

# **Banking Management Procedures**

# 1. STRATEGIC PLAN THEME AND COMPLIANCE OBLIGATION SUPPORTED

Investment and Treasury Management Policy Strategic Plan Theme: People and Culture

# 2. PROCEDURAL DETAILS

2.1. These procedures are in relation to the operating of the University's bank accounts and <u>Deposits</u>.

### Opening and closure of bank accounts

- 2.2. The Chief Financial Officer is authorised to open bank accounts, either of domestic or foreign currency (other than for <u>Investment</u> purposes).
- 2.3. The Chief Financial Officer is authorised to close bank accounts.

### Authorised signatories for bank accounts

- 2.4. The Chief Financial Officer or Delegated Officer(s) are authorised to approve the appointment or removal of authorised signatories.
- 2.5. Two authorised signatories are required to approve a banking transaction.

### **Online Banking**

- 2.6. The online banking Master User will be an authorised signatory.
- 2.7. Two Master Users are required to effect the payments of funds to external parties or the transfer of funds internally between bank accounts.
- 2.8. The Master User has the authority to create/remove Administrator Users and Employee Users.

### **Banking limits**

- 2.9. The Chief Financial Officer or Delegated Officer(s) are authorised to set:
  - The minimum balance to be retained in the operating bank account.
  - The total daily online banking transaction limit for the University.
  - The daily online banking transaction limit for each individual bank account.
  - The individual transaction limit.

### **Opening and closure of Deposits**

- 2.10. The Chief Financial Officer or Delegated Officer(s) are authorised to appoint one or more Investment Grade Authorised Deposit Taking Institution (ADI) for the placement of funds.
- 2.11. The Chief Financial Officer or Delegated Officer(s) are authorised to approve placement or withdrawal of funds in accordance with the *Investment and Treasury Management Procedures*.
- 2.12. No more than \$150m of the total of the University's cash and Deposits may be invested with any one AA rated (including AA-, AA and AA+ or equivalent) <u>ADI</u> and not more than \$15m in any other ADI of Investment Grade.
- 2.13. Deposits into Investment Grade ADIs will need to consider at a minimum:
  - the period for which the cash is required for operating requirements;
  - interest rates being offered; and
  - cash holdings with any one ADI.
- 2.14. Early termination of Deposits for operating cash flow requirements is at the discretion of the Chief Financial Officer or Delegated Officer(s).

### Authorised signatories for Deposits

2.15. The Chief Financial Officer or Delegated Officer(s) are authorised to approve the appointment of authorised signatories.

2.16. The Chief Financial Officer or Delegated Officer(s) are authorised to remove authorised signatories.

## Monitoring and Reporting

- 2.17. An annual review of bank accounts will be carried out to review the bank charges and the bank account type to ensure the University is being offered the best bank products.
- 2.18. The Chief Financial Officer will report to Finance Committee the cash and Deposit holdings of the University quarterly.

# 3. **RESPONSIBILITIES**

Responsibilities are those as set out in Section 2.

# 4. SCOPE OF PROCEDURES

These procedures apply to those engaged in the management and governance of the University's Investment strategy, including all bank accounts for operating cash flows. Typically, this will encompass the Chief Financial Officer, Director Financial Reporting, Director Financial Operations & Strategic Procurement and Delegated Officers.

These procedures do not cover transactional payments and receipts.

### 5. **DEFINITIONS**

(Note: Commonly defined terms are located in the <u>Curtin Common Definitions</u>. Any defined terms below are specific to this document)

### Authorised Deposit Taking Institution (ADI)

Means corporations which are authorised under the Banking Act 1959. ADIs include banks, building societies and credit unions.

### Deposits

Means the placement of cash either at call or for a fixed term in the money market.

#### Investment

Means placement of University funds in assets or items with the intent of generating income, return or appreciation in value. This type of investment is administered by Financial Services.

#### **Investment Grade**

Means that either Standard & Poor's or Moody's has rated an investment as having "Investment Grade" credit rating, ie BBB- or above (Standard & Poor's) or Baa3 or above (Moody's).

### 6. RELATED DOCUMENTS/LINKS/FORMS

Investment and Treasury Management Policy Investment and Treasury Management Procedures Curtin University Act 1966 (WA) Financial Management Act 2006 (WA)

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