CIF Trust Funds: Participation in a new Investment Tranche

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Current Investment Strategy

- Assets held in trust by the World Bank (as Trustee) are pooled in a commingled investment portfolio.
- The investments are primarily in high grade fixed income assets and money market securities, according to the World Bank's prudent investment guidelines.
- The liquid assets of CIF Trust Fund are invested across investment tranches according to its liquidity requirements in order to optimize investment returns.

Current market environment

 Interest rates have reached historical lows in the US and other major markets

History of the yield on 2 year US Treasury securiteis



FY12 Changes in the Trust Fund Investment Strategy

- To provide more investment options for funds with liquidity levels that are <u>significant in size and stable over</u> <u>a long period of time</u>., the World Bank has developed a new investment strategy
- Option to participate in a new investment class
 - 5-year investment horizon which will include a <u>limited</u> allocation to public developed market equities
- A more diversified portfolio, including <u>limited allocations</u> of public developed market equities, *provides the* prospect for enhancing investment returns over the medium and longer term.

Comparison of a fixed income only portfolio vs. fixed income plus equities

