

BANK OF GHANA

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MANDATORY REGISTRATION OF VIRTUAL ASSET SERVICE PROVIDERS OPERATING IN GHANA

Pursuant to its mandate of maintaining financial stability and consistent with its ongoing efforts to promote, integrity, innovation and consumer protection in the digital financial ecosystem, the Bank of Ghana requires **all Virtual Asset Service Providers (VASPs) operating within the jurisdiction of the Republic of Ghana to register with the Bank**.

This registration is part of a preliminary regulatory process to identify and to assess entities engaging in virtual asset activities, including but not limited to:

- i. Virtual asset exchange services;
- ii. Wallet provision or custody services;
- iii. Transfer or settlement services involving virtual assets; and
- iv. Services related to the issuance or sale of virtual assets, including initial coin offerings (ICOs) and stablecoins.

This exercise is aimed at ensuring that the forthcoming legal and regulatory frameworks for VASPs are informed by market developments and aligned with international best practices.

All VASPs currently offering services to persons resident in Ghana - whether through physical presence or digital platforms - are required to complete the registration process via https://forms.office.com/r/XqthpEkhkQ.

The deadline for registration is **15th August**, **2025**.

Members of the public are reminded that:

- i. **Registration is compulsory.** Failure to comply may result in regulatory sanctions or disqualification from future licensing;
- ii. **Registration does not constitute a licence** to operate, nor does it imply legal recognition or approval;
- iii. The Bank of Ghana reserves the right to issue further directives based on the outcome of this assessment.

For enquiries or technical support related to the registration process, please contact: <u>vasp@bog.gov.gh</u>

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