

Logo design contest for CMDA's 20th Anniversary - Guidelines for participants

1. Introduction

The Capital Market Development Authority (CMDA) is an independent institution established under the Maldives Securities Act (2/2006), mandated to regulate and develop the Maldives capital market. Additionally, the CMDA holds the regulatory responsibility of supervising the Maldives Pension Administration Office (MPAO) and the Maldives Retirement Pension Scheme (MRPS) under the Maldives Pension Act (8/2009).

On January 26, 2026, the CMDA marks two decades of fostering transparency, growth, and stability within the Maldivian financial landscape. To honor this milestone, the Authority will unveil a special 20th Anniversary Logo. This emblem will serve as a visual testament to our core values, credibility, and the legacy built over the past 20 years. The selected logo will be used throughout the anniversary year across all official CMDA platforms, publications, events, and promotional materials.

To commemorate this achievement, the Authority is seeking a modern and creative logo that reflects its identity and journey over the past 20 years. The logo should be versatile and suitable for use across various platforms to showcase CMDA's growth and accomplishments. These guidelines provide detailed requirements for participants involved in the design and submission of the 20th Anniversary logo.

2. Eligibility

- a) The logo design competition is open to the public, except for those members that may be included in the judging and selection process of the logo.
- b) Participants may submit a maximum number of 3 entries for submissions.

3. How to Enter

The participants will be required to fill out a [registration form](#) to confirm their participation in the contest.

4. General Guidelines

- a) Submitted designs must not infringe on any third-party intellectual property rights.
- b) Participants confirm that the submitted work is their original creation.
- c) The CMDA reserves the right to cancel, terminate, modify, or suspend this competition without prior notice, should circumstances arise that make such action necessary.
- d) Entries to the contest must be submitted via email to: mail@cmda.gov.mv
- e) The final date for the submission of entries to the competition is **15th February 2026, 23:59hrs.**

5. Design Specifications and Requirements

- a) Logos must be original, creative, and designed specifically for the 20th Anniversary, reflecting the authority's core mission and vision while remaining suitable for both print and digital platforms.
- b) The design should allow placement alongside the authority's official logo without visual conflict.
- c) Each submission should include:
 - i) The logo design file(s) including soft copy .



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- 1) Preferred file formats include, EPS, PDF, and high-resolution PNG or JPEG
 - ii) A brief concept note explaining the design rationale.
 - iii) Participant details (name, contact information).
- d) The logo should be adaptable for use in color and monochrome.
- e) It must be scalable and remain legible at various sizes.
- f) Fonts and visual elements used must be suitable for long-term institutional use.
- g) Late or incomplete submissions will not be considered.

6. Judging and Selection Process

- a) Submissions will be reviewed by a judging panel appointed by CMDA.
- b) The judging process may involve multiple review stages, including shortlisting.
- c) Any entries found to be plagiarized or violate any of the copyrights will be disqualified at any stage of the selection process.

7. Selection Criteria

- a) The logo designs submitted for the contest will be subjected to the following evaluations criteria.

Criteria	Weightage
Relevance to the 20th Anniversary theme	25%
Creativity and originality	20%
Clarity and simplicity of design	20%
Versatility and usability across different mediums	15%
Alignment with the authority's identity and values	20%
Total	100%



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- b) If more than one entry does not meet the criteria, the CMDA reserves the right to re-open for submissions or seek management decisions on the way forward.
- c) The winner of the contest will receive a prize of MVR 10,000.

8. Ownership and Usage Rights

- a) By entering the contest, participants agree that if they win, they assign all intellectual property rights to CMDA, which may register the winning logo as its copyright.
- b) While the participant will not retain any ownership or usage rights to their entries beyond the contest, the credit for their design will be given to the participant as and when applicable.
- c) The authority reserves full rights to use, modify, and reproduce the logo for all anniversary-related purposes.
- d) Participants waive any future claims to ownership or compensation beyond what is officially announced.

9. Contact Information

- a) For further information or clarification, participants may contact the authority at Email: mail@cnda.gov.mv, Contact Number: +960 3014117.