

## Thirty Fifth Annual General Meeting 7 April 2011

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c. will be held at the Hilton Malta, Portomaso, St. Julians on Thursday, 7 April 2011. Registration starts at 4.00pm and the meeting commences at 5.00pm to consider and, if deemed fit, approve the following resolutions:

To receive and approve the audited accounts for the year ended 31 December 2010 and consider the Directors' and Auditors' report thereon.

To declare a final gross dividend of €0.077 euro cents per share representing a final gross payment of €22,471,680, as recommended by the Board of Directors.

To re-appoint the auditors KPMG and to authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration.

To establish the maximum annual aggregate emoluments of the Directors at €230,000.

To appoint and elect Directors.

**Note:** Questions related to the above items on the agenda may be directed to the Company Secretary by post or by e-mail to [companysecretarymalta@hsbc.com](mailto:companysecretarymalta@hsbc.com). Information related to the meeting can be found on the bank's website [www.hsbc.com.mt](http://www.hsbc.com.mt) in the Investor Relations section.

*By order of the Board*



*Dr George Brancaleone LL.D.*

*Company Secretary*

*15 March 2011*

### Notes

1. This advice has been mailed to shareholders registered as at 8 March 2011. Only members registered on this date shall have the right to participate and vote in the Meeting.
2. Entrance and Proxy Forms:
  - (a) A member having the right to attend and vote is entitled to appoint a proxy. The proxy need not also be a member. A Proxy Form together with a self addressed envelope is being sent together with this notice.
  - (b) In the case of joint shareholders, these forms have been mailed to the first person mentioned in the register. This person is empowered to vote or appoint a proxy. The other joint shareholders will only be able to vote instead of the first person mentioned in the register, by means of the Form of Proxy to reach the Secretary of the Company not less than 48 hours before the appointed time of the Meeting. All joint shareholders may attend the Meeting.
  - (c) In the case of minors, the legal guardian may attend and vote by presenting this document together with his/her identity card.
  - (d) Companies and Associations are to provide their representative with an appropriate authority to be shown at the entrance.
3. The Board of Directors shall consist of not more than nine (9) directors. In terms of clause 7 of the Memorandum of Association and Article 77 (4) of the Articles of Association: (a) six (6) directors may be appointed, and (b) three (3) directors are elected during the Meeting. Since only three persons have been nominated for election, no voting will take place this year and the following gentlemen will be automatically elected: **James Dunbar Cousin, Saviour Sive Sonny Portelli and Peter Paul Testaferrata Moroni Viani.**

### ADMISSION TO THE MEETING

**Only Shareholders or their Proxy will be allowed to attend the Meeting.**

**In order to be admitted to the Meeting, you or your Proxy must present this notice at the door. Persons attending are to show their identity card.**

**Tickets for parking will be provided. Should you require simultaneous translation service during the AGM you are to contact us by not later than 26 March 2011 on telephone numbers 2597 2404 / 2597 2405. If your Proxy will be attending, kindly fill in hereunder:**

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Name of Proxy

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I.D. Card Number of Proxy

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Signature of Shareholder