

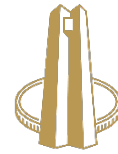


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Dear Industry Partners

As we settle into 2023, the Prudential Authority (PA) Transformation Programme Team would like to wish you a productive year ahead. We also want to thank you for your continued support of the PA transformation initiatives in 2023 and beyond.

Last year presented both highs and lows for the PA Transformation Programme. Our biggest challenge was the delay in implementing phase 1 of the Umoja portal. We thank you for staying the course with us and contributing to the key milestones highlighted below.

What we achieved in 2022

- The anti-money laundering and counter-financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) Umoja portal went live on 15 July 2022 for local banks, their foreign subsidiaries and life insurers to submit their regulatory returns.
- The Industry Data Taxonomy project was successfully concluded on 30 July 2022.
- Industry engagements were conducted to showcase the Umoja portal for the rest of the supervised institutions.

What to look forward to in 2023

1. Launch of Umoja phase 1

The Umoja portal will go live for the rest of the supervised institutions in March 2023. In preparation for this important milestone, the following key activities have been planned to ensure that all industry users are adequately prepared for the change that will be brought about by the implementation of the portal.

Activity	Description	Dates
Portal training	Virtual training sessions for the nominated portal users. Users are required to register for training	14 - 16 February 2023
Access to the portal sandbox	A training environment of the Umoja portal, allowing portal users to engage and get acquainted with the system	17 February – 31 March 2023
Virtual support centre	An MS Teams support centre will be made available to portal users for any queries	17 February – 31 March 2023

All nominated portal users must [click here](#) to register for training.

2. Umoja phase 2 implementation

- Planning for phase 2 of the project will kick off in March. Details will be shared with all stakeholders as they are finalised, with go-live planned for the first quarter of 2024.
- Various working groups comprising the PA and industry representatives will be set up for the duration of phase 2.

Reminder: Important primary and secondary user information required

Institutions were given a deadline of 31 January 2023 to complete the principal and secondary user information to gain access to the Umoja portal. **If you have not already done so, please [click here](#)** to complete the information. Alternatively, please complete the attached manual form if you are unable to access the web-based Microsoft form.

Important reminder: help us to keep in touch with you

To ensure that communication from the PA Transformation Programme reaches you timeously, please provide us with your information by clicking [here](#). Please forward this link to any relevant contacts in your organisation.

For more information, email us at PA-Transformation@resbank.co.za or visit the [PA Transformation Programme webpage](#) for the latest news and updates.

Yours sincerely,

PA Transformation Programme Team

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