

Financial Sector Conduct Authority

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# 1. About the FSCA

## Who we are

- The Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA) is a market conduct regulator that started operating on 1 April 2018 in terms of the Financial Sector Regulation Act, 2017 (Act No. 97 of 2017).
- The FSCA reports to the Minister of Finance and is accountable to Parliament.
- Replaced the Financial Services Board (FSB)

## Who we do

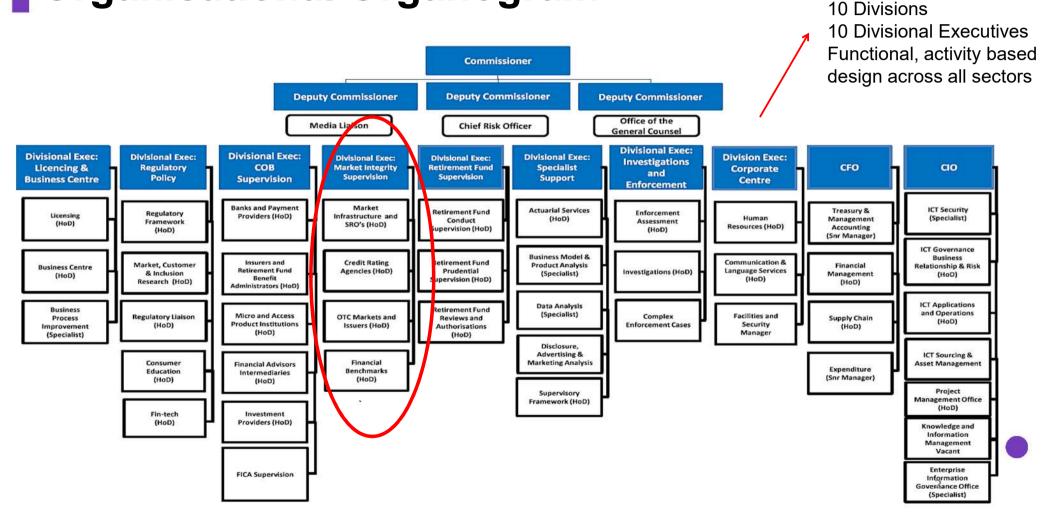
- Market conduct regulator of financial institutions that provide financial products and financial services – financial institutions that are licensed in terms of a financial sector law, including
  - banks, insurers, retirement funds and administrators, and market infrastructures.
- Responsible for market conduct <u>regulation</u> and <u>supervision</u>.

## Mandate

- Administer 8 Acts
- Aim to:
  - enhance and support the efficiency and integrity of financial markets
  - protect financial customers by promoting fair treatment by financial institution
  - provide financial customers with financial education
  - assist in maintaining financial stability

# 2. Organisational Structures

## **Organisational Organogram**

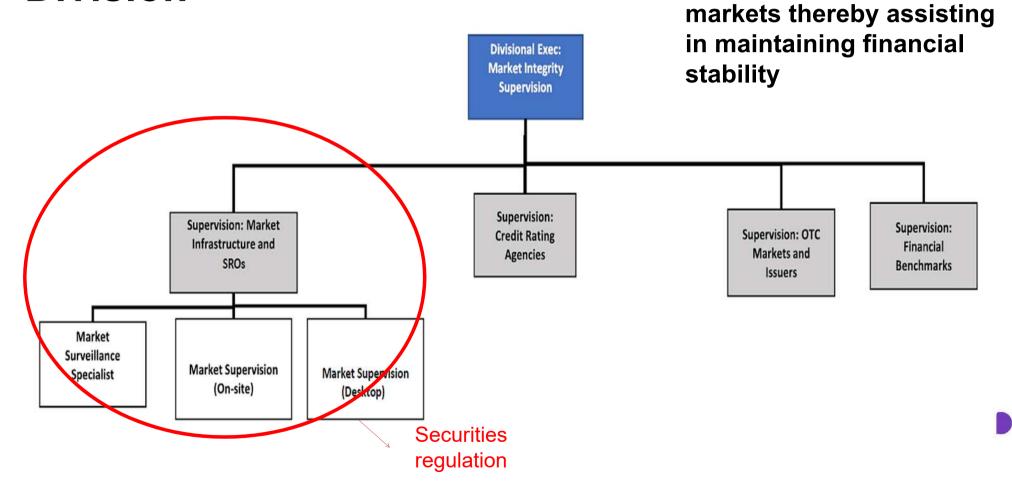


## Governance

- FSR Act provides for the governance structure -
  - Commissioner and deputy commissioners
  - All of appointed by the <u>Minister of Finance</u>
  - As at the time of this presentation, neither a commissioner nor deputy commissioners had been appointed
  - The <u>role</u> of the EXCO was assumed by the FSCA <u>Transitional</u> <u>Management Committee</u> (TMC):
    - Acting commissioner, the executive management of the FSCA and an independent member appointed by National Treasury.

# Market Integrity Supervision Division

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**Ensuring the efficiency** 

and integrity of financial

## Departments

## Market Infrastructures & SROs

 Licensing and supervising the conduct of <u>market</u> <u>infrastructures</u> as defined in the Financial Markets Act, 2012

### Credit Ratings

 Licensing and supervising the conduct of entities authorized to provide <u>credit rating services</u> in terms of the Credit Rating Services Act, 2012.

### **OTC** Issuers & Markets

 Licensing and supervising <u>OTC derivative providers</u> who as a regular feature of their business originate OTC derivatives or make a market in OTC derivatives.

## Financial Benchmarks

 Establishing credible and transparent governance, oversight and accountability procedures for the <u>benchmark</u> determination process, including an identifiable oversight function accountable for the development, issuance and operation of the benchmark.

# 3. Securities Markets Regulation

## Twin Peaks Regulatory Model

- Reform of the financial sector regulation
- The FSR Act established two Authorities (peaks):
  - The Prudential Authority (PA)(housed in the South African Reserve Bank (SARB))
  - The <u>Financial Sector Conduct Authority</u> (**FSCA**)
- Both regulators have <u>jurisdiction</u> over <u>all financial institutions</u>
- Ability of <u>Minister of Finance</u> to <u>designate</u> new financial products and services not captured in existing sectoral legislation

## Twin Peaks Mandate

#### **FSCA**

Market Conduct Supervision

Fair Treatment of Customers

Market Integrity & Efficiency

Financial Education

#### PA

**Prudential Supervision** 

Financial Soundness

Prudential Risk

#### **SARB**

Overall financial Stability

## Twin Peaks (concurrence and cooperation)



## Regulatory Approach

### **Strong SRO Model**

- Frontline regulation, supervision and surveillance
- MIs must supervise, monitor and enforce compliance with the FMA and rules of the MI:
  - □ Authorised users
  - □ Issuers
  - ☐ Clearing members
  - ☐ CSD participants
  - nominees

## **Supervisory Tools (incl.)**

- Boards and Committees
- Fit & Proper assessment board, directors and senior managers
- Onsite and offsite inspections
- Submission of annual reports, self assessment questionnaires, financial statements
- Shareholding approval
- Complaints handling
- Additional business
- Approval of rules and listings requirements
- Administrative penalties
- Withdrawal or suspension of licenses

## List of licensed Market Infrastructures

### Exchanges

#### Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE)

- 19<sup>th</sup> biggest exchange in the world
- Biggest exchange in Africa
- · All securities

#### A2X

- Secondary listings exchange
- Top 65 shares on JSE
- Equities, Notes and Funds

#### ZARX

- Pre-funded
- Equities

#### 4AX

- Equities, bonds, notes, interest rate instruments
- Target companies with market capitalisation of up to R8 billion
- · Pre-cleared

#### **Equity Express**

- Equities
- black economic empowerment schemes
- Issuer imposed restricted shares
- Issuers determine which brokers may trade shares











## List of licensed Market Infrastructures (cont)

Central Securities Depositories Associated Clearing Houses

2 Strate Granite 2 JSE Clear Strate

- No CCP JSE Clear will transition by 1 January 2022 (independent CH and CCP)
- No Trade Repository







# 4. Current projects

## **Current Projects**

Licence applications (exchange and TR)

#### Draft Standards

- -Conduct Standard for Securities Financing Transactions Participants
- -Conduct Standard for Exchanges
- -Margin Requirements (non-centrally cleared over-the-counter derivative transactions)
- –Equivalency Frameworks for CCPs and TRs

### Consultation Papers

- -Implementation of Legal Entity Identifiers (LEI)
- -Implementation of a Financial Benchmark Regulatory Regime
- -Implementation of a Short Sale reporting and disclosure framework

## THANK YOU