

**THE INTEGRATED EXCHANGE (PTY)
LTD
ANNUAL REPORT
FY 2024**



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Introduction

This Annual report is prepared inline with Board Notice 101 of 2013 together with the Financial Markets Act, 2012. The report has been structured to comply with the information required in the board Notice and provide an overview of how The Integrated Exchange (Pty) Ltd has functioned during the 2024 Financial Year, ended 31 March 2024.

The Integrated Exchange (Pty) Ltd, herein referred to as I-Ex, was previously known as Equity Express Securities Exchange (Pty) Ltd (ESEE) and underwent a name change and rebranding in March 2024. The name change has been well received in the market and I-Ex is conducting a comprehensive marketing campaign to ensure that all existing and potential customers are aware of the name change as well as the services that the exchange provides.

Members of Controlling Body

I-Ex Board

March 2024 (Financial Year End)
Sarita Martin (Chairman)
Richard Andrews (Non-Executive)
Madeleine Kotze (Non-Executive)
Mark Currie (Non-Executive)
Noah Greenhill (Non-Executive)
Shaun Read (Non-Executive)
Anthony Wilmot (Executive)
Flynn Robson (Executive)

The controlling body of I-Ex has remained unchanged for the 2024 Financial year and is committed to enhancing the governance of I-Ex.

I-Ex added a new committee in the 2024 Financial year, namely the Remuneration and Nominations committee. The committee is duly constituted with its own terms of reference and objectives.

Members of I-Ex Executive and Management Team

The I-Ex Executive and team, remains unchanged and is represented as follows:

Anthony Wilmot – CEO

Flynn Robson – Compliance and Risk Officer (Executive Director)

Nikki Clackworthy – Head of Operations

Colin Godleman – Head of Surveillance

Sindi Nkala - Administrator

Authorised Users, Participants and Clearing Members

There has been no change to the I-Ex prefunded model or to the members who partake in the I-Ex model.

All trades remain prefunded and are settled and cleared through the STRATE system.

Operational Report

Please see appendix A.

Auditors Report

Please see the signed Annual Financial Statements including the signed Independent Auditors report.

Summary of Market Information.

During the 2024 financial year I-Ex listed its first bond namely:

EXEO Finance – EXF01

This takes the total number of listings on I-Ex to 8 – namely 7 equities and 1 bond listing.

There were no delistings on I-Ex during FY 2024.

List of I-Ex Securities

Based on the information above, the following securities were listed on I-Ex and available for Trading as at 31/03/2024

Ukhamba 2 – UKH

Phuthuma Nathi – PN

Vunani Capital Partners – VCP

Northchester A – EXNCR

Northchester – EXNOR

ORA Pref Issuer 1 – EXOP1

ORA Pref Issuer 2 – EXOP2

EXEO Finance – EXF01

I-Ex Trading Statistics for the Financial Year ended 2024

I-Ex Listed Securities			
Issuer	Code	Value Traded	Volume traded
Phuthuma Nathi	EXPN	357 633 371	3 171 341
Ukhamba 2	EXUKH	5 844 271	280 522
Vunani Capital Partners	EXVCP	1 734 306	762 544
Northchester A	EXNCR	-	-
Northchester	EXNOR	-	-
ORA Pref Issuer 1	EXOP1	-	-
ORA Pref Issuer 2	EXOP2	-	-
Exeo Finance	EXF01	-	-

Application of King Code

Due to I-Ex's current size the company currently applies and complies with the Companies Act, but the Board and its committees recognise the principles and practices contained in King III and will apply certain of the principles and practices which are appropriate to I-Ex, in the governance practices of I-Ex.

A disciplined reporting structure ensures that the I-Ex Board, is fully apprised of activities, risks and opportunities. Business and governance structures have clear approval frameworks. Compliance, as well as progress with these practices, is monitored by the audit and risk committee and reported to the Board.

Operational Risk mitigation and operational Integrity report

Please see appendix B

Appendix A

CEO Operational Review Report

For the financial year ended 31 March 2024 I-Ex made a profit of R 1 246 345.

I-Ex management has strictly controlled their costs to ensure that they have sufficient cash on hand to easily cover more than 6 months expenses as required by the FMA.

The controlling body of I-Ex was satisfied with I-Ex's cost performance and we are working hard to increase the number of listings on the I-Ex platform and thereby increasing our revenue, as opposed to just focusing on keeping costs as low as possible.

Operationally I-Ex maintained the functionality of its systems satisfactorily with no reported downtime. All system software upgrades were done after hours resulting in no impact to the live trading system. The I-Ex check queries that run hourly continue to do so, thus ensuring the integrity of the I-Ex data and the I-Ex system. I-Ex regularly reviews the list of check queries to see if any further checks or balances need to be added to the system, to maintain functioning and integrity.

I-Ex maintains a complaints register and each individual complaint is reviewed as it is received. All complaints received this year had to do with matters provided by our Authorised User and these complaints were forwarded to them to be dealt with.

I-Ex performed its annual due diligence of both its Authorised Users and its Issuers and is satisfied with their compliance in terms of the Issuers listing requirements and regulations. We are also satisfied that our Authorised Users, following their reviews meet the requirements stipulated in the I-Ex rules. We believe the processes being followed are fair and transparent to both parties and that no issues or concerns were raised.

I-Ex continues to engage the market for new listings and is working on a pipeline for both equity and bond listings.

The I-Ex team remains committed to the success of the Exchange for all its stakeholders.

I-Ex is committed to working closely with both its Regulators, namely the FSCA and the PA, to ensure that I-Ex continues to meet its regulatory obligations.

Appendix B

Operational Risk Mitigation, Operational Integrity and related Issues.

During the 2024 Financial year I-Ex's operational systems proved robust and stable. There was no down time of the technology and the platform was available to Investors at all times. The system patches were run at weekends to ensure that all updates were installed on all servers (production, backups as wells the DR servers).

Disaster recovery tests were executed, the results documented and report to the board, with no issues being reported and the tests being conducted successfully.

I-Ex check queries in the system continue to run hourly to ensure the integrity of the data on the I-Ex platform. These are monitored by the I-Ex team. Should a check query fail, an email is sent to the I-Ex team and any failures are dealt with as quickly as possible.

All I-Ex risks are discussed in detail at the I-Ex Audit and Risk committee meeting and we make use of our strategic risk register to monitor the top strategic risks that I-Ex is dealing with at present. The strategic risks are rated according to I-Ex's tolerance scale, set out in its Risk framework and policy, and these are reviewed and adjusted based on conditions in the market.

At present the I-Ex Executive as well as the Audit and Risk committee are comfortable with the risk approach adopted by I-Ex and feel that we are managing the operational risks that we are faced with, in accordance with our risk appetite.