Central Bank Of Lesotho



FIT & PROPER ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE FOR KEY MANAGEMENT OFFICIALS

A. Personal questionnaire for prospective and or existing key management officials assessment for fitness and propriety to hold office

6.1 The following criteria shall be taken into consideration in determining if an individual is fit and proper to hold office:

- (a) probity, diligence, competence and soundness of judgement;
- (b) reputation, character, integrity and honesty;
- (c) history of offence(s) involving fraud, dishonesty and violence;
- (d) engagement in deceitful, oppressive or improper business practices or any practices which would discredit him;
- (e) engagement, associated or conducted himself in a manner which may cast doubt on his fitness, competence and soundness of judgement;
- (f) contravention of any provision made by or under any written law appearing to the Central Bank to be designed for protecting members of the public against financial loss due to dishonesty, incompetence or malpractice; and
- (g) Declaration of insolvency.

SECTION I- INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

1. Name of the Institution in connection with which this questionnaire is being completed:

2. Complete legal name (No initials):		
3. Other Names Used (Trade Names, Aliases):		
4. Registration No.:		
5. Tax Registration No		
6. Complete Address:		
Physical Address	Postal Address	
7. Telephone: ()	Contact person:	

SECTION II- PROSPECTIVE KEY MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL

8.Position Held/ applied for:	
9. Full Names (Mr / Mrs):	
10. Nationality:	
11. Date of Birth:	
12 Place of Birth:	
13. Complete Address:	
Physical Address	Postal Address

SECTION III - COMPETENCE AND CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT

14. For the completion of this section, please attach your detailed curriculum vitae showing details of your education, professional qualifications, employment history up to the date of this questionnaire, including for each place of employment: details of the type of business, your title and the duties attaching to your position; the dates of employment, the name and address of your employer/s, reasons for leaving, the name, position and contact details of two referees. Sealed and send directly to the Bank.

15. (a) List all companies, partnerships, societies, corporations, or other business undertakings in which you are presently a director, partner, trustee, employee, owner or otherwise involved in the management of.

(b) Do any of the companies/societies/corporation indicated in (i) above, maintain a business relationship with the institution to which you have applied or you are currently part of? If so give particulars

(c) Do any of the companies/societies/corporations indicated in (i) above, prospectively plan to undertake business with this institution? If so give details

(d) Have you ever been or are you currently a beneficial owner or shareholder (holding at least 5% of issued share capital) in any company or corporation engaged in relevant activities as the institution to which you are filling this form for? If so, state:

Name and Address of the company/society/corporation:

Nature of business:

Number of shares held:

(e) Are you a beneficial owner of any controlling interest in anybody corporate, partnership, society or other business undertaking? If so, give particulars, including nature and addresses of business partnership etc.:

16. Have you ever been disqualified by any Court or by virtue of any statutory enactment from being a director or from acting in the senior management or conduct of the affairs of any financial sector institution whether in Lesotho or elsewhere? If so, give details:

17. Have you ever been found mentally incompetent to manage your own affairs by any medical doctor at any time?

Yes \Box No \Box

SECTION IV – INTERGRITY ASSESSMENT

18. Has any legal proceedings being issued against you in your personal capacity or against any entity, partnership, society or any other business undertaking to which you are connected as a shareholder, partner, director or senior official? If pending, please give full details of the circumstances, and if not pending, how as the matter resolved?

19. Have you ever been refused entry to any profession or vocation whether in Lesotho or elsewhere? If so, give facts:

20. Have you ever been the subject of investigation/disciplinary procedures or publicly criticized by any professional body to which you belong or have belonged whether in Lesotho or elsewhere? If so, give details:

21. Have you ever been dismissed or requested to resign from any office or employment whether in Lesotho or elsewhere? If so, give details:

22. Have you been found civilly or criminally liable by any Court for fraud, misfeasance or other misconduct towards any partnership, business undertaking or corporation in connection with its formation or management and or any member or customer thereof in Lesotho or elsewhere? If so, give details:

23. Have you ever been convicted of any criminal offence involving dishonesty and or offences relating to financial legislations? If so, give details:

SECTION V – FINANCIAL INTEGRITY ASSESSMENT

24. Has a bankruptcy/insolvency petition ever been served on you, or any organization in which you were a shareholder or held the position of director or senior management in any jurisdiction? If pending, give details of the circumstances and, if not pending, how was the matter resolved?

25. Has any bank or other financial institution with which you or any business undertaking owned, controlled or managed by you did any institution ever commenced legal action/court proceedings or declined doing any new business with you or your undertaking as a result of outstanding debts owed by you or the undertaking, or due to your not honouring other facilities afforded you (e.g. guarantee, etc.) by these institutions? If so, give details of the dispute and the manner in which the issue was resolved:

26. Has any loan or credit facility (or part thereof) extended to you by any financial or lending institution, been restructured, renegotiated, provided against or been the subject of a write off or debt forgiveness for reasons of non-payment by you? If so please provide full details of the debt/s, the circumstances surrounding the actions and the current status:

27. Whether in Lesotho or elsewhere, have you ever been a shareholder, director or been directly concerned in the management or conduct of affairs of any legal entity, society, partnership or any other business undertaking which has become insolvent and or gone into liquidation, whilst you were associated with the entity? If so, give details of the circumstances, including, name of company, name of liquidator and address of the liquidator:

28. Are you a subject of a judgment debt which is unsatisfied, either in whole or in part, whether in Lesotho or elsewhere? If so, give details:

29. Documentary Requirements: For the completion of this section, please submit to the Bank:

- (a) A certified statement of your assets and liabilities;
- (b) Latest tax compliance certificate
- (c) Two letters, duly certified and notarized, from financial institutions with whom you have had dealings for the last two years on the performance of past and present accounts such as, unauthorized overdraft on deposit accounts, past-due or delinquent accounts.

SECTION VI-DUTY OF CARE

30. (a) Have you ever been subjected to a fine or punishment of any kind by any professional body because of failure to exercise duty of care in your capacity as a director, shareholder and or senior management official?

Yes \Box No \Box

(b) Have you ever, in any jurisdiction, had an administrative order made against you?

Yes □ No □

If so, give particulars: _____

(c) Has any financial institution with which you or any business undertaking owned, controlled or managed by you does business, ever threatened or commenced legal action/court proceedings or declined doing new business with you due to your not honouring other facilities afforded you (e.g. guarantee, etc.) by these institutions? If so, give details of the dispute and the manner in which the issue was resolved? (d) Have you ever been charged and found guilty of any crime on grounds of negligence by a competent court whether in Lesotho or elsewhere? If so give details

(e) Has any third party to whom you were directly or indirectly dealing with suffered losswhether financial or otherwise because of the non-disclosure of information, lack of knowledge, wrong information given by yourself in your professional capacity? If so, give details

(f) Has any decision or your conduct been adjudged by a competent court of law or any regulatory authority as prejudicial, bias, overriding the objectivity and bearing conflict of interest? If so, give details

SECTION VII -GENERAL

31. Whether in Lesotho or elsewhere, have you ever been a shareholder, director of, or directly concerned in the management of any financial sector institution?

(a) Which has been served with a petition to wind up	Yes □	No □
(b) Which has been wound up by a court	Yes □	No 🗆
(c) The license of which has been revoked	Yes □	No 🗆
(d) Which has been the subject of legal sued	Yes 🗆	No 🗆

(e) Whose business has been adjudged to have been conducted imprudently or fraudulently? Yes \square No \square

(f) Will you be actively engaged in the financial sector institutions to which this application relates and devote the major portion of your time thereto $Yes \square$ No \square

(g) Please describe the particular duties and responsibilities that you will hold:

(h) If you are completing this questionnaire in the capacity of director, please indicate whether you will have any executive responsibility for the management of the institution's business:

(i) Do you, at all times while acting in your capacity as a director or executive Officer/manager of the institution, undertake to:

- (a) Act in good faith towards the institution;
- (b) Avoid conflict of interest situations between your other interests and the Interests of the institution; and
- (c) Place the interests of the institution and its clients above all other interests?

32. Before you assume your responsibility in the institution, you must have acquainted yourself with your duties and responsibility vis-à-vis your duties and responsibilities as contained in the applicable law, regulations and guidelines.

SECTION VI – OATH

33. I______, do hereby make oath and say that all stated herein is to the best of my knowledge and belief true and correct. That withholding information which if submitted would most likely render me unfit will constitute a breach of these guidelines which will result in my expulsion from acting in the position indicated in this

guideline. I further undertake, that as long as I continue to be a director and or senior management official in this institution, I will notify the Central Bank of Lesotho of any material changes to or affecting the completeness and/or accuracy of the information herein supplied by me as soon as possible, but in no event later than fifteen (15) days from the day that the changes come to my attention.

Signed at _______ on the _____ day of ______ 20_____ By the Deponent who acknowledges that he/she has read and understands the contents herein. In the presence of Commissioner of Oaths Signature: _______ Name: _______ Capacity: ______ Address: _______

Please attach your certified copy of a valid certificate to practice as a Commissioner of Oaths.