## Raiffeisen Voluntary Pension Fund

## Monthly Newsletter

August 2023

## Basic Information

| Management company | Raiffeisen INVEST |
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| CEK |  |
| The initial value of one unit | $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0}$ |
| The minimum investment | $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0}$ |
| Subsequent investment | $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0}$ |
| amount not less than |  |


| Entry fee | $0 \%$ |
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| Exit fee | $0 \%$ |

Penalties in case of premature withdrawal

Management fee per year Fee for funds transfer, from third parties

## Investment objective and Investor profile

Fund assets will be invested according to the principle of long-term security and an adequate return on investment, while maintaining an optimum ratio between the growth of pension savings and risk assumed.

Raiffeisen INVEST intends to build a portfolio consisting primarily of long-term bonds (with maturities greater than one year) issued and guaranteed by the Government of the Republic of Albania

The fund is suitable for conservative clients, individuals and legal entities who have as priority the security of the investment assets of the Fund in relation to the profitability of the investment.

Risk and Reward Profile
Low Risk Low Return

High Risk High Return


The fund is under the first risk category.

The synthetic risk and reward indicator corresponds to an integer, used to rank the Fund's risk profile on a scale of 1 to 7 , based on increasing level of volatility. The lowest category does not mean that the investment is riskless.
This indicator aims to offer the investor an overview of the fluctuations in Fund unit price based on historical performance. Historical data used to generate the indicator cannot constitute a guarantee on future risk profile.

Fund data on August 31, 2023

| Net Asset Value | $\mathbf{1 , 3 2 7 , 1 7 4 , 8 2 4}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Number of Investors | 3,701 |
| Unit Value | $2,113.9395$ |
| ${ }^{*}$ Annual rate of return (31.08.2022 $\mathbf{- 3 1 . 0 8 . 2 0 2 3 )}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 4 2 \%}$ |

*Management fee is deducted before calculating the rate of return
Investment Portfolio Structure as of August 31, 2023


In the framework of its investment policy, Pension fund invests in treasury bills and bonds issued by the government of Republic of Albania, taking into account the fact that trading activity in the fixed income secondary market is very limited.

## Instrument

## In \% of Fund's assets

Treasury Bonds
99.54\%

Deposits / Current account
0.46\%

Auctions of the securities issued in ALL from the Government of the Republic of Albania are relatively frequent: 12M Treasury Bills are issued twice a month; 2 -year bonds once a month; 7 and 10-year bonds are issued on a quarterly basis.
The government organizes the auctions of 5 - and 3 -year reference bonds with a frequency every 2 months, for each maturity. The investment strategy remains focused on long-term investments.

Net asset value is roughly ALL 1.33 billion as of August 31, 2023.

## Developments and information on the performance of financial markets in August

The assets of Pension Fund are invested only in T-bills and T-bonds issued by Albania Government and as a result the fund is exposed to changes in the interest rates of these securities. Thus, the Investments Funds are not directly related to
international markets but are mainly affected by developments in the domestic market, such as changes in the interest rates of Albanian Government securities.

During August, the interest rates of the Albanian Government securities in the domestic market had a mix trend. The yield of the 12 months Treasury Bill resulted at $3.149 \%$ increasing with $0.01 \%$ compared to the auction rate in July. Regarding the Treasury bonds auctions, the 2 -years bond auction, issued in LEK resulted at $3.80 \%$ decreasing with $0.08 \%$ compared to the last auction rate. The 7 -years bond auction resulted at $5.06 \%$, decreasing with $0.02 \%$ compared to the last auction. While the 3 -years benchmark bond auction resulted at $4.536 \%$, increasing with $0.07 \%$ compared to the last auction and the 5 -years benchmark bond auction resulted at $4.799 \%$, increasing with $0.18 \%$ compared to the last auction.

The chart below gives an overview of interest rate evolution of Treasury Bills and Bonds issued by the Albanian government during the 1-year period August 2022 - August 2023. For the 3 and 5 years reference bonds are presented the fixing yields, calculated from contributors' quotations at the end of August.


Treasury Bonds Interest Rate Trend of Albanian Government Securities
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## Fund Performance and unit value development August 31, 2023

Net annual return for the period 31 August 2022 - 31 August 2023 is $4.42 \%$.
The unit value of Pension Fund has kept following an upward trend, increasing by $+0.35 \%$ during the month of August. The net annual return is lower compared to the previous years because government securities interest rates, in which the fund invests, have been decreasing in the recent years. It should be taken into account that the return varies depending on market conditions, such as changes on the interest rates of Government securities.


Investors of Raiffeisen Pension Fund are advised to have a longer horizon investment (possibly until retirement age, five years before the age specified in law) in order to obtain a maximum return on investment, to improve the standard of living in retirement age and to avoid penalties in case of premature withdrawal.

Data on fund return referring to the past are only indicative and do not represent a promise or guarantee of the fund return in the future. All other numerical examples are used for illustrative purposes and analysis of historical data and should not be used by investors to draw conclusions for the future. The potential investors should read the Prospectus and Fund Rules. Raiffeisen Invest and the fund's sales force do not guarantee a certain return on the fund. The updated information on the fund unit value, the Fund's Prospectus and Fund Rules are available at Raiffeisen INVEST sh.a. head office, on the web site www.raiffeisen-invest.al, or at Raiffeisen Bank branches in Albania.
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