

Metropolitan Money Market Fund

TAXED

Risk profile-Conservative

METROPOLITAN

March 2022

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The investment fund is a low risk, domestic only, fixed income portfolio which aims to outperform the Short Term Fixed Interest (STeFI) Index before fees over year rolling periods. This portfolio is suited to investors with a low risk profile seeking a competitive yield without compromising on liquidity or capital invested.

MARKET INDEX RETURNS

	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
STEFI Composite Index	1,03%	2,02%	3,94%	5,23%	6,08%

INVESTMENT RETURN

	3 Months	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Money Market Fund	1,23%	1,23%	4,59%	5,94%	6,94%	7,56%
Strategic Benchmark	1,03%	1,03%	3,94%	5,23%	6,08%	N/A

QUARTERLY COMMENT

The SARB MPC continued with its gradual rate hiking cycle, hiking the repo rate by 25bp to 4.25% in March which was in line with market expectations. The last MPC meeting took place against a backdrop of heightened uncertainty about the direction of the oil price, global growth and inflation and a more aggressive frontloaded rate hiking trajectory by the Fed. We forecast the repo rate to lift by a total of 75bps in 2022 and this assumes increments of 25bps at three of the remaining meetings.

The fund continues to invest in short term fixed income instruments issued by banks, SA government and SA corporates. Its interest rate risk is currently around 90 days which allows the fund manager to re-invest at higher rates as the bank funding rates and yield curve reset.

For the quarter, the Fund performance exceeded benchmark.

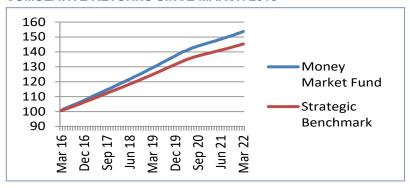
PORTFOLIO MANDATE

To achieve the desired investment outcome, the fund invests in domestic money market instruments with a term shorter than 13 months. A focus on diversification of credit risk, high liquidity and management of interest risk makes this fund an attractive alternative to traditional call accounts and fixed deposits.

ASSET ALLOCATION (Strategic benchmark)

Local Cash 100,00%

CUMULATIVE RETURNS SINCE MARCH 2016



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