



Wealth Management & Financial Services

MONTHLY INVESTMENT NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2021

6

Issues

\$118.05M

Raised

5

Issues
Oversubscribed

4

Equity Issuers
with Trading
Activity

\$145.61

ECSE
Share Index

ISSUER ACTIVITIES

1. Debt Securities

a. Securities issued during the month:

1. The Debt Market featured 6 issues originating from 5 Governments of the 8 ECCU territories, this compared to:
 - a. 7 issues during the same period in 2020 by 5 issuers.
 - b. 3 issues last month.
2. ECCU Governments sought to raise a total of \$121.90M and was successful in raising \$118.05M.

5 of the 6 issues were oversubscribed with a total of \$28.79M in unsatisfied bids.
3. 5 issues closed below the maximum rate offered; with a 3.02 percentage point variance being the widest margin between offered and closing rate.

One issue closed at the maximum rate offered.
4. The securities offered were primarily short-term, between 91 days and 365 days; with 1 long-term instrument having a tenor of 7 years.

Table 1: Debt Instruments issued during the month of December 2021

DATE	SYMBOL	ISSUER	INSTRUMENT	AUCTION VALUE	MATURITY	YIELD	MAX RATE	SUBSCRIPTION
08/12/2021	VCB100322	Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines	91-day Treasury Bill	\$28,000,000	10/03/2022	2.00%	3.50%	Oversubscribed
09/12/2021	GDB101222	Government of Grenada	365-day Treasury Bill	\$15,000,000	10/12/2022	3.50%	5.00%	Oversubscribed
10/12/2021	AGB110622	Government of Antigua and Barbuda	180-day Treasury Bill	\$15,000,000	11/06/2022	3.00%	4.00%	Oversubscribed
15/12/2021	DMB170322	Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica	91-day Treasury Bill	\$20,000,000	17/03/2022	1.98%	5.00%	Oversubscribed
23/12/2021	FLG061227	Government of St. Lucia	7-year USD Bond	\$7,000,000	24/12/2027	7.00%	7.25%	Oversubscribed
28/12/2021	LCB270622	Government of St. Lucia	180-day Treasury Bill	\$21,148,000	27/06/2022	4.00%	4.00%	Undersubscribed

b. Payments during the month:

Issuers made (through the Eastern Caribbean Securities Exchange) 48 scheduled payments, as per the agreed terms and conditions for 30 instruments, issued both publicly and privately; which comprised of:

8

Redemptions
(repayment in full of
debt instruments)

25

Coupon
Payments

15

Amortization
Payments

c. Default Reports:

There were no reports of default by issuers during the period.

[Please click this link
for detailed listing of
payments](#)

2. Equity Securities

a. The Equities Market continued to host 13 issuers of securities.

b. There were 4 issuers with trading activity during the month: BON, ECFH, SKNB and TDC.

1. BON – A total of 829 shares traded at \$3.50 per share, unchanged from its closing price at the end of November
2. ECFH – A total of 50 shares traded at \$3.75 per share, down \$0.25 from its closing price at the end of November
3. SKNB – A total of 29,559 shares traded at \$2.80 per share, unchanged from its closing price at the end of November
4. TDC – A total of 6,740 shares traded at a low of \$1.25 per share and a high of \$1.30 per share and closed at \$1.25 per share, down \$0.05 from its closing price at the end of November.

Table 2: Closing Prices of Equities as at December 31, 2021.

SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	CLOSING PRICE
BON	The Bank of Nevis Ltd.	\$3.50
BOSV	Bank of St. Vincent and the Grenadines Ltd.	\$9.06
CWKN	Cable and Wireless St. Kitts & Nevis Ltd.	\$3.90
DES	Dominica Electricity Services Ltd	\$3.50
ECFH	Eastern Caribbean Financial Holdings Company Ltd.	\$4.00
GCBL	Grenada Co-operative Bank Limited	\$8.88
GESL	Grenada Electricity Services Ltd.	\$11.50
GPCL	Grenreal Property Corporation Limited	\$5.40
RBGL	Republic Bank (Grenada) Limited	\$45.00
SKNB	St. Kitts Nevis Anguilla National Bank Ltd.	\$2.80
SLES	St. Lucia Electricity Services Ltd.	\$20.00
SLH	S. L. Horsford & Co Ltd.	\$2.00
TDC	St. Kitts Nevis Anguilla Trading & Development Company Ltd.	\$1.25

ISSUER HIGHLIGHTS

1. Debt Issuers

a. DOMINICA

New legislation expected to enhance fiscal responsibility in Dominica's public finances

Dominicans can expect that going forward, long-term resilience, stability and sustainability will be consistent features of the country's public finances.

A bill to adopt the Rules-Based Fiscal Responsibility Framework was passed during the Second Meeting of the Second Session of the Tenth Parliament.

The Fiscal Responsibility Framework aims to foster broad-based, inclusive and sustainable economic growth and development through the implementation of sound fiscal policies and the reduction of the debt-to-gross domestic product ratio to a sustainable level. The framework supports Dominica's commitment to attain a debt to GDP target of 60% by 2035, as part of the Eastern Caribbean Currency Union.

[Click the link for further details;](#)

★ <https://dominicanewsonline.com/news/homepage/news/new-legislation-expected-to-enhance-fiscal-responsibility-in-dominicas-public-finances/>

b. GRENADA

National Public Debt estimated at EC\$2.06 billion for 2021

At the end of 2021, Central Government's debt is estimated to be EC\$2.06 billion, of which external debt amounts to EC\$1.50 billion and domestic debt EC\$ 0.56 billion. Total debt service for the year is estimated to be \$ 367.8 million or 40.3% of revenue.

That's among the findings in the executive summary of the Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy (MTDS) 2022-2024, which was recently laid in the Houses of Parliament as part of the documents of reference for the 2021 Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure.

Following a sharp decline in output of 13.8% in 2020, occasioned by the Covid-19 pandemic, the economy is anticipated to show recovery signs in 2021. "The pace of recovery is contingent largely on global recovery and the path of the pandemic. Growth is expected to average 4.3% over the medium term (2022-2024)," said the Strategy. "The fiscal sector is projected to improve over the medium term on the assumptions of: (i) modest increases in total revenue, consistent with the projected economic activity; and (ii) deliberate measures (approved by the Cabinet) to contain discretionary expenditure and improve the strategic orientation and prioritisation of expenditure to safeguard medium-term fiscal and debt sustainability."

[Click the link for further details;](#)

★ <https://www.nowgrenada.com/2021/12/national-public-debt-estimated-at-ec2-06-billion-for-2021/>

2. Equity Issuers

a. Issuers with published Annual Reports during the period:

- Grenada Co-operative Bank Limited (GCBL) – with Annual General Meeting proposed for January 13, 2022



b. Issuers with a financial year end during the period:

- Dominica Electricity Services Ltd. – December 31, 2021
- Grenreal Property Corporation Limited – December 31, 2021
- St. Lucia Electricity Services Ltd. – December 31, 2021
- Bank of St. Vincent and the Grenadines Ltd. – December 31, 2021
- Grenada Electricity Services Ltd – December 31, 2021
- Cable and Wireless St. Kitts and Nevis – December 31, 2021
- Eastern Caribbean Financial Holdings Company Ltd. – December 31, 2021

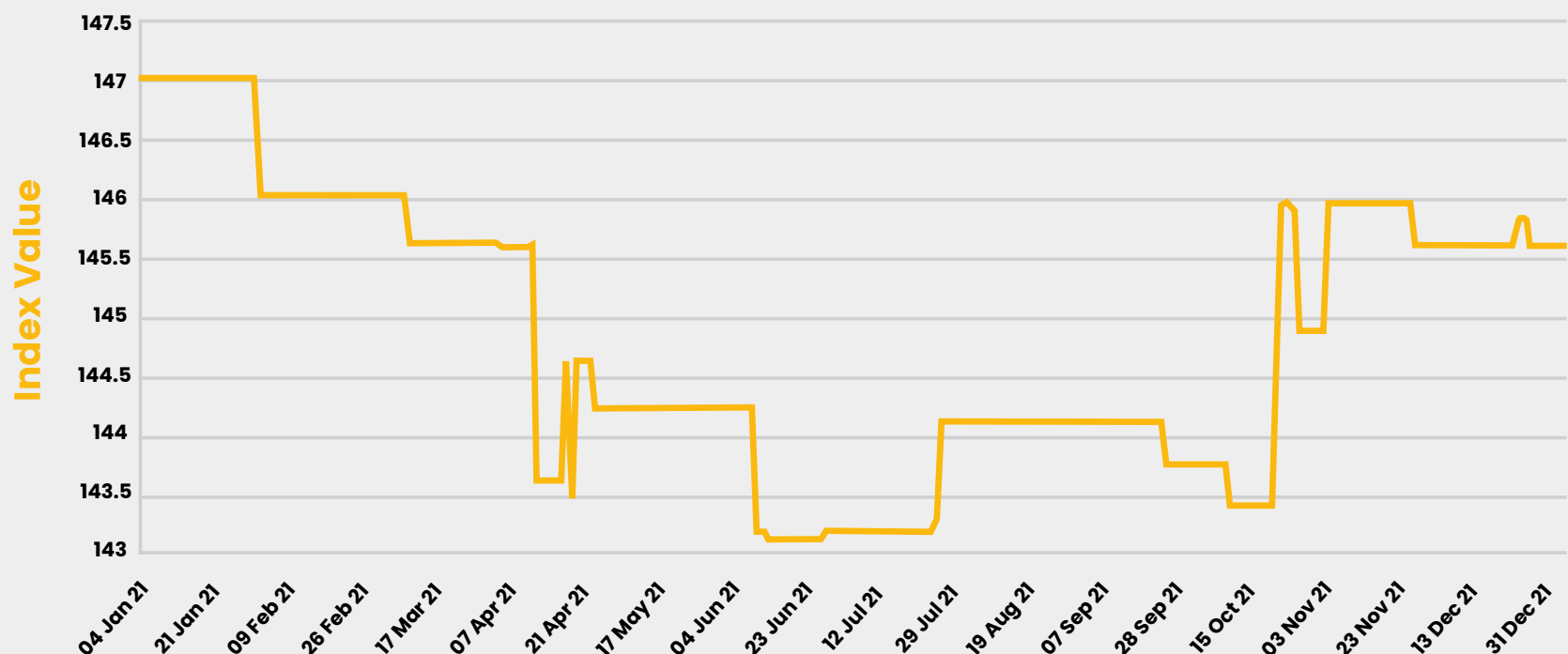
c. There were no Material Change disclosures issued during the period; however, the following Material Change disclosures are now available via the ECSE's website for the following issuers:

- Grenada Electricity Services Ltd. (GESL) – dated October 2021
- St. Lucia Electricity Services Ltd. (SLES) – dated November 2021

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SECURITIES MARKET REVIEW

a. ECSE SHARE PRICE INDEX

Graph 1: ECSE Share Price Index January 04, 2021 to December 31, 2021



The ECSE Share Price Index stood at \$145.61, as at close of market on December 31, 2021. This represents a 0.96% decline in the value of the Index over the 2021 calendar year and a maintained position when compared to the value at the end of November 2021.

During December, the Index remained fairly stable at \$145.61, realizing a temporary increase of \$0.21 from December 20th to December 21st and thereafter returning to \$145.61.

The short-lived spike in the Index is attributed to the trading of TDC shares above its previous closing price.





UPCOMING OFFERS:

Table 3: Upcoming Offers for the month of January 2022

DATE	SYMBOL	ISSUER	INSTRUMENT	AUCTION VALUE	MATURITY	MAXIMUM RATE
17/01/2022	VCB190422	Government of St Vincent and the Grenadines	91-day Treasury Bill	\$28,000,000	19/04/2022	3.50%
19/01/2022	LCB190722	Government of St. Lucia	180-day Treasury Bill	\$15,000,000	19/07/2022	4.00%
21/01/2022	LCB250422	Government of St. Lucia	91-day Treasury Bill	\$11,000,000	25/04/2022	3.50%

INVESTMENT EDUCATION CORNER:

Types of Shareholder Meetings

Annual General Meeting (AGM):

- The yearly gathering of a company's shareholders.
- Directors of the company present the company's financial performance and shareholders vote on the issues at hand.
- Directors, Auditors and Dividend Payments are generally considered and voted upon.
- Notice must be given to each shareholder at least one month prior to the meeting date.

Extraordinary General Meeting:

- Convened to deal with all the extraordinary matters, which fall outside the usual business of the Annual General Meetings.
- Generally called for consideration of some urgent or special business, which cannot be postponed till the next Annual General Meeting.
- Also referred to as Special General Meeting.

Class Meeting:

- A meeting of certain group or class of shareholders of a company.
- Based on the specific rights of that group.

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