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TO : UTMC, IUTA, CUTA, PRS PROVIDERS, IPRA AND CPRA
("DISTRIBUTORS")

ATTN. : CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER / AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

TRANSITIONAL PERIOD FOR CPD PROGRAMME IN CHAPTER 7 OF FIMM'S CONSOLIDATED RULES

Reference is made to FIMM's Consolidated Rules which came into effect on 1 Jun 2016. Please be informed that the requirement of CPD Programme in Chapter 7 will only come into effect on 1 January 2017.

In view of the above, during the transitional period i.e. until 31 December 2016, please take note of the following:

- (a) Consultants who are the employees of UTMCs are not required to fulfil the CPD requirements as stated in Chapter 7;
- (b) Consultants of Private Retirement Schemes are not required to fulfil the CPD requirements as stated in Chapter 7; and
- (c) For the registration of former Unit Trust Schemes Consultant within 3 years from the date of withdrawal of his registration, 8 CPD points is required.

Nevertheless, during such period, the Distributors are reminded to provide the continuing education and training to ensure the Consultants are competent.

Distributors are required to ensure the full compliance of CPD Programme in Chapter 7 of FIMM's Consolidated Rules upon its effective date on 1 January 2017.

Please also find the attached Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) as guidance for the implementation of Chapter 7 of FIMM's Consolidated Rules.

For further clarification on the implementation of Chapter 7 of FIMM's Consolidated Rules, please contact En. Shahrul Nizam Zainol, Professional Development and Services Department (PDS) at 03-2093 2600 ext 510.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully
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CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

FAQs

1. What is Continuing Professional Development (CPD)?

It is a programme of continuing education for Consultants, enabling them to acquire knowledge and achieve professionalism through a series of training activities and workshop environments; helping them to meet stringent knowledge requirements and technical proficiency as Consultants.

This programme is designed to ensure that the Consultants develop and maintain the technical and professional competency necessary, in providing good advice and services to their clients.

The CPD Programme is developed to ensure that the Consultants give the very best of their ability and adhere to the highest standards set by FIMM, hence the requirement for a high degree of benchmarking and standard setting within the industry.

FIMM is of the view that the expertise and knowledge requirements for Consultants should be industry related and broad-based, while also providing excellent people skills.

2. Who need to comply with CPD programme requirement?

According to Rule 7.1.1 of FIMM Consolidated Rules (FCR); a Consultant must obtain a minimum of 16 CPD points in a year before an application for renewal of his registration will be considered by FIMM.

❖ *Note:*

*Consultant has been defined as **an individual registered with FIMM and authorised to market and distribute Schemes** (Unit Trust Schemes and Private Retirement Schemes) in the FCR.*

Therefore, all Consultants need to comply with such requirement including:

- (a) Consultants who are the employees and/or independent individuals of a UTMC, IUTA, CUTA for purposes of marketing and distribution of Unit Trust Schemes; and
- (b) Consultants who are the employees and/or independent individuals of a PRS Provider, IPRA or CPRA for purposes of marketing and distribution of Private Retirement Schemes.

3. If an individual registered as both Unit Trust Schemes Consultant (UTS Consultant) and Private Retirement Schemes Consultant (PRS Consultant), how many CPD points need to be obtained?

For each registration, the Consultant is required to obtain 16 CPD points for each registration as UTS Consultant and PRS Consultant i.e. 32 CPD points.