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# Insurance Industry in Zambia \_ Performance & Regulatory Overview

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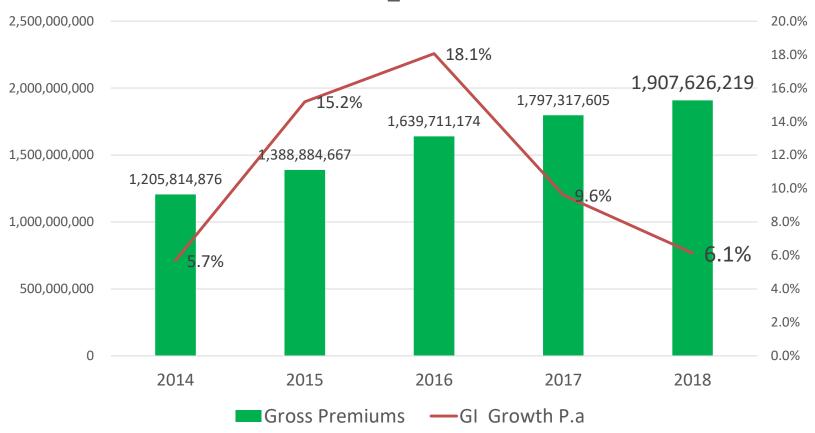


## Outline

- Financial Performance 2019
- Regulatory Reforms
  - Prudential regulations (solvency & governance)
  - Conduct of business (fair treatment of policyholders)
  - Industry Development & Financial inclusion

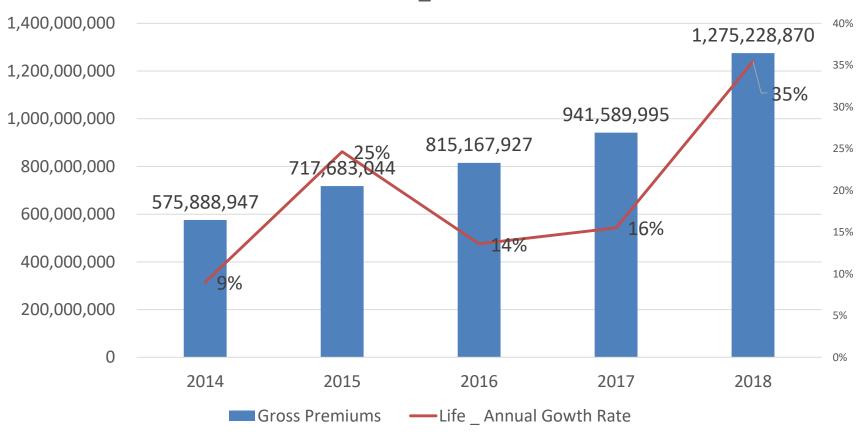






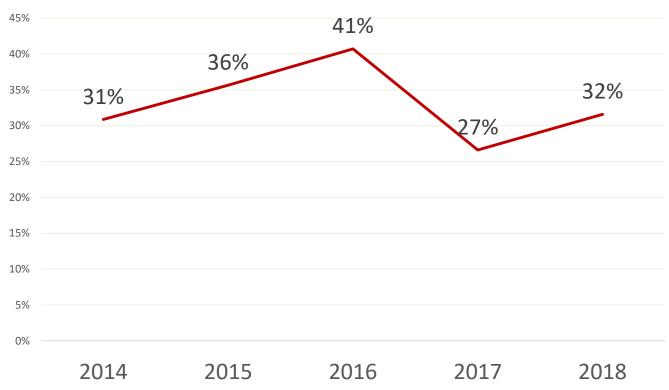






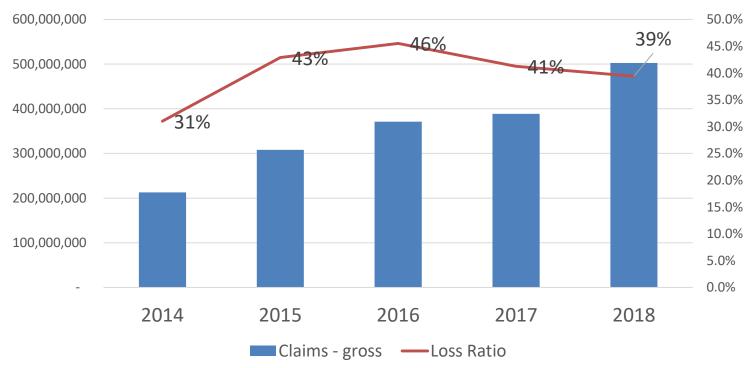


#### GI \_ Loss Ratios ( Gross Claims to GWP)



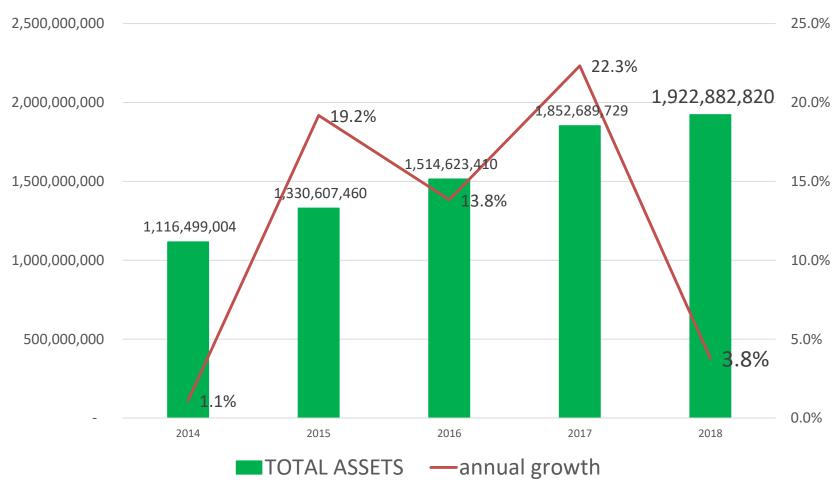




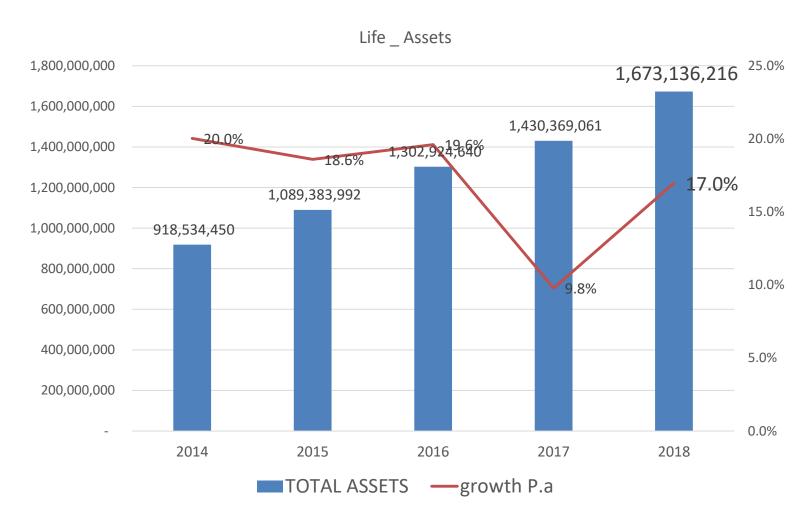




**GI** Assets









## Regulatory Reforms



- Governance guidelines
  - The Consultants handed over their report to the Authority in February 2019
  - Q3/Q4 2019 the Authority will be ready for stakeholder consultations
- Governance Regulations will likely address the following concerns
  - No limit on ownership or control by any one person
  - Position of chairman & CEO can be held by one person
  - Board of directors with unbalanced skills set
  - Any number of directors is acceptable
  - Clarity on the number boards any one person can serve
  - Lack of guidance on independence directors
  - No requirements for Committees in respect of audit, risk mgt, etc
  - ERM and Internal control systems are not mandatory
  - Managers combining too many operational roles (e.g Head of underwriting, claims and re-insurance vested in one person



#### **IFRS 17**

- Significant accounting Changes include the following
  - The "death" of GWP from income statements
  - No "Zero year" profit on long-term contracts
  - Taking of Profits will be delayed; losses will be accounted for early (
     What about the effects of re-insurance?)
- What PIA is doing and will do
  - Internal capacity building
  - Awareness workshops (later in 2019)
  - Assessment preparedness by Insurers (especially Life insurers)
  - Accounting Guideline
  - IFRS vs Regulator's accounting requirements (the gap should minimized)



## **PISMIS** (Pensions & Insurance Supervisory Management Information System)

- Benefits of PISMIS
  - Effective and efficient capture, storage, retrieval and manipulation of data
  - Enhancement & protection of data integrity
- Implementation Roadmap
  - Data rules (formulae) completed
  - Data migration (5 year data by Q4 2019)
  - Mandatory use of PISMIS (Before Q1 2019)



### Future Projects

- Solvency Regulations (this is the most important project but depends on the progress on the Bill)
- Motor Third Party Liability Rates (Assessment of compliance status)
- Life Minimum Rates (Rates to be subjected to a further actuarial review; 2015 guidelines appear to numbers that are NOT pure risk rates)



## Regulatory Reforms- conduct of business

- Disclosure requirements (key facts statements) pre-sale and at the point of sale.
  - Industry was consulted in June 2019
  - The consultants are expected to hand over their recommendations by September 2019

### Future Projects

- Premium management ("cash and carry" may not be addressed in the bill)
- Standards on settlement of claims
- Guideline on internal dispute resolution
- Office of ombudsman



## Regulatory Reforms- Market Development

- Domestication of Marine Cargo Insurance
  - The PIA is undertook a study tour in East Africa in July 2019.
  - By end of Q3 2019 its hoped a stakeholder review of draft regulations, MoUs and other required instruments will be undertaken
- Future Projects
  - Microinsurance Regulations
  - promotion of local reinsurance
  - Enhancing the scope of mandatory insurance



## My plea

"Cut-throat Competition can sink the us"

"underwriting is under threat!"

"Poor governance is the worst enemy of Zambian insurance companies"

"lets us bite what we can chew"



## Thank You