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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Prime Minister Davis Proclaims October 2022 “Investor Education Month”

*Nassau, The Bahamas, 3 October 2022.* The Securities Commission of The Bahamas (the Commission) announced today that Prime Minister the Hon Phillip Davis, has proclaimed October 2022 “Investor Education Month”.

The proclamation recognizes the role financial literacy and investor education will have in rebounding and growing the economy in the aftermath of recent health and climate events and the need for citizens and the community to undertake measures to ensure their financial resilience.

WIW is an initiative of the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO), the global standard setter for securities markets regulation. The global campaign raises awareness about the importance of investor education and protection and the work of IOSCO member securities regulators in these critical areas. IOSCO identified investor resilience and sustainable finance as the main themes of the WIW 2022 campaign messaging.

Read the proclamation and learn more about the Commission’s WIW 2022 activities, investor education and more on the Commission’s website <https://www.scb.gov.bs/> and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/securitiescommission.bah>. Learn more about World Investor Week at [www.worldinvestorweek.org](http://www.worldinvestorweek.org).



WORLD  
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WEEK 2022

Securities Commission of The Bahamas celebrates World Investor Week 2022

3-9 October

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**Editor's Information:**

1. The Securities Commission of The Bahamas (the Commission) is a statutory body established in 1995 pursuant to the Securities Board Act, 1995. That Act has since been repealed and replaced by new legislation.
2. The Commission's mandate is defined in the Securities Industry Act, 2011 (SIA, 2011).
3. The Commission is responsible for the administration of the SIA, 2011 and the Investment Funds Act, 2019 (IFA), which provides for the supervision and regulation of the activities of the investment funds, securities and capital markets.
4. The Commission is responsible for administering the Financial and Corporate Service Providers Act, 2020.
5. The Commission is responsible for the administration of the Digital Assets and Registered Exchanges Act, 2020.
6. The functions of the Commission are to:
  - advise the Minister on all matters relating to the capital markets and its participants;
  - maintain surveillance over the capital markets and ensure orderly, fair and equitable dealings in securities;
  - foster timely, accurate, fair and efficient disclosure of information to the investing public and the capital markets;
  - protect the integrity of the capital markets against any abuses arising from financial crime, market misconduct and other unfair and improper practices;
  - promote an understanding by the public of the capital markets and its participants and the benefits, risks, and liabilities associated with investing;
  - create and promote conditions that facilitate the orderly development of the capital markets; and
  - perform any other function conferred or imposed on it by securities laws or Parliament (SIA, 2011, s.12).