

Local

COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Resignation of Board Member

- BBS announced the resignation of Mrs Elaina Gonsalves from the BBS board effective 8 May 21 due to personal reasons.
- Mrs Gonsalves has served on the BBS Board since 30 Dec 20
- P1.00 (YTD: -8.26%) PE: N/A PB: 0.9 D/Y: 0.00% Mkt Cap: P487.5mn



Dealing in Shares by Directors

- Choppies announced that the Directors, Mr Farouk Ismail and Mr Ramachandran Ottapathu, bought 1,350,000 and 1,247,897 shares respectively at 60 thebe per share.
- P0.60 (YTD: 0.00%) PE: N/A PB: N/A D/Y: 0.00% Mkt Cap: P782.2mn



Cautionary Announcement

- Chobe announced that its profit before tax (PBT) for the year ended 28 Feb 21 is expected to be P213.2mn-P219.9mn (160%-165%) lower than the P133.33mn reported for the comparative period ended 29 Feb 20.
- Chobe intends to publish its full year results before 31 May 21 which will include commentary on the drivers for the reduced performance.
- P9.18 (YTD: -2.65%) PE: N/A PB: 2.4 D/Y: 0.00% Mkt Cap: P821.1mn



Results of The Exit Opportunity

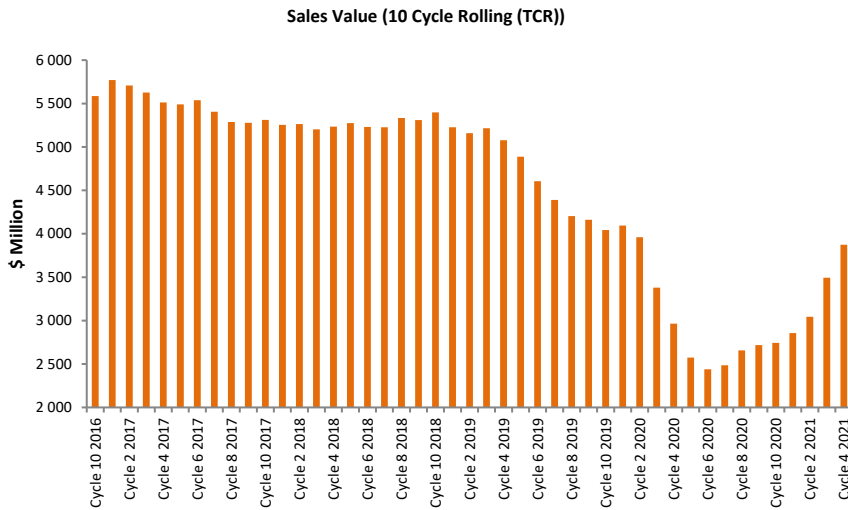
- Afinitas announced that the listing of its shares on the Venture Capital Board of the Botswana Stock Exchange was officially terminated on 23 Apr 21.
- Afinitas is now controlled by GCH Investments Limited holding 97.99% of the shares in issue.
- Afinitas notified remaining shareholders that GCH wishes to acquire the remaining shares on the same terms and conditions as that for Shareholders participating in the exit opportunity.
- The remaining shareholders are advised to contact the company's Transfer Secretaries.



Tshipidi Mentorship Program

- The BSE announced that the Tshipidi Mentorship Program will Commence on 25 May 21.

DE BEERS' (DB) CYCLE 4 SALES 2021 – COVID-19 CRISIS IN INDIA LIMITS DIAMOND SALES



- DB Cycle 4 2021 Sales \$380mn v \$450mn (Cycle 3 2021)
- DB Cycle 4 2021 Sales TCR \$3,874mn v \$2,964mn (Cycle 4 2020)
- DB continued to implement a flexible approach to rough diamond sales.
- DB experienced robust demand for diamond jewellery in the US and China. However, the scale of the second wave of Covid-19 in India, has led to reduced midstream capacity and subsequently lower rough diamond demand.
- Market sentiment and overall industry conditions therefore remain uncertain.

Regional

SOUTH AFRICA

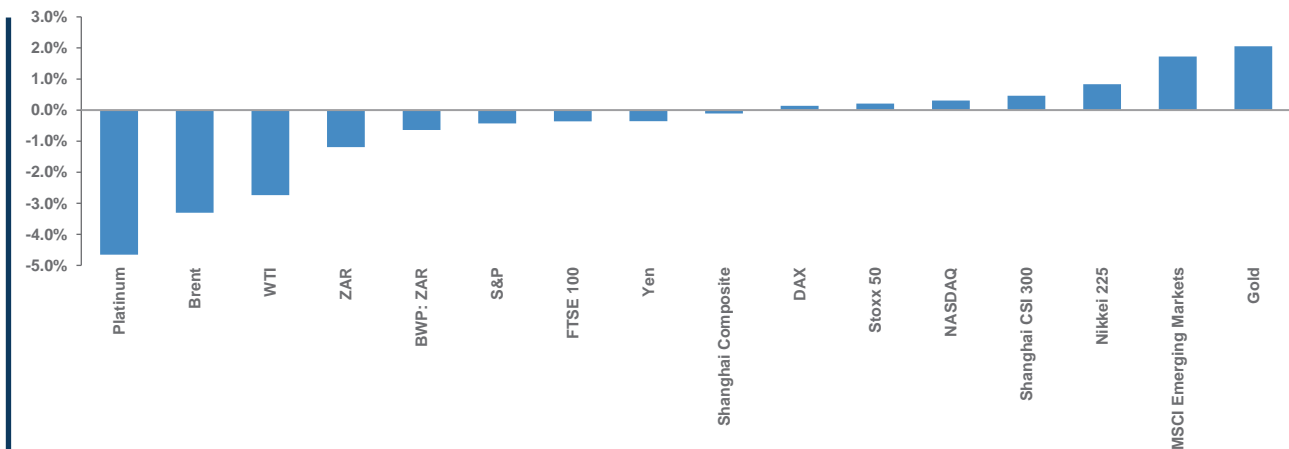
- Apr21 CPI y/y 4.4% v 4.3% (e) v 3.2% (Mar21)
- The SARB kept the repo rate unchanged at 3.50%, but also said it viewed the risks to its inflation forecast as moving from balanced to weighted to the upside.

ZAR PERFORMANCE

- The ZAR strengthened for the week due to an increase in risk appetite driven by the decline in US treasury yields which drove investors into riskier assets.
- ZAR 13.962 (WTD: -1.19%) v 14.130 (14 May 21)

International

INTERNATIONAL SNAPSHOT – 21 MAY 21 WEEKLY PERFORMANCE





- May21 Preliminary Manufacturing PMI 52.5 v 53.6 (Apr21)
- Apr21 CPI y/y -0.4% v -0.5% (e) v -0.2% (Mar21)
- 1Q21 Preliminary GDP q/q -1.3% v -1.1% (e) v 2.8% (4Q20)
- Japanese equities closed higher for the week, following the Fed's dovish stance and approval of the use of Moderna and AstraZeneca vaccines in Japan.
- Nikkei 225: 28,318 (WTD: +0.83%), Yen: 108.96 (WTD: -0.36%),



- Eurozone May21 Preliminary Manufacturing PMI 62.8 v 62.5 (e) v 62.9 (Apr21)
- France May21 Preliminary Manufacturing PMI 59.2 v 58.5 (e) v 58.9 (Apr21)
- Germany May21 Preliminary Manufacturing PMI 64.0 v 65.9 (e) v 66.2 (Apr21)
- European equities closed the week mixed on account of strong manufacturing data. UK Equities closed in the red following the release of higher-than-expected inflation figures which prompted fears that the Bank of England may tighten its monetary policy earlier than expected.
- DAX: 15,438 (WTD: +0.14%), Stoxx50 4,026 (WTD: +0.21%), FTSE100: 7,018 (WTD: -0.36%)



- Apr21 Industrial Production y/y 9.8% v 10.0% (e) v 14.1% (Mar21)
- Apr21 Retail Sales y/y 17.7% v 25.0% (e) v 34.2% (Mar21)
- Chinese equities closed the week mixed, with the Shanghai CSI closing higher as the central bank kept its benchmark lending rate unchanged, while the Shanghai Composite Index declined due to the drop in financial stocks.
- SHSZ300: 5,134 (WTD: +0.46%), SHCOMP: 3,487 (WTD: -0.11%)



- 15 May 21 Initial Jobless Claims 444k v 450k (e) v 478k (8 May 21)
- May21 Preliminary Manufacturing PMI 61.5 v 60.2 (e) v 60.5 (Apr21)
- US equities closed mixed for the week, with NASDAQ closing higher on account of strong jobless claims data while S&P closed lower due to the sell-off of tech and other high-growth stocks.
- NASDAQ: 13,471 (WTD: +0.31%), S&P 4,156 (WTD: -0.43%)

COMMODITIES



- ΔUS Crude Inventories 1,320k bbl. (14 May 21) v 1,311k bbl. (e) v -426k bbl. (7 May 21)
- ΔUS Oil Rigs +2; 455 (21 May 21) v 453 (14 May 21)
- ΔNorth American Oil Rigs +1; 513 (21 May 21) v 512 (14 May 21)
- Oil prices declined for the week on worries that surging Covid-19 cases in Asia would dent demand.
 - WTI: \$63.58 (WTD: -2.74%)
 - Brent Crude: \$66.44 (WTD: -3.30%)



- Precious metals closed mixed for the week, with Gold closing higher driven by falling US treasury yields and a weaker USD. Platinum closed in the red for the week on expectations of oversupply of the metal as Covid-19 restrictions ease.
 - Gold: \$1,881 (WTD: +2.05%)
 - Platinum: \$1,172 (WTD: -4.66%)



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