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Dear Chief Executive Officer Dear Compliance Officer

Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Regulation and Compliance

Background

We are pleased to inform you that the Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Regulation and Compliance, developed in collaboration between the Malta Financial Services Authority (MFSA) and the University of Malta, is now open for applications. This programme represents a significant milestone in our commitment to advancing the standards of financial regulation and compliance education in Malta.

Programme Overview

The Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Regulation and Compliance aims to equip professionals in the financial services industry with comprehensive knowledge and practical skills. The curriculum has been designed to address critical areas such as:

- Risk Management
- Compliance Management
- Report Writing
- Governance and Audit Management
- Sustainable Finance Regulation
- Digital Finance Regulation
- Business Ethics
- Prevention of Money Laundering and Funding of Terrorism



This is a two-year programme and will include eight detailed study units, each focusing on real-world applications and case studies. This hands-on approach ensures that graduates are prepared to tackle the complexities and challenges of the financial services industry effectively.

Capacity Building and Professional Development

The introduction of this diploma is crucial for building capacity within the Maltese financial services sector. It provides a structured pathway for professionals to enhance their regulatory and compliance expertise, in line with evolving industry demands. This aligns with goals set by regulatory bodies such as the ECB, EBA, and ESMA, which emphasize continuous professional development and robust regulatory frameworks. This initiative supports MFSA's strategic priorities, including promoting good governance, compliance, and sustaining a resilient financial sector.

Benefits for Existing Professionals and Career Changers

For existing professionals, the programme offers an opportunity to deepen their knowledge and stay current with regulatory developments, enhancing career prospects and operational effectiveness. For those transitioning into the financial services industry, the programme provides practical skills to navigate the regulatory landscape, making them valuable assets to potential employers.

Opportunities for Young and Upcoming Professionals

Young and upcoming professionals will find this diploma particularly beneficial as it offers a competitive edge in the job market. By expanding their educational background with specialised knowledge in financial regulation and compliance, they can position themselves for advanced career opportunities. The programme ensures that graduates are not only knowledgeable but also ready to apply their skills in professional settings.



Application Process

Applications for the Postgraduate Diploma are open through the University of Malta's website. Interested individuals can find comprehensive details about the diploma, including fees and unit content, by visiting the following link: <u>University of Malta - Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Regulation and Compliance</u>.

Conclusion and Way Forward

The MFSA is committed to supporting the continuous development of professionals within the financial services industry. We believe this postgraduate diploma will bridge the gap between academic knowledge and industry application, enhancing regulatory and compliance standards in Malta. We encourage all institutions to share this information and support interested individuals in pursuing this opportunity.

Should you have any queries regarding this initiative, please do not hesitate to contact: **Aleksandra Dimitrova** from the Financial Supervisors Academy (FSA) – <u>aleksandra.dimitrova@mfsa.mt</u> or **Benjamin Ellul** from the Chief Officer Supervision Office – <u>benjamin.ellul@mfsa.mt</u>.

Yours Sincerely, Malta Financial Services Authority

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