

Central Securities Clearing System Plc, joins the International Securities Services Association (ISSA) Board and appoints Mr. Shehu Yahaya Shantali as the Board member

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ISSA is pleased to announce the appointment of **Shehu Yahaya Shantali** to its leadership community, reinforcing its commitment to advancing excellence in securities services and financial market infrastructure.

With more than two decades of experience across capital market regulation, financial advisory, investment management, technology, and payment systems, Shehu brings a unique, end-to-end perspective on the securities lifecycle. His deep understanding of regulation, trading, clearing and settlement, custody, asset management, and digital financial platforms has earned him a strong reputation as a trusted leader in post-trade and market infrastructure.

Shehu began his career at the Securities and Exchange Commission of Nigeria, where he spent over ten years in regulatory oversight, financial control, and investment management. During this time, he played an important role in shaping regulatory frameworks for exchanges, financial market infrastructure, and securities services providers. He also contributed to major national reforms, including Nigeria's transition to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and the implementation of the contributory pension scheme.

These experiences reflect his strong ability to bring together regulators, market participants, and policymakers to deliver meaningful, system-wide change.

In addition to his regulatory and commercial experience, Shehu has served as a consultant to the UK Nigeria Infrastructure Advisory Facility, where he advised on complex public-private partnerships and financing structures for major infrastructure projects.

Margaret Harwood-Jones, ISSA Board Chair, stated: "We are delighted to welcome Shehu to our leadership community. His deep regulatory insight, strong commercial perspective, and broad experience across market infrastructure and financial technology will be a valuable asset as we continue to support the evolution of global securities services."

Shehu said: "I am honored to join ISSA at a time of significant transformation in global financial markets. I look forward to working closely with fellow members to share my experience and contribute to addressing the opportunities and challenges shaping the future of our industry."

Over the past two years, ISSA has focused on the execution of its strategy and its analysis of the industry's imperatives, such as T+1 Settlement, the Future of Securities Services, Digitization, Resilience and the Evolving Technological opportunities, positioning the organization as a thought leader and resource for the industry.

Julia McKenny, ISSA CEO