

## Market Information

**Angola will put 49 oil blocks for auction between 2019 and 2025, through the new National Agency for Oil, Gas and Biofuels, to ensure an increase of oil and gas production.** The General Strategy for the Allocation of Petroleum Concessions will ensure predictability to the market, with the allocation of up to 9 new concessions already in 2019 by direct negotiation. The negotiation method for the remaining concessions will be more transparent, by use of public tender. In the international market, the Brent price is in an upward movement, recovering this week and trading around USD 67 per barrel, three-month highs.

**The gap between parallel and official market exchange rates widened again due to the depreciation of the currency in the informal market; the difference is now 35% against the official exchange rate in the US Dollar.** Based on Kinguila Hoje, the Kwanza depreciated 2.4% against the Dollar and 3.2% against the Euro since the beginning of February; in the official market, the variation has been much smaller, thereby widening the gap between the two markets.

**The Law proposal for Value Added Tax (VAT) had its final approval last Thursday in the National Assembly.** The VAT is due to enter into force in July this year, applying a flat rate of 14%, in first instance only to firms classified as large taxpayers. The Framework Law ruling the oncoming privatizations programme was also approved, although public details are still unknown.

**The National Institute of Statistics will launch an agro-livestock census, budgeted at USD 24.9 million, 58 years after the last release.** It will be comprised of four stages, and will start this March with statistical collection, processing and dissemination of the agricultural structure and livestock, thus updating the data available to the agricultural companies operating in the country.

**A 128 carat diamond was unearthed at the Lulo mine operated by Australian firm Lucapa, in partnership with Endiama and Rosas & Petalas, in the Lunda Norte province.** It is the 12th time that a large stone (above 100 carats) is recovered in this mine.

## Macroeconomic Forecasts

Indicator	2018*	2019**	2020**
GDP change (%)	-1.7	2.4	2.7
Average Inflation (%)	19.6	16.4	14.7
Current Account (% GDP)	2.0	0.3	0.61

\*IMF forecasts

\*\* Average of forecasts from Bloomberg

## Sovereign Rating

Rating Agency	Rating	Outlook	Last change
Fitch	B	Stable	25/04/18
Moody's	B3	Stable	27/04/18
Standard & Poor's	B-	Negative	08/02/19

## Monetary and ForEx data

	22/02/19	7 days (p.p./%)	Change YTD (p.p./%)	12 months (p.p./%)
LUIBOR O/N	15.75%	0.00	-1.00	-4.22
USD/AOA	313.69	-0.16%	1.65%	47.60%
AOA/USD	0.0032	0.16%	-1.62%	-32.25%
EUR/AOA	355.57	0.38%	0.72%	35.73%
EUR/USD	1.13	0.35%	-1.15%	-8.07%
USD/ZAR	13.99	-0.63%	-2.47%	19.96%

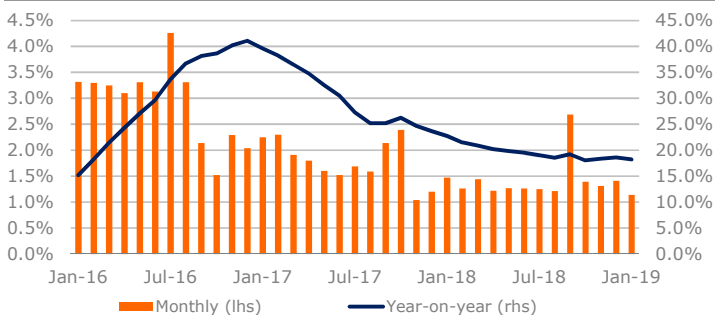
\*Change of USD/AOA (or EUR/AOA) shows the appreciation/depreciation of the USD (or EUR) against the Kwanza; the change of AOA/USD shows the appreciation/depreciation of the Kwanza against the USD.

## Weekly auctions of Treasury bonds and bills

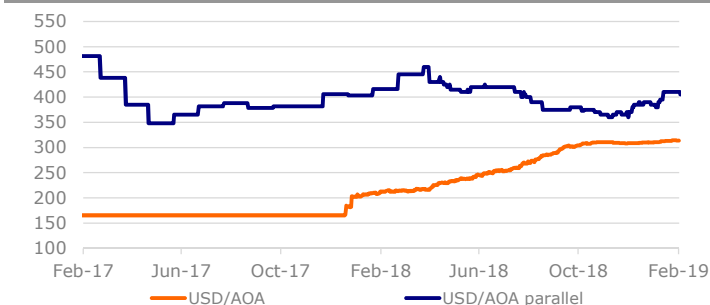
Maturity	Rate	Supply	Demand	Allocated
BT (84 days)	13.59%	25,114	25,114	17,555
BT (175 days)	17.06%	20,375	11,003	5,611
BT (357 days)	19.05%	33,424	5,749	5,749

BT are treasury bills, OT are treasury bonds; Note: amounts (except for the rate) are in million Kwanza. USD OT in million Dollars \* Bond linked to the exchange rate \*\* Bond linked to treasury bills

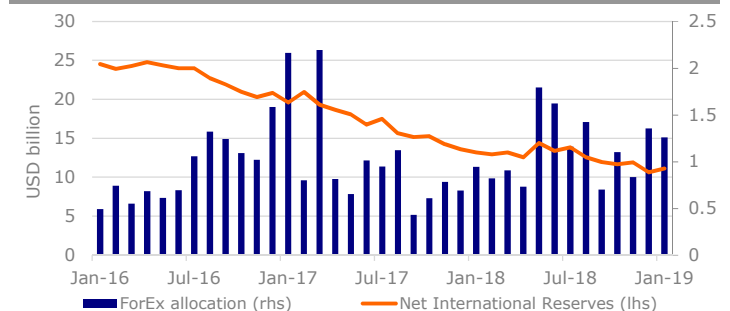
## Inflation



## Exchange rate (official and parallel)



## International Reserves and ForEx allocation



## Oil price (Brent Angola) and Eurobond 2025 price



Sources: Bloomberg, BNA, INE, Finance Ministry