

to be completed by the bank

Customer Number (NRP)
Reasonableness verified by ( bank employee name signature):



**Self-Certification for entities (SC)**  
**with regard to the tax residence of Legal Entities for CRS and FATCA**

For joint or multiple account holders, please use a separate form for each account holder.

**Part 1 - Identification of the entity (account holder)**

Legal Name of Entity:
Current registered business address (do not state any postbox or in-care-of addresses): Street, number, postal code, town/city, country (no abbreviations)
Address of the place of effective management, if the country deviates from that of the current residence address (do not use a post office box or any in-care-of address): Street, number, postal code, town/city, country (no abbreviations)

**Was the legal entity incorporated or organized in the USA or under US law (including a US Trust), or is its tax residence in the USA?**

- Yes, the U.S. TIN<sup>1)</sup> is: \_\_\_\_\_ Please, also provide a completed and signed Consent to Report for FATCA.  
 The bank reserves the right to additionally request the IRS-form W-9 if deemed necessary.
- No

**In which country(ies) is the entity tax resident? Please list all respective countries.** In general, a legal entity is deemed to be tax resident in a jurisdiction if, subject to applicable local law, its registered address or effective place of management is situated in that country<sup>2)</sup> (i.e. unlimited tax liability). An entity such as a partnership, limited liability partnership or similar legal arrangement that has no residence for tax purposes shall be treated as resident in the jurisdiction in which its place of effective management is situated.

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Please provide a reasonable explanation below and **appropriate official documentary evidence** if the country/ies of residence for tax purposes differ/s from the country of current registered business address/place of effective management.

**Part 2 - Entity Type**

Please select the account holder's current entity type by ticking one applicable box. If you are unsure which status/Entity Type is applicable for the account holder, please consult your tax advisor. If you cannot clearly determine the entity type, the status passive legal entity (NFE/NFFE) has to be selected.

<p><b>I. Non-Financial Entities</b> (see explanations in the Annex)</p> <p><u>Active Entity (NFE/NFFE):</u></p> <p>a) Entity conducting operational business</p> <p>b) Corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets or a related entity thereof</p> <p>c) Governmental Entity or Central Bank</p> <p>d) International Organization</p> <p>e) Activities of a Holding Company (Non-FI Group)</p> <p>f) Entity not yet operating a business (e.g. start-up company)</p> <p>g) Entity in liquidation/reorganization</p> <p>h) Entity engaged in financing and hedging transactions of related entities (Non-FI Group)</p> <p>i) Entity established solely for religious, charitable, scientific, artistic, cultural, sporting, or educational purposes</p> <p><u>Passive Entity (NFE/NFFE):</u></p> <p>j) Passive NFE/NFFE (not an active NFE/NFFE)</p> <p><b>Please continue with part 3</b></p>	<p><b>II. Financial Institution (FI)</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> a) Investment Entity, which is not a FI of a CRS-participating country and is managed by another Financial Institution          (this entity is treated like a passive Non-Financial Entity; passive NFE)  <b>Please continue with part 3</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> b) Investment company other than the afore mentioned investment company</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> c) Custodial Institution, Depository Institution, Specified Insurance Company</p> <p>If the above-mentioned legal entity is a financial institution, please provide the Entity's GIIN, if available:  <b>GIIN:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Otherwise, please also provide a duly completed and signed IRS form "W-8BEN-E" or "W-8IMY" in addition to this Self Certification!</b></p>
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1) TIN = Taxpayer Identification Number. The TIN is the Identification Number for tax purposes (Taxpayer Identification Number). For further information please refer to the following OECD-website: <https://www.oecd.org/tax/automatic-exchange/crs-implementation-and-assistance/tax-identification-numbers/>.

2) The domestic laws of the various jurisdictions lay down the conditions under which an Entity is to be treated as fiscally "resident". Generally, an Entity will be resident for tax purposes in a jurisdiction if, under the laws of that jurisdiction (including tax conventions), it pays or should be paying tax therein by reason of its his domicile, residence, place of management or incorporation, or any other criterion of a similar nature (in general=unlimited tax liability), and not only from sources in that jurisdiction. For further information please refer to the following website: <https://www.oecd.org/tax/automatic-exchange/crs-implementation-and-assistance/tax-residency/>

**Part 3 - Identification of the Controlling Person(s) (to be completed for passive NFE/NFFEs [2.I.j]) and Investment Entities treated as such [2.II.a]) only**

1.	Title, Surname(s)/First Name(s):	Main residential address (street address, postal code, town/city, country):	
	Date of Birth:		
	Place of Birth, Country of Birth:		
	1. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:
	2. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:
2.	Title, Surname(s)/First Name(s):	Main residential address (street address, postal code, town/city, country):	
	Date of Birth:		
	Place of Birth, Country of Birth:		
	1. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:
	2. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:
3.	Title, Surname(s)/First Name(s):	Main residential address (street address, postal code, town/city, country):	
	Date of Birth:		
	Place of Birth, Country of Birth:		
	1. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:
	2. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:
4.	Title, Surname(s)/First Name(s):	Main residential address (street address, postal code, town/city, country):	
	Date of Birth:		
	Place of Birth, Country of Birth:		
	1. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:
	2. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:
5.	Title, Surname(s)/First Name(s):	Main residential address (street address, postal code, town/city, country):	
	Date of Birth:		
	Place of Birth, Country of Birth:		
	1. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:
	2. Tax resident in:		TIN <sup>3)</sup> or reasonable explanation if no TIN is available:

If the current main residence address of one or more of the controlling persons differs from their country (or countries) of tax residence, please provide below an appropriate reasonable explanation and submit appropriate official documentary evidence.

**Is any of the Controlling Persons a U.S. Person<sup>3)</sup>?**

- Yes – please provide for each controlling U.S. person as well as for the legal entity also a completed and signed Consent to Report for FATCA. The bank reserves the right to request the IRS-form W-9 if deemed necessary. No<sup>4)</sup>
- No

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<https://www.oecd.org/tax/automatic-exchange/crs-implementation-and-assistance/tax-identification-numbers/> .

3) The Controlling Person is a U.S. person if he or she is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien. The Controlling Person is a U.S. citizen if he or she was born in the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, or the U.S. Virgin Islands or in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (after November 3, 1986) or if he or she is a naturalized U.S. citizen. If at least one of the parents of the Controlling Person is a U.S. citizen other requirements must be met as well to be regarded as U.S. citizen. Please visit <https://www.irs.gov/> for these specific requirements. The Controlling Person is a U.S. resident alien, if he or she possesses or has possessed a U.S. Green Card or meets the substantial presence test. Please consult a tax advisor to determine which type of U.S. Green Card may qualify the Controlling Person as a U.S. person. Please visit <https://www.irs.gov/> for more information about U.S. Green Card or the substantial presence test. If the Controlling Person was born in the United States but is not a U.S. person, please provide the following additional Documentary Evidence: additionally to the copy of a valid non U.S. passport or non U.S. ID card (not a driver's license), please provide a copy of Certificate of Loss of Nationality (form DS-4083) of the United States, or another appropriate official document which refutes the US citizenship or a reasonable explanation why the Controlling Person did not obtain US citizenship at birth. For further information please refer to the following website: <https://www.irs.gov/> 4) In case of U.S. Indicia the bank reserves the right to additionally request the IRS-form W-8BEN if deemed necessary

#### Part 4 - Declaration and Signature

I acknowledge that data of the entity (and in certain cases also data of the controlling person/s) as well as account-related data, shall be either

- a) reported to the Albanian Tax Authorities under the legal provisions of the Law 4/2020 dated 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020 in the case of tax residence in a participating jurisdiction, and forwarded by this Authority to the tax authorities of the respective country(ies) of tax residence or
- b) reported to the US IRS (Internal Revenue Service) under "Fatca -RBI Group standards for client's identification, reporting and withholding" and "RBAL local Fatca internal regulation" in the case of tax residence in the USA

In general the following data will be reported: Company name and address, country/countries of tax residence, tax identification number(s), classification of the legal entity (active or passive legal entity), account number(s), account balance(s), gross proceeds (interest and, in the case of custodial accounts, also dividends, gross sales proceeds and other payments); in the case of passive legal entities, the following additional information about the controlling persons: Name, date/place/country of birth, main residence address, country (countries) of tax residence, tax identification number(s).

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information on this form and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct, and complete. I agree that I will inform Raiffeisen Bank Albania if any certification made on this form becomes incorrect and submit a new form within 30 days.

I understand and agree that this self-certification is valid for all Raiffeisen Bank Albania subsidiaries.

I declare that all statements made in this declaration are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct and complete. I undertake to advise Raiffeisen Bank Albania within [30] days of any change in circumstances which affects the tax residency status of the individual identified in this form or causes the information contained herein to become incorrect or incomplete, and to provide Raiffeisen Bank Albania with a suitably updated self-certification and Declaration within 90 days of such change in circumstances..

Signature: (Name, Surname, Signature)\* \_\_\_\_\_

(Name, Surname)\* \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \* \_\_\_\_\_

Note: If you are not the Account Holder please indicate the capacity in which you are signing the form. If signing under a power of attorney, please also attach a certified copy of the power of attorney

Capacity: \* \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I have the capacity to sign for the entity identified on line 1 of this form

\_\_\_\_\_  
Place, Date (DD/MM/YYYY)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name, Position/Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature(s) (legally binding)

## EXPLANATIONS – USED ABBREVIATIONS OR DEFINITIONS OF TERMS

If you have any questions about how to complete this form or how to determine your tax residence, please contact your tax adviser or your local tax authority. The financial institution maintaining the account may not provide any tax advice. Additional information on the Automatic Exchange of Information can be found on our website.

**CRS** = Common Reporting Standard of the OECD for the international automatic exchange of information about financial accounts. In Albania the CRS was implemented with the Law nr 4/2020 dated 31.01.2020

**FATCA** = Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act; a US tax law which is aimed at identifying US persons who hold financial assets outside the USA.

The government of the Republic of Austria has concluded an agreement with the government of the United States called "Agreement between the Republic of Austria and the United States of America for Cooperation to Facilitate the Implementation of FATCA", short "Intergovernmental Agreement" or IGA, which was implemented in Austrian Federal Law on 02.02.2015 through publication in the Austrian Federal Law Gazette, BGBl. III No. 16/2015. RBAL, as an entity of RBI, is FATCA compliant and implements FATCA as a Participating FFI in NON IGA Country.

**GIIN** = Global Intermediary Identification Number for financial intermediaries, which is issued by the IRS for FACTA purposes to financial institutions based on their registration with the IRS

**Legal entity** = the term legal entity means a legal person or a legal construct, such as a stock corporation, a business partnership, a trust or a foundation. A legal entity, such as a business partnership, a limited liability partnership or a similar legal construct without a tax residence is deemed to be resident in the country in which its place of effective management is located. In that context, legal persons or legal constructs are treated as similar to a business partnership and a limited liability partnership if they are not subject to taxation in a participating country under local tax law. However, (in light of the broad applicability of the term controlling persons in trusts) in order to avoid duplicate reporting, a trust that is a passive NFE cannot be classified as a similar legal construct.

**Controlling Person (beneficial owner)** = a natural person who meets the requirements of Law 9917-2208 amended on Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorism financing.

"Beneficiary owner" means the individual or legal entity, which owns or, is the last to control a client and/or the person in whose interest a transaction is executed. This also includes the persons executing the last effective control on a legal person. The last effective control is the relationship in which a persons: a) owns, through direct or indirect ownership, the majority of stocks or votes of a legal entity, b) owns by himself the majority of votes of a legal entity, based on an agreement with the other partners or shareholders, c) de facto controls the decisions made by the legal person, d) in any way controls the selection, appointment or dismissal of the majority of administrators of the legal person

**a) Private foundations:** The beneficial owner(s) is that (are those) natural person(s) who hold the following positions:

- the Grantor(s)
- the named Beneficiaries
- in the case of a Class of Beneficiaries, also those persons who receive distributions of more than EUR 2,000 in one calendar year
- the foundation's Board Members
- any other natural person who exerts control over the foundation by any other means

**b) Public Foundation:** The beneficial owner(s) is that (are those) natural person(s) who hold the following positions:

- the Founders
- Members of the Foundation's Governing Board
- the Class of Beneficiaries
- any other natural person who exerts control over the foundation by any other means

**c) Trusts:** The beneficial owner(s) is that (are those) natural person(s) who hold the following positions:

- Settlor/Trustor
- Trustees
- Protector, where applicable
- Beneficiaries, as well as
- in the case of a Class of Beneficiaries, also those persons who receive distributions of more than EUR 2,000 in one calendar year
- as well as any other natural person who ultimately controls the Trust through direct or indirect ownership rights or by any other means.

**NFE/NFFE** = The terms NFE (Non-Financial Entity) and NFFE (Non-Financial Foreign Entity) describe legal entities that are not Financial Institutions.

**Passive NFE/NFFE** = means a legal entity (NFE/NFFE) that is not an Active NFE/NFFE, or an investment company as defined by § 59 (1) Z 2 GMSG that is not a Financial Institution in a jurisdiction participating in the CRS.

**Active NFE/NFFE** = legal entity (NFE/NFFE) that meets at least one of the following criteria:

- a) Entity conducting operational business: Less than 50 % of the NFE's gross income in the previous calendar year is passive income, and less than 50 % of the assets held by the NFE during the previous calendar year are assets that produce or are held for the production of passive income.
- b) Corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on an established securities market or a related entity thereof: : the stock of the NFE is regularly traded on an established securities market or the NFE is a Related Entity of an Entity the stock of which is regularly traded on an established securities market.
- c)/d) Governmental Entity, Central Bank or International Organization: The NFE is a governmental entity, an international organization, a central bank or a legal entity that is the sole owner of one or more of the aforementioned institutions. The term "International Organization" means intergovernmental organizations (including a supranational organization), that are comprised primarily of governments, that has in effect a headquarters or substantially similar agreement with the jurisdiction and the income of which does not inure to the benefit of private persons. Arrangements substantially similar to headquarters arrangements include, for example, arrangements that entitle the organization's offices or establishments in the jurisdiction (e.g. a subdivision, or a local or regional office) to privileges and immunities. Examples are: European Union, UNO, UNICEF, UNIDO, OECD etc.
- e) Activities of a holding: substantially all activities of the NFE consist (in whole or in part) of holding the outstanding stock of one or more subsidiaries, which conduct a different business activity than that of a financial institution, or in providing financing and services for these subsidiaries, with the exception that a legal entity does not meet the criteria for this status if it is active as an investment fund (or calls itself such), such as an equity capital fund, a venture capital fund, a leveraged buyout fund, or an investment instrument whose purpose is to purchase or finance companies and then to hold shares in these companies as capital assets.
- f) Entity not yet operating a business (e.g. start-up company): The NFE is not yet engaged in operational business and has also not operated any business in the past, however invests capital in assets with the intention of operating a different business to that of a financial institution; however, after a period of 24 months after its date of initial formation, the NFE no longer qualifies for this exception.
- g) Entity in liquidation or reorganization: The NFE was not a financial institution in the past five years and is in the process of liquidating its assets or is restructuring with the intention to continue or recommence operations in a business other than that of a Financial Institution.
- h) Entity engaged in financing and hedging transactions of related entities: The activity of the NFE consists primarily in financing and hedging transactions with or for associated legal entities that are not Financial Institutions, and it does not provide any financing or hedging services to legal entities that are not associated legal entities, provided that the group of these associated legal entities is primarily engaged in a business other than that of a Financial Institution.

- i) Entity established solely for religious, charitable, scientific, artistic, cultural, sporting, or educational purposes: The NFE meets all of the following requirements:
- it is established and operated in its jurisdiction of residence exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, artistic, cultural, athletic, or educational purposes; or it is established and operated in its jurisdiction of residence and it is a professional organization, business league, chamber of commerce, labor organization, agricultural or horticultural organization, civic league or an organization operated exclusively for the promotion of social welfare;
  - it is exempt from income tax in its jurisdiction of residence;
  - it has no shareholders or members who have a proprietary or beneficial interest in its income or assets;
  - the applicable laws of the NFE's jurisdiction of residence or the NFE's formation documents do not permit any income or assets of the NFE to be distributed to, or applied for the benefit of, a private person or non-charitable Entity other than pursuant to the conduct of the NFE's charitable activities, or as payment of reasonable compensation for services rendered, or as payment representing the fair market value of property which the NFE has purchased; and
  - the applicable laws of the NFE's jurisdiction of residence or the NFE's formation documents require that, upon the NFE's liquidation or dissolution, all of its assets be distributed to a Governmental Entity or other non-profit organization, or escheat to the government of the NFE's jurisdiction of residence or any political subdivision.

**Financial Institution** = The term Financial Institution means a Custodial Institution, a Depository Institution, an Investment Company or a Specified Insurance Company.

**Specified Insurance Company** = The term "Specified Insurance Company" means any Entity that is an insurance company (or the holding company of an insurance company) that issues, or is obligated to make payments with respect to, a Cash Value Insurance Contract or an Annuity Contract. An insurance company qualifies as Specified Insurance Company as soon as it offers one Cash Value Insurance Contract or Annuity Contract. Most life insurance companies would generally be considered Specified Insurance Companies.

**Differences in the classification under FATCA and CRS** = Please note that the Entity Classification under CRS and FATCA may deviate in specific individual cases.