

## **Executive Summary Consultation Paper**

Key Principles for the Regulation of New Financial Instruments

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Rapid developments in technology have impacted the provision of financial products, services arrangements, and activities. These innovations offer benefits to consumers as capital may be mobilised more seamlessly while offering reduced barriers and costs. Financial institutions are increasingly making use of these products and it is critical that the provision of these services is conducted in a manner that preserves and promotes the integrity of the markets and investor protection.

The Commission has adopted the approach that where new financial innovations present risks like those observed in existing financial products, the regulatory treatment should be the same to afford market participants similar protections. The consultation paper aims to provide clarity and certainty to both suppliers and consumers of innovative financial services by outlining the key principles that guide the Commission's approach to the regulation of new financial products and services.

The Commission welcomes comments from financial institutions on the consultation paper and invites submission of comments in writing. The deadline for submission of comments is February 29, 2024.

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Queries regarding the consultation may be sent to <u>info@fsc.gov.bb</u> with the subject "Comments on the Regulation of New Products".