

## APPENDIX VI. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY

### 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Under the Provision of Investment Services, the Exercise of Investment Activities, the Operation of Regulated Markets and Other Related Matters Law of 2007, Law 144(I)/2007, the Company is required to take all reasonable steps to detect and avoid conflicts of interest. The Company is committed to act honestly, fairly and professionally and in the best interests of its Clients and to comply, in particular, with the principles set out in the above legislation when providing investment services and other ancillary services related to such investment services.

1.2 The Company provides herein a summary of the policy it maintains in order to manage conflicts of interest in respect of the duties it owes to its Clients.

### 2. SCOPE

2.1 The Policy applies to all its directors, employees, any persons directly or indirectly linked to the Company (hereinafter called "related persons") and refers to all interactions with all Clients.

### 3. IDENTIFICATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

3.1 When the Company deals with or for the Client, the Company, an associate or some other person connected with the Company, may have an interest, relationship or arrangement that is material in relation to the Transaction concerned or that conflicts with the Client's interest. By way of example only, when the Company deals with a Transaction for or on behalf of the Client, the Company may be matching the Client's Transaction with that of another Client by acting on such other Client's behalf as well as on the Client's behalf.

3.2 The Client consents to and authorises the Company to deal with or for the Client in any manner which the Company considers appropriate, notwithstanding any conflict of interest or the existence of any material interest in a Transaction, without prior reference to the Client. Company employees are required to comply with a policy of independence and to disregard any such material interest or conflict of interest while offering services to the Client.

3.3 For the purposes of identifying the types of conflict of interest that arise in the course of providing Investment and Ancillary Services or a combination thereof and whose existence may damage the interests of a Client, the Company takes into account, whether the Company or a related person, is in any of the following situations, whether as a result of providing investment or ancillary services or investment activities or otherwise:

- a) The Company or a related person is likely to make a financial gain, or avoid a financial loss, at the expense of the Client.
- b) The Company or a related person has an interest in the outcome of a service provided to the Client or of a transaction carried out on behalf of the Client, which is distinct from the Client's interest in that outcome.
- c) The Company or a related person has a financial or other incentive to favour the interest of another Client or group of Clients over the interests of the Client.

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- d) The Company or a related person carries on the same business as the Client.
- e) The Company or a related person receives or will receive from a person other than the Client an inducement in relation to a service provided to the Client, in the form of monies, goods or services, other than the standard commission or fee for that service.

#### 4. PROCEDURES AND CONTROLS TO MANAGING CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS

4.1 In general, the procedures and controls that the Company follows to manage the identified conflicts of interest include the following measures:

- a) Effective procedures to prevent or control the exchange of information between relevant persons engaged in activities involving a risk of a conflict of interest where the exchange of that information may harm the interests of one or more Clients.
- b) The separate supervision of relevant persons whose principal functions involve carrying out activities on behalf of or providing services to, Clients whose interests may conflict, or who otherwise represent different interests that may conflict, including those of the Company.
- c) The removal of any direct link between the remuneration of relevant persons principally engaged in one activity and the remuneration of, or revenues generated by, different relevant persons principally engaged in another activity, where a conflict of interest may arise in relation to those activities.
- d) Measures to prevent or limit any person from exercising inappropriate influence over the way in which a relevant person carries out investment or ancillary services or activities.
- e) A 'need to know' policy governing the dissemination of confidential or inside information within the Company.
- f) Chinese walls restricting the flow of confidential and inside information within the Company, and physical separation of departments.
- g) Procedures governing access to electronic data.
- h) Segregation of duties that may give rise to conflicts of interest if carried on by the same individual.
- i) Personal account dealing requirements applicable to relevant persons in relation to their own investments.
- j) Prohibition of external business interests conflicting with our interests as far as the Company's officers and employees are concerned, unless Board of Directors approval is provided.
- k) A policy designed to limit the conflict of interest arising from the giving and receiving of inducements.
- l) Establishment of in-house Compliance Department to monitor and report on the above to the Company's Board of Directors.
- m) Appointment of Internal auditor to ensure that appropriate systems and controls are maintained and report to the Company's Board of Directors.
- n) Establishment of the four-eye principle in supervising the Company's activities.
- o) The Company also undertakes on-going monitoring of business activities to ensure that internal controls are appropriate.