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## EXTERNAL FUND MANAGEMENT-NBC

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## I- STRUCTURE

Directorate General of Central Banking

Banking Operation Department Exchange
Management
Department (EMD)

Economic Research & International Cooperation Dept.

Statistic Department

Payment System
Department

#### **Functions and Duties:**

- •International reserve management
- Exchange rate monitoring and publishing
- Foreign aid monitoring
- •Import-Export Bank Notes
- Market intervention in term of currency exchange



# I- STRUCTURE EMD STRUCTURE

**Exchange Management Dept** 

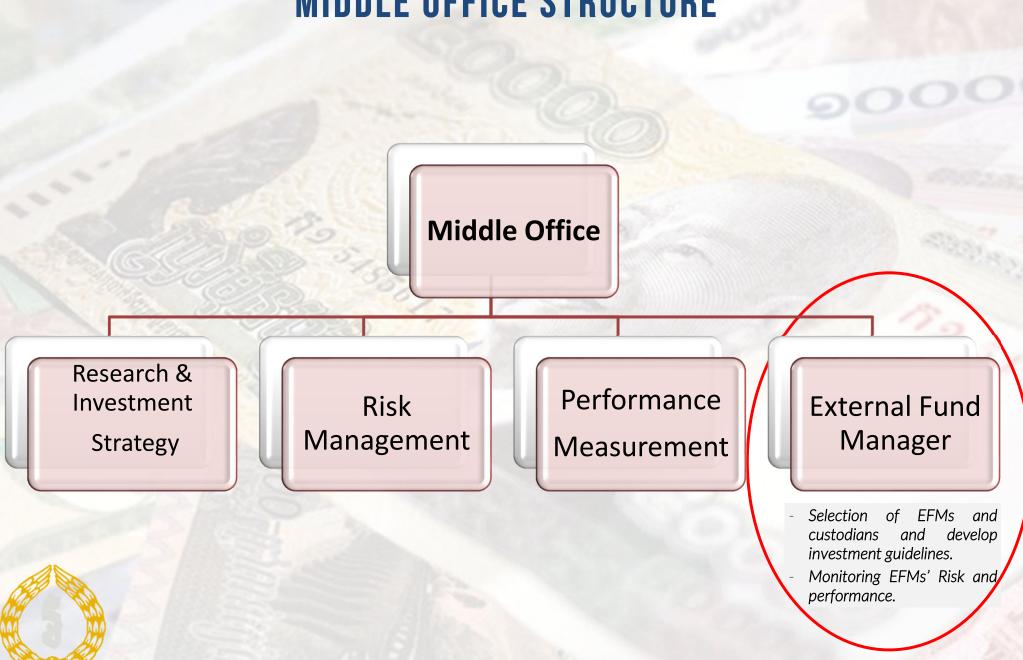
Front Office Middle Office International Settlement Office

**Back Office** 

Compliance Office Exchange Rate Office



## MIDDLE OFFICE STRUCTURE



## II. FX RESERVES GOVERNANCE















Laws

Law on the Organization and Conduct of the NBC



Approves the Investment Policy (IP)

#### **Investment Committee**

Approves the Investment Guidelines (IG)

#### **Exchange Management Department**

Implements the approved IP and IG



## II. FX RESERVES GOVERNANCE

#### WHO DEFINE WHAT?

Articulate objectives and investment horizon Board of Director Set the Investment Policies Define Risk Tolerance & Risk Budget Determine the size of tranches Eligible Asset Classes Investment **Currency Composition** Committee **Asset Allocation and Benchmark** Tactical Currency Composition Tactical Asset Allocation **Active Investment Decision** Exchange Yield Curve Exposure Management Dept. **Sector Allocation** Security Selection

## III. RESERVES STRUCTURE

#### DIVISION OF RESERVES TRANCHES

**Liquidity Tranche** 

- Reserve a certain level of liquidity to meet sudden demand
- USD current account and money market products (US T-bill, O/N, FD)

Investment Tranche

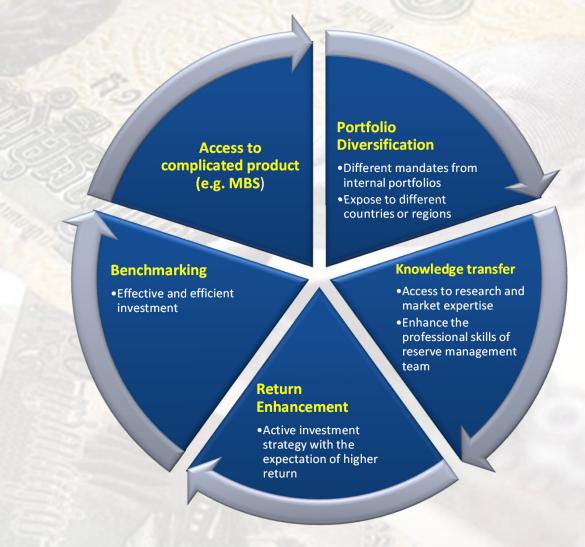
- Focus on higher returns while maintaining safety
- Short term to Medium term bonds of major sovereign
- Mainly for Internal Management Portfolios

Long Term Tranche

- Mainly focus on External Fund Manager
- Exposure to new products and advanced investment techniques
- Broader investment universe and more flexible guidelines
- Mainly, this tranche is using for ample reserve to <u>enhance</u> <u>portfolio Return and capacity building</u>

## III. EXTERNAL FUND MANAGER (EFM)

1)- The Purposes of having EFM



## III- EXTERNAL FUND MANAGER (EFM)

## 2- EFM DIRECTIVE

- We has its own "<u>Directive</u>" or so called EFM Framework
- The Directive sets clearly the framework for managing EFMs including;
  - ✓ Selection
  - ✓ Monitoring and
  - ✓ Evaluation procedures.
- The aggregate size of EFM is capped at 30% of the total reserve.

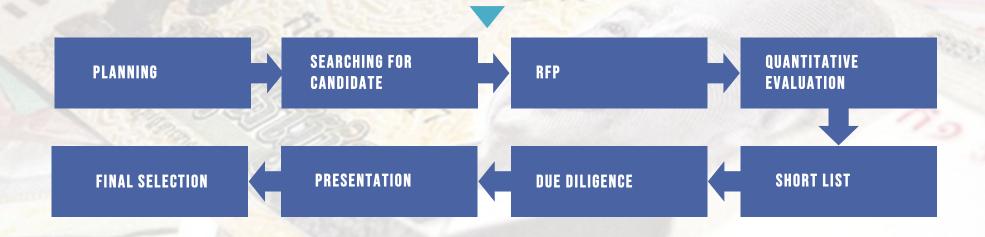




## 2.1- SELECTION PROCESS **Define structure of** external management program **Decision to maintain Manager selection** or dismiss external managers **Manager evaluation Legal agreements** Riel. Stability. Development. **National Bank of Cambodia**

## 2.1- SELECTION PROCESS

### 8 STEPS TO SELECT AN EXTERNAL MANAGER





## 2.1- SELECTION PROCESS

Looking for the candidates from the various sources (Mercer, websites, Forums...etc.)

#### Criteria for Shortlisted candidates

Company Profile (Assets, AUM, Management structure)

Credit rating

Historical performance

Experiences and Professionals



Request For Proposal (RFP)

## 2.1- SELECTION PROCESS

### **Selection Approaches**

- Quantitative
  - RFP
  - Other additional information
- Qualitative
  - Due diligence and
  - Oral presentation

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Scoring factor	Capacity (Professionals)
	Experience
	Investment process
	Strategy and Decision-making process
	Risk management
	Performance
	Supporting service and Post service



## 2.2- MONITORING

Investment Guideline for EFM must be consistent with the NBC's investment policy such as instruments, risk and return.

#### **Investment Guideline**

- Investment objective: eg. The portfolio shall achieve 30bps excess the BM in 3 years rolling period.
- Eligible Instruments
- Benchmark
- Management Fee
- Custodians
- Performance measurement
- Risk tolerance
- Knowledge sharing program



## 2.2- MONITORING

## **POST MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING**



#### **Performance Measurement**

 Comparing the Portfolio vs Benchmark return



#### **Risk Measurement:**

 Market and Credit risk such as Duration, VaR, TE and Credit rating ...etc.



#### **Reporting:**

 Weekly, Monthly, Quarterly and Yearly



## 2.2- MONITORING

## **POST MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING**

- Compliance monitoring: whether the portfolio comply with the IG
  - ✓ Reported by the custodian
  - ✓ NBC request/discuss with the manager to adjust the portfolio and gives 30 days for the adjustment
  - ✓ In Case the cost of the adjustment is huge impact, NBC can instruct the manager to hold the position and wait for the good time to dispose.
- Conduct frequently meeting with the Managers both virtually and physically to discuss on Strategy, Performance, Risk and the challenges.



## 2.3- EVALUATION PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

- ✓ NBC Evaluate the EFM for every 3 years based on the Performance Evaluation Methodology;
- ✓ The indicators;
  - Risk Adjusted Performance
  - Consistency of Return
  - > Level of Downside Risk

Giving the weight for each indicator

- ✓ Ranking the Managers by 1)-Own Improvement & 2)- Peer Comparison
  - → Based on the result, we will decide to **Continue/Terminate/Withdrawal**.

#### WE ALSO CONSIDER THIS





#### **Fund Withdrwals**

- •If 30bps Underperform BM in 3 consecutive years
- •If 130bps Underperform BM in 1 year

## 3- COST AND BENEFITS ANALYSIS OF EXTERNAL MANAGERS

	Benefit	Cost/Challenges
	Access to resources (knowledge sharing)	Risk are more difficult to control
	Access to best practice in the market and investment strategies	Require experiences in managing external managers
	Access to asset classes outside internal mandates to manage risk/return	Slows down the possibility of implementing changes in the portfolio
		Higher cost



