



# ANNUAL REPORT

JUNE 2024

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### **Key Highlights FY2024**



5,983
Number of Unitholders



12.24%

**Total Returns to Unitholders** 



\$9.34M

**Total Dividend Distributed** 



**Total Income** 



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**Total Portfolio** 



\$224M

**Net Assets** 



\$1.85

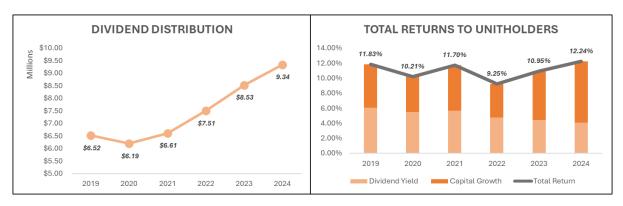
**Closing Unit Price** 

#### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

It is with pleasure that we present the Annual Report of the Trust for the financial year ending 30 June 2024. Despite the challenges encountered during the year, the Trust sustained its positive performance and continued to provide significant returns to its 5,983 unitholders, marked by a total dividend distribution of SAT\$9.34 million.

#### TRUST TOTAL RETURNS TO UNITHOLDERS

The Trust's Net Income from Operations supported a declared dividend of SAT\$0.075sene per unit, equating to a dividend yield of 4.05%. This distribution amounted to SAT\$9.34 million for active unitholders at the end of the financial year. Additionally, the equity portfolio's favorable performance generated an 8.19% appreciation in unit value. As a result, the total return for unitholders, comprising of both dividend yield and capital gains, was 12.24%, reflecting a 1.29% increase compared to the prior financial year.



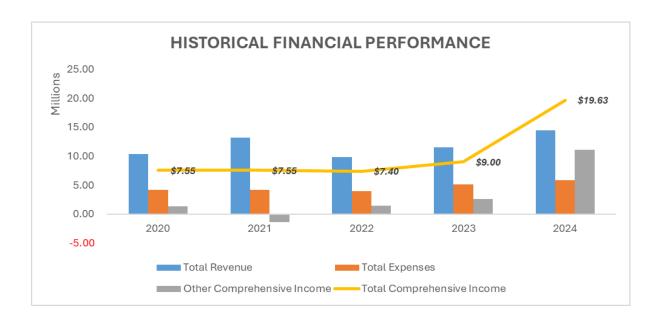
#### **FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

The Trust's Total Income rose by 25% to SAT\$14.41 million compared to the previous year. This growth was primarily driven by higher dividends from equity investments made early in the financial year, which offset a decline in interest income due to limited new lending during the same period. Additionally, the Trust's partial divestment of its shareholding in Amalgamated Telecommunications Holdings (ATH) contributed to a notable increase in Other Income.

Expenses increased by 15% year-on-year, mainly due to higher interest costs on convertible notes issued to support the Trust's investment pipeline, as well as an increase in Manager's Fees, which reflected the growth in the Trust's Net Assets.

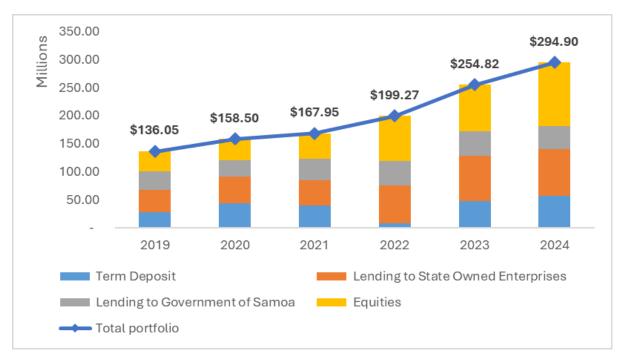
Other Comprehensive Income, reflecting changes in the fair value of both local and offshore equity portfolios, surged by 329% compared to the previous year. This substantial growth was a major factor in the month-on-month increase in the Trust's unit price.

Overall, the Trust delivered strong financial results, with Total Comprehensive Income for the year exceeding the previous year by SAT\$10.00 million.



#### **INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO**

As of the end of June, the total investment portfolio stood at SAT\$294 million, representing a 16% increase compared to the previous year.



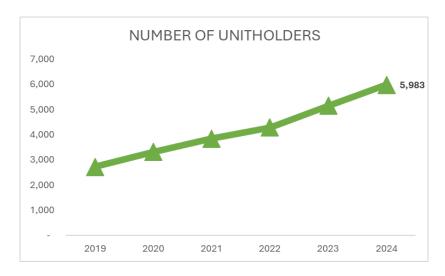
With limited local lending opportunities, the Trust has strategically shifted its focus toward regional listed equity investments to achieve sustainable, long-term results for its unitholders. The equity portfolio performed strongly during the financial year, generating over SAT\$4.00 million in dividend income alongside a significant SAT\$11.03 million gain from the fair value appreciation of investments.

Currently, the Lending Portfolio remains the primary source of income for dividend distributions. The Trust is actively pursuing opportunities to expand lending both to its existing stakeholders and potentially to its unitholders.

To optimize overall portfolio returns and manage risk, the Trust will continue diversifying into alternative asset classes. We remain committed to rigorous investment monitoring to safeguard the long-term financial interests of our unitholders while maximizing returns.

#### **UNITHOLDERS**

The confidence of both the local population and the global diaspora in UTOS has steadily grown, reflected in a 16% increase in unitholders, reaching 5,983 compared to 5,148 in the previous year. The Trust remains committed to engaging the community through rural outreach programs, radio and television talk shows, and pre-departure briefings for individuals participating in seasonal employment schemes. Recognizing the impact of social media, the Trust continues to enhance its digital marketing efforts to attract new unitholders annually. Furthermore, the Trust prioritizes maintaining high-quality client services to ensure strong unitholder retention.



#### **UNITS REGISTRY**

During the financial year, activity on the unit registry remained robust, with a total of 29.50 million units sold, valued at SAT\$51.65 million. This strong sales volume indicates sustained investor interest from both local and diaspora markets. Unit redemptions were also significant, totaling 11.50 million units worth SAT\$20.18 million. These redemptions were primarily driven by unitholders' need for cash to meet personal commitments or to fund projects they had been saving for over time. Overall, the registry saw a net increase of 18 million units during the 2024 financial year.



Trading prices consistently rose month by month throughout the year, starting at SAT\$1.71 per unit in July and closing at SAT\$1.85 per unit by year-end, reflecting the positive performance of the Trust's investment portfolio.

#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Trust continues to enhance its digital services to provide improved service delivery for its unitholders. During the financial year, the Digicel MyCash App<sup>1</sup> was added to the expanding range of digital payment gateways available for unitholders to conveniently top up their accounts.

Recognizing the growing cyber threats, the Trust remains committed to maintaining robust cybersecurity measures to protect unitholder information. Consequently, the Management Company has been actively upgrading critical infrastructure and software to ensure continuous resilience. These upgrades were further complemented by the approval and implementation of a new Incident Response Plan during the financial year.

The Trust stays vigilant, implementing prudent risk mitigation strategies to safeguard unitholder data from cybersecurity threats while adapting proactively to the evolving digital landscape.

#### **GOVERNANCE**

The Board of Directors of Unit Trust of Samoa (Management) Limited and the Trustees of the Unit Trust of Samoa (Trust) continue to play a vital role in steering the strategic growth of the Trust while upholding its commitment to exemplary corporate governance standards.

The Board of Directors oversees the governance framework, ensuring full compliance with all relevant laws, regulations, and best practices. This approach promotes transparency in governance and decision-making, fosters long-term value creation, and maintains the trust and confidence of all unitholders.

Meanwhile, the Trustees fulfill their fiduciary duties by working closely with the Management Company to protect and safeguard the interests of the unitholders.

#### **FUTURE OUTLOOK**

As we look forward to the financial year 2025 and beyond, we recognize that the Trust will continue to face challenges in an investment landscape where opportunities remain limited. Nevertheless, this will not deter our commitment to actively seek and capitalize on commercially viable opportunities that drive sustainable returns for our unitholders.

The Trust will also focus on expanding its unitholder base and raising community awareness about the benefits UTOS offers. Additionally, we will ensure that our digital systems remain strong, resilient against cyber threats, and capable of quickly adapting to any unforeseen disruptions.

Achieving these goals depends on prioritizing the ongoing development of our staff, empowering them to effectively execute the strategies and tasks ahead. We remain dedicated to building on

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Digicel MyCash App is a mobile wallet available for Digicel mobile users. It allows the unitholder to purchase units directly from the app using their mobile phones.

the strong foundation established, working towards a prosperous future for the Trust and its unitholders.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We sincerely acknowledge and appreciate the steadfast support and trust of our unitholders over the years. We are also grateful to the Government of Samoa, as well as all local and overseas stakeholders, whose contributions have been instrumental to the sustainable growth of the Unit Trust of Samoa.

We also thank the Board of Directors and the Trustees for their invaluable guidance. Last but not least, we extend our gratitude to the Management and Staff of the Management Company, whose dedication and hard work in managing the daily operations of the Trust have been essential throughout the year.

Ma le fa'aaloalo tele,

Seulupe Michelle Macdonald

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ACTING CHAIRPERSON UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA

(MANAGEMENT) LTD

Tufeao Fa'atuai Pulepule Fanolua

**DIRECTOR** 

UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA

(MANAGEMENT) LTD

**TRUSTEES' REPORT** 

It is with pleasure that we provide this report (in our role as Trustees of the Unit Trust of Samoa) to

the Unit-holders as part of the 14th Annual Report covering the 2023/2024 financial year.

Under the Unit Trust Act 2008 (the "Act") and Trust Deed, we are vested with the investments and

other properties of the Unit Trust of Samoa, to hold in trust on behalf of the Unit-holders. This is the

internal control mechanism which provides for a Trustee, acting on behalf of the Unit-holders,

independently of the Management Company. This requirement is made to ensure that all relevant

transactions and reports affecting Unit-holders' funds are made in compliance with the provisions

of the Master Trust Deed 2010, Amending Deed 2017 and the Act.

During the year we have worked closely with the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer and

staff of the Management Company in accordance with the Trust Deed and the Act, and with policies

we agreed to with the Management Company. We have ensured that the Management Company

has followed the requirements for investing the Trust funds in compliance with the Central Bank of

Samoa Prudential Guidelines for Unit Trusts.

We are satisfied that the Management Company is exercising the principles of accountability and

transparency in its task of investing the Unit-holders' funds.

**Acknowledgements:** 

We join the Management Company in acknowledging the support from the Government of Samoa

in promoting the investment portfolio of the Unit Trust among State Owned Enterprises (SOEs).

We extend our appreciation to the Chairman of the Management Company, his Board of Directors,

Chief Executive Officer and staff, for their hard work and dedication during the year.

Our sincere thanks to all Unit-holders for their trust and confidence placed in our role as Trustees

of their investments.

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Taito John Roache

Director

TAFAILAGI TRUSTEE COMPANY LTD

Luana von Reiche Roache

Director

TAFAILAGI TRUSTEE COMPANY LTD

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## UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA (TRUST) CERTIFICATION BY TRUSTEE AND MANAGER FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

We certify that the attached financial statements for the Unit Trust of Samoa (Trust) comprising of the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash flows and Notes to the financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) give a true and fair view of the results of the Trust for year end;
- b) have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards;
- c) all related party transactions have been adequately recorded in the books of the Trust;
- d) at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Trust will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due; and
- e) comply with the Public Finance Management Act 2001, Unit Trust Act 2008 and the Trust Deed.

We are not aware of any circumstances which would render any particulars included in the financial statements to be misleading or inaccurate.

We authorise the attached financial statements for issue on16/05/2025 on behalf of the Directors of the Trustee company and Directors of the Management company; the Unit Trust of Samoa (Management) Ltd.

Trustee

Sculupe Michelle Macdonald Manager

UTOS Management Company Ltd Ania, Samoa

16,05,2025

Unit Trust of Samoa (Trust)

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

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AH CHONG Public Accountants

**Chartered Accountants** 

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA (TRUST)

#### **Audit Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Unit Trust of Samoa (Trust) for the year ended 30 June 2024 consisting of the statement of financial position, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flow for the year then ended, together with explanatory notes thereto which includes a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Unit Trust of Samoa (Trust) as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### **Basis of Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Trust in accordance with ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Samoa, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our audit opinion.

#### Responsibilities of the Manager and Trustee for the Financial Statements

The Manager and Trustee are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, Public Finance Management Act 2001, Unit Trust Act 2008 and the Trust Deed, and for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Manager and Trustee are responsible for assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Trust or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

## INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT (cont'd) TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA (TRUST)

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (cont'd)

As part of an audit in accordance with these International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also;

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements whether due to fraud or
  error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is
  sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material
  misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve
  collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are
  appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of
  the Trust's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Trust to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the
  disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a
  manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Manager and Trustee regarding, among other matters, the significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

#### Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required. In our opinion the Trust has kept proper accounting records, as far as appears from our examination of them and the financial statements of the Trust also complies with the Public Finance Management Act 2001, the Trust Act 2008 and the Trust Deed.

Apia, Samoa

Date: 16/5/2025

Su'a Rimoni Ah Chong (Principal)

Chartered Accountant

Ah Chong Public Accountants

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# UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA (TRUST) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$	2022 \$
EQUITY		•	•	•
Unitholder's Fund 124,541,035 units fully paid (2023: 106,563,522)		203,926,130	171,945,818	149,076,061
Reserves	3	21,154,690	10,121,842	7,547,090
Retained earnings		(285,674)	457,086	2,554,431
		224,795,146	182,524,747	159,177,582
Represented by:				
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	4	25,671,080	22,703,631	9,798,682
Financial assets at amortized cost	5	159,607,769	149,488,366	113,957,234
Financial assets held at fair value through OCI	6	113,306,379	83,447,078	80,872,326
		298,585,227	255,639,075	204,628,242
LIABILITIES				
Payables & Accruals	8	1,581,119	452,065	442,835
Dividend payable	10	9,340,577	8,525,082	7,505,503
Due to Government	11	1,580,000	2,370,000	3,160,000
Convertible & Promissory Notes	12	61,288,386	61,767,182	34,342,322
		73,790,082	73,114,329	45,450,660
NET ASSETS		224,795,146	182,524,746	159,177,582

 ${\it The\ accompanying\ notes\ form\ an\ integral\ part\ of\ the\ above\ financial\ statement.}$ 

On behalf of UTOS (Management) Ltd

- Fund Manager;

On behalf of the Trustee;

Seulupe Michelle Macdonald

Manager

## UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA (TRUST) STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
INCOME			
Dividends		4,724,620	2,282,644
Interest	7	8,545,312	9,187,910
Gain on Foreign Exchange		-	-
Other Income	15	1,142,271	32,332
Total Income		14,412,203	11,502,886
EXPENSES			
Audit fee		22,600	22,200
Bank fees & charges		675	472
Expected Credit Loss(write back)	5	38,463	18,708
Interest on convertible notes		2,251,985	1,710,463
Investment expense		11,743	83,553
Loss on unit withdrawals		709,480	726,735
Manager's fees	13	2,779,440	2,513,018
Total Expenses		5,814,386	5,075,149
Net Income from operation		8,597,817	6,427,737
Plus Other Comprehensive Income:			
Gain/(Loss) on Fair Value Equity Investments	6	13,658,075	2,655,659
Gain/(Loss) on Foreign Exchange	6	(2,625,227)	(80,908)
		11,032,848	2,574,751
Total Comprehensive Income for the Year		19,630,665	9,002,488

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the above financial statement.

# UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA (TRUST) STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Unitholders Fund	2024 \$	2023 \$
Balance at beginning of the year	171,945,818	149,076,061
Subscriptions from Unitholders	51,658,092	35,787,054
Redemptions by Unitholders	(19,677,780)	(12,917,297)
Balance as at 30 June	203,926,130	171,945,818
Reserves		
Balance at 30 June 2022		7,122,811
Prior Period adjustment for exchange gains/(losses)-note	6(a)	424,279
Restated balances at beginning of the year	10,121,842	7,547,090
Plus (Minus):		
Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	11,032,848	2,574,752
Balance as at 30 June	21,154,690	10,121,842
Retained Earnings		
Balance at 30 June 2022		2,978,710
Prior Period adjustment for exchange gains/(losses)-note	6 <u>(a)</u>	(424,279)
Restated balances at beginning of the year Add:	457,086	2,554,431
Net profit for the year	8,597,817	6,427,737
Reserve Realised transferred from Reserves	-	-
Less:		
Dividend declared .075 sene per unit (2023: 0.08 sene)	(9,340,577)	(8,525,082)
Balance as at 30 June	(285,674)	457,086
Total Equity	224,795,146	182,524,747

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the above financial statement.

# UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA (TRUST) STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		\$	\$
Cash was applied to:			
Dividend paid		(8,526,082)	(7,505,497)
Operating expenses	_	(2,319,082)	(2,606,606)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	-	(10,845,164)	(10,112,103)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was provided from(applied to):			
Interest		123,133	103,884
Dividends received		4,724,620	2,782,644
Cash was applied to:			
Movement in term deposits		(5,410,297)	(23,211,667)
Movement in Capital Notes/ Due from Government		6,235,571	(3,923,005)
Movement in Investment Securities		-	-
Investment in ATH International Ventures		-	-
Investment in BSP Financial Group		(17,984,183)	-
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from investing activities	- -	(12,311,156)	(24,248,144)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was provide from(applied to):			
Due to Government		(790,000)	(790,000)
Movement Convertible & Promissory Notes		(2,735,465)	25,826,703
Subscriptions from Unit Holders		50,144,593	35,989,269
Redemption to Unit Holders		(20,495,359)	(13,760,776)
Interest on notes		-	
Net cash (outflow) inflow from financing activities	-	26,123,769	47,265,196
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH		2,967,449	12,904,949
THE THOREAGE/(DEONEAGE) IN CASH		2,307,443	12,504,545
Cash at Banks at beginning of year		22,703,631	9,798,682
Cash and cash equivalents	4	25,671,080	22,703,631

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the above financial statement.

## UNIT TRUST OF SAMOA (TRUST) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **Date of Formation**

The Trust was established on the 9th July 2010

Unit Trust of Samoa ("Trust") is a unit trust incorporated and domiciled in Samoa. The address of its registered office and principal place of business is Level 3, Development Bank of Samoa Building, Apia.

#### **Principal activity**

The trust is an investment vehicle that allows investors' monies to be pooled with other unitholders' monies that in return are re-issued with units and become unit holders in the unit trust. The pooled funds in the trust are then invested by the Unit Trust of Samoa (Management) Ltd, the "Fund Manager" in accordance with the investment guidelines contained in the prospectus and investment policy manual.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (a) Statement of Compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, and required by the Unit Trust Act 2008 and Trust Deed.

#### (b) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been presented in Samoan tala, which is the Trust's functional currency, rounded to the nearest tala. The financial statements are prepared on the basis of fair value measurement of assets and measurement at amortized cost for liabilities except where otherwise stated.

#### (c) Basis of Accounting - Going Concern

Notwithstanding recent novel conronavirus (COVID-19) global outbreak and significant economic uncertainties resulting there from, the financial statements of the Trust have been prepared on a going concern basis. The directors consider the application of the going concern principle to be appropriate in the preparation of these financial statements as they believe with the plans and strategies put in place by the Trust, the Trust will generate and maintain required funding to meet its liabilities and commitments as and when they fall due over the next twelve months. Accordingly, directors believe that the classification and carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities as stated in the financial statements to be appropriate.

#### (d) Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires the Manager and Trustee to exercise judgment in the process of applying the Trust's accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. These estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The critical judgments and assumptions made in applying the accounting policies of the Trust have been disclosed under notes 2(g) and 6.

#### (e) Financial assets

#### (i) Recognition and initial measurement

Trade receivables and debt securities issued are initially recognised when they are originated. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised when the Trust becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

A financial asset (unless it is a trade receivable without a significant financing component) or financial liability is intially measured at fair value plus, for an item not at FVTPL, transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue. A trade receivable without a significant financing component is initially measured at the transaction price.

#### (ii) Classification and subsequent measurement

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amotised cost; FVOCI - debt investment; FVOCI - equity investment or FVTPL

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Trust changes its business model for managing financial assets in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on first day of the reporting period following the change in the business model.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows;
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

A debt investment is measured at FVOCI if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL;

- it is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets;
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding;

On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held for trading, the Trust may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in the investment's fair value in OCI. This election is made on an investment by investment basis;

A.ll financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost or FVOCI as described above are measured at FVTPL. This includes all derivatives finanical assets. On initial recognition, the Trust may irrevocably designate a finanical asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at FVOCI at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwire arise.

Financial assets: Business model assessment

The Trust makes an assessment of the objective of the business model in which a financial asset is held at a portfolio level which best reflects the way the business is managed and information is provided to management. The information considered includes:

- the stated policies and objectives for the portfolio and the operation of those policies in practice.
   These include whether management's strategy focuses on earning contractual interest income,
   maintaining a particular interest rate profile, matching the duration of the financial assets to the
   duration of any related liabilities or expected cash outflows or realising cash flows through the sale
   of assets;
- how the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Trust's management;
- the risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and how those risks are managed;
- how managers of the business are compensated e.g. whether compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or the contractual cash flows collected;
- the frequency, volume and timing of sales of financial assets in prior periods, the reasons for such sales and expectations about future sales activity.

#### (e) Financial assets (continued)

#### (ii) Classification and subsequent measurement

Transfers of financial assets to third parties in transactions that do not qualify for derecognition are not considered sales for this purpose, consistent with the Trust's continuing recognition of the assets. Financial assets that are held for trading or are managed and whose performance is evaluated on a fair value basis are measured at FVTPL.

Financial assets: Assessment whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest.

For the purposes of this assessment, 'principal' is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. Interest is defined as consideration for the time value of money and for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs (liquidity risk and administrative costs), as well as a profit margin. In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, the Trust considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making this assessment, the Trust considers:

- contigent events that would change the amount or timing of cashflows;
- terms that may adjust the contractual rate, including variable rate features;
- prepayment and extension features; and
- terms that limit the Trust's claim to cash flow from specified assets (e.g. non-recourse features)

A prepayment feature is consistent with the solely payments of principal and interest criterion if the prepayment amount substantially represents unpaid amounts of the principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, which may include reasonable additional compensation for early termination of the contract.

Financial assests: Reclassifications

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their recognition, except in the period after the Trust changes its business model for managing financial assets.

Financial assets: Subsequent measurement and gains and losses

#### Financial assets at FVTPL

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Net gains and losses, including any interest or dividend income are recognised in profit or loss.

#### Financial assets at amortised cost

These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income, foreign exchanges gains and losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.

#### Debt investment at FVOCI

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Interest income calculated using the effective interest method, foreign exchange gains and losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI. On derecognition, gains and losses accumulated in OCI are reclassified to profit or loss.

#### Equity investments at FVOCI

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Dividends are recognised as income in profit or loss unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI and are never reclassified to profit or loss.

#### (iii) Derecognition

#### Financial Assets

The Trust derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Trust neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

#### (e) Financial assets (continued) (iii) Derecognition

#### Financial Assets

The Trust enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised in its statement of financial position, but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the transferred assets. In these cases, the transferred assets are not derecognised.

#### Financial liabilities

The Trust derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled, or expire. The Trust also derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flow of the modified liability are substantially different, in which case a new financial liability based on the modified terms are recognised at fair value.

On derecognition of a financial liability, the difference between the carrying amount extingused and the consideration paid (including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed) is recognised in profit or loss.

#### (iv) Modifications of financial assets

If the cash flows of the modified asset carried at amortised cost are not substantially different then the modification does not result in derecognition of the financial asset. In this case, the Trust recalculates the gross carrying amount of the financial asset and recognises the amount arising from adjusting the gross carring amount as a modification gain or loss in profit or loss. If such a modification is carried out because of financial difficulties to the borrower, then the gain or loss is presented together with impairment losses.

#### (v) Offsetting

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Trust currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the amounts and it intends either to settle them on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### (f) Impairment of Financial Instruments

#### Financial instruments

The Trust recognises loss allowances for expected credit losses (ECLs) on financial assets measured at amortised cost. No impairment loss is recognised on equity investment as these are measured at fair value.

The Trust measure loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECL as well as 12 months ECL as follows:

- bank balances for which credit risk (i.e. the risk of default occurring over the expected life of the financial instrument) has not increased significantly since initial recognition.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECL, the Trust considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Trust's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward-looking information.

The Trust assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due.

The Trust considers a financial asset to be in default when:

- Trust to actions such as realising security (if any is held); or
- the financial asset is more than 90 days past due.

The Trust considers a debt security to have low credit risk when its credit risk rating is equivalent to the generally understood definition of "investment grade".

Lifetime ECLs are the ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument.

12 months ECLs are the portion of ECLs that result from default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or a shorter period if the expected life of the instrument is less than 12 months)

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLS is the maximum contractual period over which the Trust is exposed to credit risk.

#### (f) Impairment of Financial Instruments (continued)

#### Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are measured on either of the following bases:

- 12-month ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from possible default events within the
   12 months after the reporting date; and
- lifetime ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from all possible default events over the expected lives of the items to which the ECL model applies

#### Measurement of ECLs (continued)

Loss allowances for trade receivables, other receivables and investment securities are measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. ECLs on these financial assets are estimated using a provision matrix based on the Trust's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors such as the collateral or security for the asset.

#### Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Trust assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost are credit impaired. A financial asset is credit impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit impaired includes the following observable data:

- significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- a breach of contract such as a default or being more than 90 days past due;
- the restructuring of a loan or advance by the Trust on terms that the Trust would not consider otherwise:
- it is probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- the disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties.

Presentation of allowance for ECL in the statement of financial position.

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets.

#### Write-off

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially of in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Trust determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amount subject to the write-off. However, financial assets that are written off could still be subject to enforcement activities in order to comply with the Trust's procedures for recovery of amounts due.

#### (g) Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between maket participants or, in its absence the most advantageous market to which the fund has access at that date. Consistent with established practice, listed equity investments are measured at the closing share price or unit price on the market.

When available, the Trust measures the fair value of an instrument using the quoted price in an active market for that instrument. A market is regarded as "active" if transactions for the asset or liabilities take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an on-going basis. The fair value of other unlisted equities is estimated with the assistance of Independent valuers approved by the Manager and Trustee as per the investment policy. In line with the investment policy, the valuation of unlisted equities are performed by management annually and by an independent valuer every three years.

Where possible, the valuations use applicable price earnings ratios for similar listed companies, adjusted to reflect the specific circumstances of the issuer and may be based on following methodologies:

- 1. Discount Cashflow Model (DCF)
- 2. Net Tangible Asset Approach (NTA)
- 3. Future Maintainable Earnings Method (FME)
- 4. Capitalization of Dividends Method (CoD)

#### (g) Fair Value Measurement (continued)

If there is no quoted price in an active market, then the Trust uses valuation techniques that maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The chosen valuation technique seeks to incorporate all of the factors that market participants would take into account in pricing a transaction. The Trust recognizes transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy as at the end of the reporting period during which the changes have occurred.

#### (h) Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised and measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable to the extent it is possible that the economic benefits will flow to the Trust and the revenue can be reliably measured. Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method. Dividend income for listed or quoted securities is recognised when a market announcement is made, for unlisted and private equity holdings, dividend is recognised when it is formally notified that dividend is declared and the right to receive dividends is established.

#### (i) Manager's remuneration

Management fees are standard fees stated under the terms of the Trust Deed and based on 1.3% of the value of the Trust's Net Asset. This is payable after month end and is calculated on the net asset value of the unit trust at month end.

#### (j) Trustee's fee

A review of the Trustee fee was done by Mangement and the Board approved on the 31 January 2018 for the Trustee fee to be paid by the Management Company. The Trustee currently receives a fee of \$30,000 per annum plus 0.5% of the Trust comprehensive profit.

#### (k) Income tax

Under the Income Tax Amendment Act 2013, Part A (1)(v) the income of the Unit Trust of Samoa, the Unit Trust (Management) Limited or any other subsidiary of the Unit Trust of Samoa; is not subject to income tax.

#### (l) Vagst

The Trust main activity relates to financial services which is exempt supply. Where applicable expenses are recognised inclusive of vagst, and revenue such as interest and dividend are exempt from vagst.

#### (m) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises of cash balances at bank and excludes any term deposits regardless of maturity period.

#### (n) Other receivables and accrued income

Other receivables include receivable amounts for sale of units by the "Management Ltd" plus dividend receivables, and accrued interest on term deposits.

#### (o) Payables

Payables are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods and services recorded, whether or not billed to the Trust and include outstanding settlements on the purchase of investment. Payables are stated at cost as they are expected to be settled within next twelve months.

#### (p) Borrowings

As per Trust deed, borrowing by the Trust shall not exceed 75% of the value of its assets. Currently, total borrowing is 24% of the value of its assets.

#### (q) Unitholder's Funds

Unitholders' funds are classified as equity instruments.

#### (r) Translation of Foreign Currencies

Foreign currency transactions during the year are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction date. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the end of the reporting period. Exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss or OCI depending. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. The transaction date is the date on which the company initially recognises such non-monetary assets or liabilities. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are stated at fair value are translated using the foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates the fair value was measured.

#### (s) Comparative information

Comparative information has been restated where necessary to achieve consistency in disclosure with current financial year amounts, and facilitate appropriate comparison.

#### 3. RESERVES

Reserves consists of the movements in fair value of equity investments classified as fair value through comprehensive income that are not available for distribution to unit holders until realized. Movement in reserves are shown in statement of changes in equity. Dividend income on these equity investments are recognized as revenue in the profit and loss.

National Bank of Samoa         4,631         4,656           National Bank of Samoa (overnight)         14,246,425         9,441,865           BSP Dividend Account         (345)         -           Total cash and cash equivalents         25,671,080         22,703,631           5. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT AMORTIZED COST         31,000,000         25,000,000           Loans and receivables:         3,814,230         1,253,284           Other receivables         3,814,230         1,253,284           Interest receivables         383,288         41,541           State Owned Enterprises (SOEs)         82,861,668         80,575,796           Government of Samoa         42,058,224         43,088,922           Deduct Provision Expected Credit Loss         (509,640)         (471,177           Total financial assets at amortized cost         11,837,818         12,893,965           Non-current         11,837,818         12,893,965           Movement per Provision Expected Credit Loss         (471,177)         (452,469           Write back on ECL / (Addition on ECL)         (38,463)         (18,708           Bad debts written off against provision         -         -         -           Closing balance         (509,640)         (471,177	4. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	2024	2023
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	Bad debts written off against provision		
Total financial assets at amortized cost	Closing balance	(509,640)	(471,177)
	Total financial assets at amortized cost	159,607,769	149,488,365

#### 6. FINANCIAL ASSETS HELD AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	2024	2023
(a) Listed Equities	\$	\$
Unit Trust of Fiji	19,446,080	9,732,449
ATH	9,298,013	16,599,244
BSP Financial Group	40,177,273	13,896,212
(b) Unlisted Equities		
Vodafone Samoa - 25% shareholding	15,801,224	14,853,151
ATH International Ventures	21,470,746	21,505,377
Samoa Submarine Cable Company 20%	7,113,043	6,860,645
Financial Assets Held at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income	113,306,379	83,447,078

#### **Determining Fair Values**

The trust measures fair values using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements:

Level 1: Quoted market price (unadjusted) in active market for an indentical instrument.

**Level 2:** Valuation technique based on observable inputs, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices). This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active market for similar instrument; quoted prices for identical or similar instrument in the market that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly observable in the market, and are derived from market prices or rates or are estimated based on assumptions.

Level 3: Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This catergory includes all instruments where the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted price for similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumption are required to reflect differences between the instruments. Fair values of financial assets that are traded in active markets are based on quoted prices or dealer price quotations. For unlisted equity investments, the Trust determines fair values using valuation techniques. Some or all of the significant inputs these valuations use may not be observable in the market, and are derived from market prices or rates or are estimated based on assumptions.

Valuation models that employ significant unobservable inputs require a higher degree of management judgment and estimation in the determination of fair value. Management judgement and estimation are usually required for selection of the appropriate valuation model to be used and any key assumptions used in those valuation models such as appropriate price/earnings ratio. The Trust uses price/earnings ratios and other key assumptions based on observable inputs and adjusts these to reflect risks specific to the underlying investment and the Samoa environment such as size risk, country risk, liquidity risk etc.

J. Vila Holdings (CAANZ) conducted the independent valuation for FY2021.

The table below analyses financial assets measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period, by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorized:

	Level 1	Level 3	Total	Total
Opening balance	40,227,905	43,219,173	83,447,078	80,872,326
Additional investments	17,984,183	-	17,984,183	-
Disposal	-	842,270	842,270	-
Gain/(Loss) on FV revaluation - OCI	12,481,539	1,176,536	13,658,075	2,655,659
Foreign exchange gain/(Loss) - OCI	(2,614,531)	(10,696)	(2,625,227)	(80,907)
Balance at year end	68,079,096	45,227,283	113,306,379	83,447,078

#### 6a. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICY - FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAINS/LOSSES ON EQUITY INVESTMENTS

Given that Foreign Exchange movements are not realized until an investment is disposed and it relates to long whose fair value movements are recognised as Other Comprehensive Income, the Board has therefore approved the adjustment of the treatment of Foreign Exchange movements to be an OCI item as opposed to a P&L item in line with IAS21 Section 30. In light of this and in accordance with the relevant accounting standards, this change in accounting policy has been applied retrospectively. The prior period financial statements have been restated to reflect the new accounting treatment of foreign exchange gains/losses on equity investments. As a result, adjustments have been made to the comaparative figures in the balance sheet, statement of comprehensive income and statement of changes in equity.

7. INTEREST INCOME	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Interest on Term Deposits	931,469	329,134
Other Interest Income	123,098	102,860
Interest on Capital Notes	4,400,255	5,534,331
Interest on Government Loans	3,090,489	3,221,585
	8,545,312	9,187,910
8. PAYABLES & ACCRUALS	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Audit fee	15,270	22,600
Interest on Convertible Notes	214,157	218,806
Other payables & accruals	1,351,692	210,659
Total payables and accruals	1,581,119	452,065
9. DIVIDEND PAYABLE	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Dividend payable	9,340,577	8,525,082
Final dividend was declared for unitholders as per Trust board meeting on the 4th July 2	024 for the financial	
year ended 30 June 2024.		
10. DUE TO GOVERNMENT	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Current	790,000	790,000
Non - Current	790,000	1,580,000
	1,580,000	2,370,000
The balance is owed to Government for the 25% of Vodafone Samoa shares. The repayr	nent commenced on the	
1st July 2016 until it is fully paid. Repayment is \$65,833 per month.		
11. CONVERTIBLE AND PROMISSORY NOTES	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Convertible Notes	-	-
Promissory Notes	61,288,386	61,767,182
Total Convertible & Promissory notes	61,288,386	61,767,182
These represents a major source of funding for the Trust and are in effect a form of loan	, with fixed term	

#### 12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

convert into units.

#### Manager

The Manager of the Trust is the Unit Trust of Samoa (Management) Limited.

The directors of the management company are:

- a) Magele Arthur Penn
- b) Tufeao Fa'atuai Pulepule Fanolua
- c) Lemalu Patricia Ah Chong Fruen
- d) Seulupe Michelle Macdonald
- e) Salote Peteru

#### Manager's fees

Under the terms of the Trust Deed, the Manager is entitled to receive manager's remuneration approved by both the Trustee and the Manager. The approved managers fee is 1.3% of the Trust's net asset value. This is payable at month end and is calculated on the Trust Net Asset at month end.

and interest rate. The convertible notes includes an equity conversion feature for the note holder to

#### Trustee

The current Trustee of the Trust is "Tafailagi Trustee Company Ltd".

The present directors of the Trustee Company are:

- a) Taito John Roache
- b) Luana Roache

All transactions with related parties are conducted on normal commercial terms and conditions.

#### 12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES (continued)

	2024	2023
Major Transactions with related parties	\$	\$
Managers fees	2,779,440	2,513,018
Board, Management & Staff - Unit balances	1,961,659	1,243,480
Owing by Related Parties		
Net amount due from/(to)Managers	2,162,539	1,042,625

#### 13. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trust's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including interest rate risk, credit risk, performance risk and price risk), liquidity risk and operational risk. The Trust's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Trust's focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets financial performance. The Manager has the overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Trust's risk management framework. The Trust's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Trust, to be set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and the Trust's activities.

#### Market risk

#### i) Interest rate

This is the risk borne by interest bearing assets such as term deposits and capital notes due to the changes in interest rates. Through its investment policy the Trust aims to balance its portfolio through short term deposits, capital notes and medium to long term Government bonds. At the reporting date the interest rate profile of the Trust's interest-bearing financial instruments was:

Capital Notes	82,861,667	80,037,637
Government of Samoa loan	42,058,224	43,627,080
Term deposits	31,000,000	25,000,000
	155,919,891	148,664,717

#### ii) Credit risk

This refers to the risk of losing investment funds due to companies, banks and financial institutions the Trust has deposits with and providing short term capital notes defaulting on their repayments of interest and principal. For deposits with banks and financial institutions, only reputable parties with known sound financial standing are accepted. The Trust minimizes credit risk by conducting thorough due diligence on any investments it makes, using the Government General Guarantee capped at 50 million SAT. The total expenditure of credit risk in the Trust's portfolio is as follows:

Total Gross	294.897.350	254.815.426
Listed and unlisted equities	113,306,379	83,447,078
Cash and term deposits at bank	56,671,080	47,703,631
Government of Samoa loan	42,058,224	43,627,080
Capital Notes	82,861,668	80,037,637

The Trust only issues Capital Notes to State Owned Enterprises.

#### iii) Performance risk

This risk relates to the performance of the investment in which the Trust has invested. The return on a particular investment such as a share is affected by the performance of the issuer of the investment. Different investments tend to perform differently under the same operating environment. Therefore the Trust at all times will try to have different types of investments in its portfolio.

#### 13. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

#### (iv) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Trust will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Trust aims to maintain a buffer fund in liquid assets at all times to meet expected normal redemptions. Under the Trust Deed, the manager, with the concurrence of the Trustee, may suspend the redemption of units for such time as may be necessary to realise sufficient liquid funds to meet any unusual redemption requests. The table below analyses the Trust's financial assets into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance date to the contractual maturity date. The amount s disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	No Specific	Less than 6	Between 6	
As at 30 June 2024	Maturity	months	months & 1 year	Total
Cash & Cash equivalents	-	25,671,080	-	25,671,080
Term Deposits	-	31,000,000	-	31,000,000
Investment Securities	124,919,891	4,197,518	-	129,117,409
Listed & Unlisted equities	113,306,379		<u> </u>	113,306,379
	238,226,270	60,868,597	-	299,094,868
	No Specific	Less than	Between 6 months &	
As at 30 June 2023	Maturity	6 months	1 year	Total
Cash & Cash equivalents	-	22,703,631		22,703, <u>6</u> 31
Term Deposits	-	25,000,000	-	25,000,000
Investment Securities	124,421,384	538,159	-	124,959,543
Listed & Unlisted equities	83,447,078			83,447,078
	207,868,462	48,241,789	<u> </u>	256,110,252

#### (v) Operational risk

#### i) Data risk

This is the risk of losing information including unit holder account details even though there is dual system storage of a hard copy filing system and electronic database. The Manager ensures confidentiality and security of all unit holders information. The Trust has developed a Unit Registry System to store information. Daily backups of electronic information are being done by the Management and Staff.

#### ii) Legal risk

Legal risks refer to the risk of being legally non compliant due to changes in Government and Regulators current policies and regulations. All processes and applications are endorsed by the Attorney General's Office including Prospectus and the Trust Deed.

#### iii) Operational risk

Operational risk is defined as the risk arising from the Trust's and its related entities business functions and from the practical implementation of the Manager's strategy for growing the Trust. The Manager has developed a three year strategic plan and annual key performance indicators to ensure performance of the Trust. The Manager also conducts third party due diligence on new investments before recommending any investment to Trustees.

14 OTHER INCOME	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Commitment fee	300,000	-
Gain on disposal Equity Investment (note 15)	842,271	-
Administration fees	-	32,332
	1,142,271	32,332

#### 15. GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF EQUITY INVESTMENT

This relate to a swap of shares between Amalgamated Telecom Holdings Limited (ATH) and Unit Trust of Fiji (UTOF) where UTOF acquired \$3m of shares from ATH. - Note 14.

#### 16. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Trustee and the Manager are not aware of any contingent liabilities at year end. (2023:SAT\$Nil)

#### 17. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

Cabinet as per FK (17)25 dated 12 July 2017 approved the construction of a new office building for the Samoa High Commission Office Wellington New Zealand estimated \$25m and the funding of this project to be provided by UTOS. As at 30 June 2023, project has been completed and repayment will be in effect in July2023.

Cabinet FK(23)20 dated 24 March 2023 activated government guarantee. Awaiting consultation with MoF, UTOS board of directors have proposed a revised terms and conditions for the SAW loan. As of July 2023, interest rate is reduced to 5% and penalty fees have been reversed from January 2023 to May 2023. Monthly repayment will commence July 2023 at \$362,762 per month.