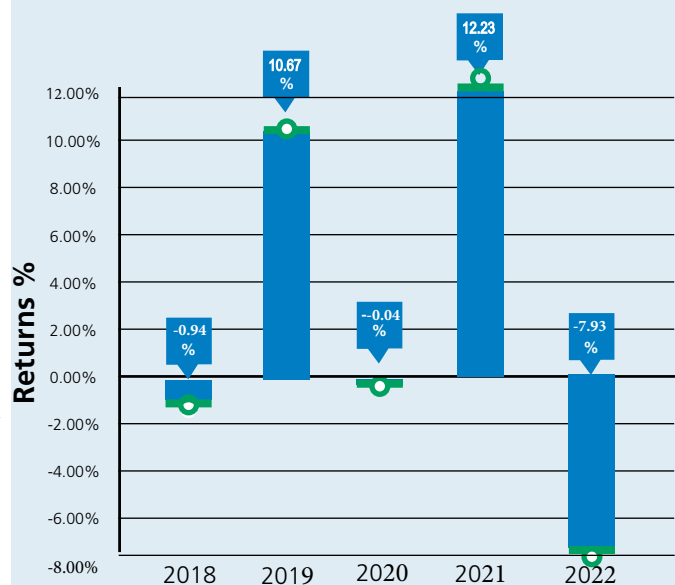
## Market Update

In local markets, the third quarter saw the Cross Listed Index posting the only gain of +0.75% whilst the All T&T index and Composite Index continued its Q-o-Q losing streak down -0.88% and -0.55% respectively. As it relates to sector performance, the Manufacturing II sector lead gains at 19.01%, followed by Conglomerates at +5.35% and Non-Banking Finance at +2.59%. All other sectors posted losses with Energy registering the largest decline of -28.33%. The local economy saw further deceleration of headline inflation easing from 4.7% in July 2023 to 4.1% in August 2023 (Y-o-Y). This was attributed to price movements in food inflation which slowed to 5.6% while core inflation (excluding food items) remained at 3.7% from the previous month. As at the end of August 2023, banking system liquidity remained ample for the year with commercial banks excess reserves at the Central Bank reaching a daily average of \$6.3 billion. The short term interest rate differential between Trinidad and Tobago and the United States narrowed as domestic rates edged up and the Fed paused its rate increase in September. This interest rate differential also narrowed on the longer term. The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) agreed to maintain the repo rate at its current level of 3.5% whilst noting both international uncertainties as well as the steady revival of the local economy. On the U.S front, both stocks and bonds registered negative returns as Central Bank tightening continued with raised interest rates. Investor optimism of a Fed orchestrated soft landing withered over the quarter as the Fed's message of higher-for-longer interest rates set the tone. Most major stock indices registered negative returns with the S&P 500 losing -3.65%, the Dow Jones Industry Average down -2.62% and the Nasdaq composite down -4.12%. The quarter saw the Federal Reserve hike rates by another +25 basis points in July, bringing Federal Funds rate to a range of 5.25% to 5.50%. Treasury yields rose across the curve with bond yields soaring above long-term historical averages. All sectors with the exception of Energy (+11.33%) and Telecommunications (+2.84%) posted negative returns. The Utilities sector led the declines down -10.10% and value stocks outperformed its growth counterparts across all caps in Q3, 2023. Whilst noting the volatile investment landscape and the long-term investment objective of this Fund, the Fund Manager's strategy is centred on optimizing long term return potential and limiting reactions to short-term swings in order to maximize returns. This makes it possible to filter out market noise and focus on longer term fundamentals.

## Historical Performance

Calendar year Jan-Dec

### Annual Return



## Management Expense Ratio (MER)

The Fund's MER as at the end of June 2023 was 2.06%. This means that for every \$1,000 dollars invested \$20.64 went towards paying for the management of the Fund. The MER is the percentage of the annual fees plus the annual expenses, divided by the average net assets of the fund. The Trust Deed of the fund allows for the Investment Management fee of no more than 2.5% per annum (p.a.), the Trustee fee of 0.25% p.a., the Distribution fee of 0.25 p.a.



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Top 10 Credit Exposure		Top 10 Individual Holdings	
Issuer	% of Portfolio	Issuer	% of Portfolio
GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	30.71	ALLIANZ GLOBAL INVESTORS EQUITY FIRST	17.25
ALLIANZ GLOBAL INVESTORS	17.25	CITIZENS GROUP CASH ACCOUNTS	9.64
FIRST CITIZENS GROUP	16.95	FIRST CITIZENS GROUP FIN COMMON STK	4.55
REPUBLIC FINANCE HOLDINGS LIMITED	4.51	REPUBLIC BANK LIMITED COMMON STK	4.51
SCOTIA BANK TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	2.38	GOTT TT\$1,000M 4.10% FXRB DUE 14.02.25	3.38
ANSA GROUP OF COMPANIES	2.21	COP - GOTT TT\$2000M TRIPLE TRANCHE FXRB	2.76
AGOSTINI LIMITED	1.40	GOTT TT\$2,000,000,000 FXRB DUE 23.09.33	2.72
ISHARES N AMERICA TECH SOFT	1.28	GOTT TT\$500M @ 4.31% FXRB DUE 11.06.31	2.48
CINEMA ONE	1.21	SCOTIABANK T'DAD & T'BGO COMMON STK	2.38
NVIDIA CORPORATION	1.14	ANSA MC AL LIMITED COMMON STK	2.21

Percentages are rounded to 2 decimal points.

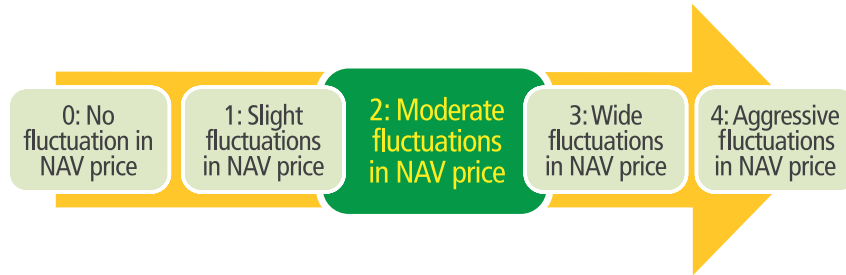
Exposure		
By Assets	By Region	By Currency
31.06% TTD Bonds	64.98% Trinidad & Tobago	60.98% TTD
20.76% TTD Equity	17.25% Europe	38.37% USD
9.13% TTD Cash	16.96% North America	0.65% CAD
0.04% TTD Mutual Funds	0.81% Caribbean	
33.88% USD Equity		
3.87% USD Bonds		
0.62% USD Cash		
0.65% CAD Equity		

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Risk Level



The Immortelle Income and Growth Fund carries a moderate risk level with moderate fluctuations in the Net Asset Value of the Fund.

Past performance is not an indicator of future returns. The Prospectus should be read in its entirety before investing and is available upon request at all First Citizens Branches. Investments in the Fund are not deposits and are not insured by the Deposit Insurance Corporation, nor guaranteed by the CBTT, First Citizens, any of its subsidiaries or any person or corporation.