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The Editor All Media Houses

Sir/Madam,

PPADB awarded the globally recognised CIPS Procurement Excellence Standard (Corporate Certification)

This is to inform stakeholders that the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Board (PPADB) was on the 10th December 2018 awarded the globally recognised Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply (CIPS), Procurement Excellence Standard (Corporate Certification).

PPADB is the first public sector organisation in Southern Africa, and the 4th to receive the Award in Africa joining other organisations of note, being; The African Development Bank, TradeMark East Africa, and Upstream Oil and Gas, Sasol South Africa (Pty) Limited.

The assessment process followed by CIPS was thorough and demanding and the Board was able to meet all the stringent requirements for Corporate Certification.

The certification demonstrates that PPADB's procurement policies, strategies, procedures and processes meet high-quality professional standards. The CIPS Corporate Certification is a globally respected standard which provides a framework to help organizations demonstrate procurement excellence.

By meeting the Standard, PPADB has demonstrated that its procurement policies, strategies, procedures and processes are fully embraced by the organisation and that there is good practice and consistent ways of working within the organisation.

The Standard is a compilation of 110 different criteria under five Dimensions which are: Leadership and Organisation, Strategy, People, Processes and Systems (Sourcing & Post-Contract Management) and Performance Management.

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It has been demonstrated over time that organisations that have attained the Corporate Certification have realised the following benefits;

(a) Value - creating better ways of working, efficiency, savings and lowering costs.

(b) Performance – the certification builds efficient, effective and economic ways of working and requires continually monitoring performance to make improvements, if necessary.

(c) Reputation - helps boost the reputation, awareness and credibility of the organization.

(d) Risk management - Independently verifies that the organizational risks are properly identified, assessed and managed, while formalizing procurement processes, procedures and documentation

(e) Relationships - building stronger stakeholder relationships, increased staff morale and engagement levels.

PPADB is required to maintain the standard by ensuring that the procurement policies, strategies, procedures and processes of the organisation are implemented and that its people are suitably qualified to drive the procurement function.

CIPS will conduct interim and reassessments to clarify any organisational changes which may impact the award.

PPADB will continue to share good practices derived from the CIPs certification to drive excellence in procurement and asset disposal in Botswana in line with its vision of being a centre of excellence in public procurement and asset disposal.

For further information on the issue please contact the Public Relations and Education Office at 3602017/3602014.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

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