

PRESS INFORMATION



## Ecobank Group names Jubril Mobolaji Lawal as Regional Executive and Managing Director Designate for Ecobank Nigeria

**Lomé, Togo: December 6, 2021** – Ecobank Group, the leading pan-African banking group, announces that Jubril Mobolaji Lawal has been appointed as Regional Executive and Managing Director designate of Ecobank Nigeria, subject to the approval of the Central Bank of Nigeria. The appointment is made ahead of Patrick Akinwuntan's upcoming retirement, due to him reaching retirement age in January 2022.

Mobolaji Lawal joins Ecobank having been a versatile senior banking executive and digital transformation specialist for over 28 years with Guaranty Trust Bank Plc. He has deep involvement and experience in digital and retail banking, corporate and commercial banking, credit risk management and corporate finance. His previous experience includes being Executive Director at GTBank Plc Nigeria, and Non-Executive Director roles at both GTBank Ghana Limited and Nigeria Interbank Settlement Systems Plc. Mobolaji led the team that envisioned and implemented GTBank Plc's retail and digital banking strategy to achieve industry-wide leadership over a ten-year period and he introduced new products and solutions that have helped to deepen payments and access to digital financial services in Nigeria.

Mobolaji was selected and appointed as Managing Director designate following a keenly contested selection process, which included both internal and external candidates.

Mobolaji Lawal holds a Bachelor of Law degree from the Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria; B.L. from the Nigerian Law School and a Master of Business Administration from Oxford University, United Kingdom. He has also attended several executive management and banking specific developmental programmes at leading educational institutions including Harvard Business School, Stanford Graduate School of Business and Institut Européen d'Administration des Affaires (INSEAD).

Commenting on the appointment, Ade Ayeyemi, CEO, Ecobank Group said: "We welcome Mobolaji Lawal to the Ecobank Group and we stand to benefit from the extensive experience that he has acquired in various fields across banking, which will play a major role in continuing to rebuild our franchise in Nigeria. Nigeria is a key market for us, in which we have seen significant improvement over the past three years as we reposition and leverage upon our pan-African strengths in digital products and services, payments and as the go-to-bank for businesses seeking to grasp the growth opportunities being created by the AfCFTA, across all our markets on the continent. I wish Mobolaji the best and assure him of both my support and that of the entire Ecobank Group."

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Mrs. Bola Adesola, the Chairman of the Board of Ecobank Nigeria said: "We look forward to working with Mobolaji and assure him of the full support of the Board, Management and all the staff of Ecobank Nigeria. The business in Nigeria is on the path of transformation and we are confident that Mobolaji will have significant impact in advancing our positive trajectory."

Mobolaji Lawal will assume the position of Managing Director, Ecobank Nigeria, upon receiving the approval of the Central Bank of Nigeria and after Patrick Akinwuntan retires.

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## About Ecobank Transnational Incorporated ('ETI' or 'The Group')

Ecobank Transnational Incorporated ('ETI') is the parent company of the Ecobank Group, the leading independent pan-African banking group. The Ecobank Group employs about 14,000 people and serves over 29 million customers in the consumer, commercial and corporate banking sectors across 33 African countries. The Group has a banking licence in France and representative offices in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; Johannesburg, South Africa; Beijing, China; London, the UK and Dubai, the United Arab Emirates. The Group offers a full suite of banking products, services and solutions including bank and deposit accounts, loans, cash management, advisory, trade, securities, wealth and asset management. ETI is listed on the Nigerian Stock Exchanges in Lagos, the Ghana Stock Exchange in Accra, and the Bourse Régionale des Valeurs Mobilières in Abidjan. For further information please visit www.ecobank.com



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The Director General, Securities and Exchange Commission, No. 30, 3<sup>rd</sup> Circular Road, Cantonments, Accra, Ghana.

Dear Sir,

## RE: NOTIFICATION TO SEC ON THE SUBMISSION OF THE 2020 AUDITED THIRD QUARTER RESULTS OF ECOBANK GROUP IN LIEU OF UNAUDITED QUARTERLY RESULTS

We write to inform the Security Exchange Commission ("SEC") that the 2020 Third Quarter Financial Results of the Ecobank Group are being audited in line with the decision of the Board of Ecobank Transnational Incorporated ("ETI").

As a result of the above, ETI intends to submit the Ecobank Audited Results for the Third Quarter Ended September 30, 2020 to SEC on or before end of November 2020.

We look forward to your favourable consideration.

Yours faithfully,

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