



CENTRALE BANK VAN ARUBA

## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

### *Supervision of Virtual Asset Service Providers (VASPs)*

The Centrale Bank van Aruba (CBA) hereby announces that effective September 8, 2021, VASPs have been placed under the supervision of the CBA as a designated non-financial service provider by virtue of the amended State Ordinance for the Prevention and Combating of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (*Landsverordening voorkoming en bestrijding witwassen en terrorismefinanciering*) (AML/CFT State Ordinance) (AB 2011 no.28).

As of December 8, 2021, it is prohibited for a natural person, legal person or corporation to be involved in a professional or commercial capacity in the exchange of virtual currency or fiduciary currency and/or provide custodian wallets in or from Aruba without being registered with the CBA. Not registering with the CBA is a violation of article 50, paragraph 1, of the amended AML/CFT State Ordinance and may lead to enforcement measures.

The CBA strongly urges service providers that provide activities described under article 1, paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs 7 and 8, of the amended AML/CFT State Ordinance to register with the CBA before **February 28, 2022** by completing the registration form available at: [www.cbaruba.org/document/registration-downloads](http://www.cbaruba.org/document/registration-downloads).

For any further information, you can visit the website of the CBA ([www.cbaruba.org](http://www.cbaruba.org)) or contact the CBA via e-mail [dnfbps@cbaruba.org](mailto:dnfbps@cbaruba.org).

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