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## **MFSA Warning - APS Bank - Clone**

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The Malta Financial Services Authority ("MFSA" or "the Authority") has become aware of an entity by the name of **APS Bank**, **Club**' which has an internet presence

at <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100095211076995</u>. This website is using the details of an MFSA licenced company **APS BANK PLC.** Fraudsters are using the details and website contents of this genuine company in an effort to deceive the public.

The Authority would like to inform the public that APS BANK ,Club' is **NOT** a Maltese registered company **NOR** is it authorised to provide any financial services in or from Malta. Additionally, APS Bank, Club' has **NO association with APS Bank PLC** 

The website *https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100095211076995* therefore appears to be a **clone** of the website of the legitimate entity and the public should therefore refrain from undertaking any business or transactions with the false entity.

Maltese Registered Entity	Clone
APS BANK P.L.C	APS Bank ,Club'
https://www.apsbank.com.mt/	https://www.facebook.com/profile.php? id=100095211076995
C 2192	N/A
APS Centre, Tower Street, Birkirkara, BKR4012, Malta	N/A
MFSA LICENCES: Credit Institution, Investment Firm, Tied Insurance Intermediary, De Minimis AIF Manager	Unlicensed

The MFSA would like to remind consumers of financial services not to enter into any financial services transaction unless they have ascertained that the entity with whom the transaction is

being made is authorised to provide such services by the MFSA or another reputable financial services regulator. A list of entities licensed by the MFSA can be viewed on the official website of the Authority at https://www.mfsa.mt/financial-services-register/.

For more information on clone companies please refer to the Scam Detection Guidelines issued by the MFSA at https://www.mfsa.mt/consumers/scams-warnings/typical-scams/ and the MFSA scam awareness document to keep yourself informed on red flags. If you are a victim of a scam or think you might be dealing with an unauthorised entity or any other type of financial scam, first of all stop all transactions with the company and contact the MFSA at https://www.mfsa.mt/about-us/contact/ as soon as a suspicion arises.

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