

## **DEFINITION OF TERMS FOR INDIVIDUAL TAX RESIDENCY SELF-CERTIFICATION FORM**

**<u>Note</u>**: The following are selected summaries of defined terms provided to assist you with the completion of this form. These explanatory notes are not a substitute for understanding the requirements of the CRS regulations.

Further details can be found within the OECD Common Reporting Standard for Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information (AEOI), the associated Commentary to the CRS, and domestic guidance. You can refer to: <a href="http://www.oecd.org/tax/transparency/automaticexchangeofinformation.htm">http://www.oecd.org/tax/transparency/automaticexchangeofinformation.htm</a>

If you have any questions about these definitions or require further details, please contact your tax adviser or domestic tax authority.

'Account Holder' The term 'Account Holder' means the person listed or identified as the holder of a Financial Account. A person, other than a Financial Institution, holding a Financial Account for the benefit of another person as an agent, a custodian, a nominee, a signatory, an investment advisor, an intermediary, or as a legal guardian, is not treated as the Account Holder. In these circumstances that other person is the Account Holder. For example in the case of a parent/child relationship where the parent is acting as a legal guardian, the child is regarded as the Account Holder. With respect to a jointly held account, each joint holder is treated as an Account Holder.

'Controlling Person' This is a natural person who exercises control over an entity. Where an entity Account Holder is treated as a Passive Non-Financial Entity ('NFE') then a Financial Institution must determine whether such Controlling Persons are Reportable Persons. This definition corresponds to the term 'beneficial owner' as described in Recommendation 10 of the Financial Action Task Force Recommendations (as adopted in February 2012). If the account is maintained for an entity of which the individual is a Controlling Person, then the 'Controlling Person tax residency Self-Certification' form should be completed instead of this form.

**'Entity'** The term 'Entity' means a legal person or a legal arrangement, such as a corporation, organisation, partnership, trust or foundation.

**'Financial Account'** A Financial Account is an account maintained by a Financial Institution and includes: Depository Accounts; Custodial Accounts; Equity and debt interest in certain Investment Entities; Cash Value Insurance Contracts; and Annuity Contracts.

**'Participating Jurisdiction'** A Participating Jurisdiction means a jurisdiction with which an agreement is in place pursuant to which it will provide the information required on the automatic exchange of financial account information set out in the Common Reporting Standard.

'Reportable Account' The term 'Reportable Account' means an account held by one or more Reportable Persons or by a Passive NFE with one or more Controlling Persons that is a Reportable Person.

**'Reportable Jurisdiction'** A Reportable Jurisdiction is a jurisdiction with which an obligation to provide financial account information is in place.

**'Reportable Person'** A Reportable Person is defined as an individual who is tax resident in a Reportable Jurisdiction under the tax laws of that jurisdiction. Dual resident individuals may rely on the tiebreaker rules contained in tax conventions (if applicable) to solve cases of double residence for purposes of determining their residence for tax purposes.

'TIN' (including 'functional equivalent') The term 'TIN' means Taxpayer Identification Number or a functional equivalent in the absence of a TIN. A TIN is a unique combination of letters or numbers assigned by a jurisdiction to an individual or an Entity and used to identify the individual or Entity for the purposes of administering the tax laws of such jurisdiction. Further details of acceptable TINs can be found at the following link: <a href="http://www.oecd.org/tax/transparency/automaticexchangeofinformation.htm">http://www.oecd.org/tax/transparency/automaticexchangeofinformation.htm</a>

Some jurisdictions do not issue a TIN. However, these jurisdictions often utilise some other high integrity number with an equivalent level of identification (a 'functional equivalent'). Examples of that type of number include, for individuals, social security/insurance number, citizen/personal identification/service code/number, and resident registration number.