

Financial Sector Conduct Authority

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WHO WE WERE THEN AND WHO WE ARE NOW

Financial Services Board (FSB) v Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA)



1. Key differences: FSB v FSCA

	FSB	FSCA
Jurisdiction	Non-banking financial sector	All financial institutions
Focus	Combined prudential and market conduct regulator	 Dedicated market conduct regulator Supervise how entities interact with and treat their clients
Founding legislation	Financial Services Board Act	Financial Sector Regulation Act
Legislation overseen	A range of sector-specific laws	Existing sector-specific laws to be replaced by an overarching, crosscutting Conduct of Financial Institutions Act • Pre-CoFI: Conduct standards may be made for FIs not yet licensed



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	FSB	FSCA
Governance structure	Overseen by a Board appointed by the Minister of Finance with governance sub-committees	Overseen by Executive Committee comprising the FSCA Commissioner and Deputy Commissioners appointed by Minister of Finance, with governance sub-committees appointed by National Treasury
Regulatory decision-makers	Executive Officer and (through delegation) Deputy Executive Officers, appointed by the Minister of Finance	Commissioner is accountable for day-to-day management of the FSCA and for performing its functions, other than certain key functions (including standard setting and licensing) to be performed by EXCO as collective



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	FSB	FSCA
Organisation design	 Sector-specific divisions focused on sector-specific laws Entity driven 	Largely functional/activity design, with cross-cutting licensing, enforcement and conduct of business supervision groups. Strengthened research and technical analysis capacity
Licensing	Multiple sector laws, complex licensing framework	 Two-step process: Pre-CoFI: Still use financial sector laws, but some licensing functions move to PA (MoUs required) Post-CoFI: New activity based licensing framework, licence mapping required

WHY WE WERE ESTABLISHED

FSCA Objectives

2. FSCA Objectives

The Financial Sector Regulation Act, 2017 (FSR Act), established the Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA) and conferred upon it objectives to:

- enhance the efficiency and integrity of financial markets
- promote fair customer treatment by financial institutions
- provide financial education and promote financial literacy
- assist in maintaining financial stability

WHAT ARE OUR PRIORITIES AND HOW WE ARE GOING TO ACHIEVE THEM

FSCA Regulatory Strategy



3. FSCA Strategy

- FSCA was established 1 April 2018
- Strategy focuses on the first three years
- Six priority areas:
 - Building a new organisation
 - An inclusive and transformed financial sector
 - A robust regulatory framework that promotes Treating Customers Fairly
 - Informed financial customers
 - Strengthening the efficiency and integrity of our financial markets
 - Understanding new ways of doing business and disruptive technologies

REGULATORY PARADIGM SHIFT

- □ Backward-looking
- Compliance-based
- "One-size-fits-all"
- u "Silo" approach



- ☐ Forward-looking
- ☐ Pre-emptive and proactive
- Outcomes-based
- ☐ Risk-based & proportionate
- ☐ Comprehensive & consistent
- ☐ Intensive and intrusive...

National Treasury, February 2011

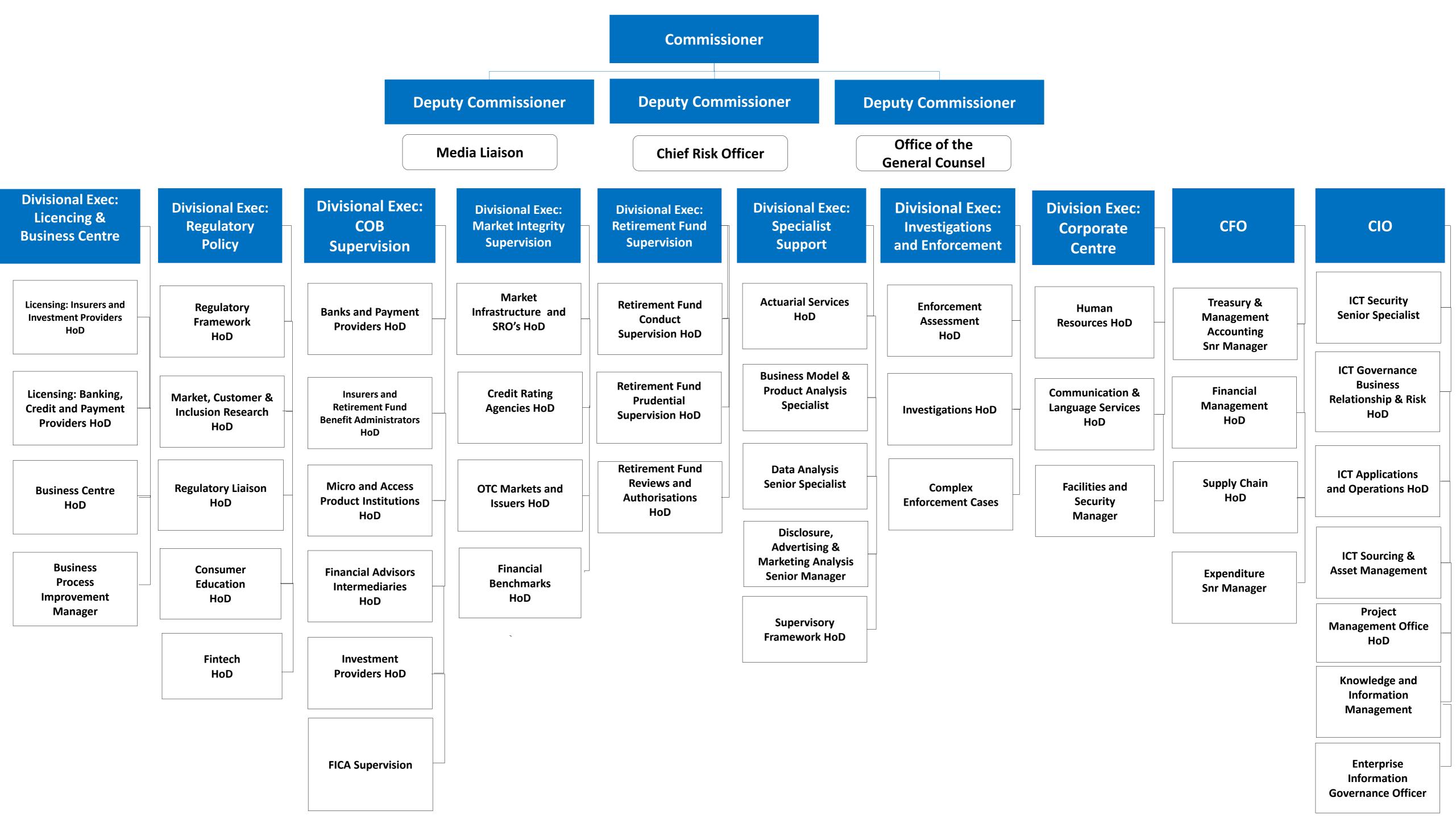
"A safer financial sector to serve South Africa better"



WHO DOES WHAT

Organogram





THANK YOU