

### FIRSTRAND BANK LIMITED

(Registration Number 1929/001225/06) (incorporated with limited liability in South Africa)

# Issue of ZAR35,000,000.00 Bond Linked Notes with a Maturity Date of 13 September 2024 Stock code FRS344 Under its ZAR60,000,000,000 Note Programme

This document constitutes the Applicable Pricing Supplement relating to the issue of the Notes described herein. Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the terms and conditions (the "Terms and Conditions") set forth in the Programme Memorandum dated 29 November 2011, as amended and updated from time to time (the "Programme Memorandum"). This Applicable Pricing Supplement must be read in conjunction with the Programme Memorandum. The Notes described herein are issued on and subject to the Terms and Conditions as amended and/or supplemented by the terms and conditions contained in this Applicable Pricing Supplement. To the extent that there is any conflict or inconsistency between the contents of this Applicable Pricing Supplement and the Programme Memorandum, the provisions of this Applicable Pricing Supplement shall prevail. Subject to as provided below, any capitalised terms not defined in this Applicable Pricing Supplement shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Terms and Conditions. To the extent that certain provisions of the *pro forma* Pricing Supplement do not apply to the Notes described herein, they may be deleted in this Applicable Pricing Supplement or indicated to be not applicable.

# **Description of the Notes**

1. Issuer: FirstRand Bank Limited

2. Status of Notes: Senior Unsecured Unsubordinated

3. Form of Notes: Listed Registered Notes.

Series Number: 344
 Tranche Number: 1
 Specified Currency of the Notes: ZAR

7. Aggregate Nominal Amount:

(a) Series: ZAR35,000,000
 (b) Tranche: ZAR35,000,000
 Nominal Amount per Note: ZAR1,000,000

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Specified Denomination and

number of Notes:

9.

ZAR1,000,000 and 35 Notes

10. Issue Date of the Notes: 13 September 2023

11. Issue Price of the Notes: 100% (one hundred percent) of par

12. Relevant Stock Exchange: JSE13. Integral multiples of Notes N/A

required for transfer:

14. Type of Notes: Structured Notes 15. If Structured Notes: Type of Structured Notes: Non-Standard Structured Notes (a) (b) Capital guarantee: No 16. Deposit Notes No Redemption/Payment Basis: 17. Other: as set out in paragraph 36 18. Automatic/Optional Conversion from one Redemption/Payment Basis to another: 19. Partly Paid Note Provisions: N/A Provisions relating to interest (if any) payable on the Note 20. **General Interest Provisions** Interest payable on the Yes (a) Note: Fixed Rate Notes (b) **Interest Basis:** (c) Automatic/Optional N/AConversion from one Interest Basis to another: (d) Interest Commencement Issue Date Date: N/A Default Rate: (e) 21. **Fixed Rate Note Provisions:** Applicable (a) Interest Rate(s): 11.96% per annum nacs (b) Interest Payment Date(s): 13 March 2024 and 13 September 2024, or, if such day is not a Business Day, the Business Day on which interest will be paid adjusted in accordance with the applicable Business Day Convention (as specified in this Applicable Pricing Supplement). (c) Interest Period(s): Each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date and ending on (but excluding) the following Interest Payment Date; provided that the first Interest Period will commence on (and include) the Interest Commencement Date and end on (but exclude) 13 March 2024 (each Interest Payment Date as adjusted in accordance with the applicable Business Day Convention). N/A (d) Fixed Coupon Amount(s): (e) Initial Broken Amount: N/A (f) Final Broken Amount: N/A Actual/365 (g) Day Count Fraction: 22. **Floating Rate Note Provisions:** N/A 23. **Zero Coupon Note Provisions**: N/A

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**Provisions:** 

**Provisions**:

Dual

Index Linked Interest Note

**Currency** 

**Mixed Rate Note Provisions:** 

N/A

N/A

N/A

Note

### Provisions relating to redemption

27. Exchange Rate Time: N/A

28. Maturity Date: 13 September 2024

29. Early Redemption following the occurrence of:

(a) Tax Event: Applicable
(b) Change in Law: Applicable
(c) Hedging Disruption: Applicable
(d) Increased Cost of Applicable Hedging:

(a) Other:

The first sentence of Condition 10.4 (Early Redemption following the occurrence of a Tax Event, Change in Law, Hedging Disruption and/or Increased Cost of Hedging) of the Terms and Conditions of the Notes shall be amended by the removal of the full stop at the end of that first sentence and the addition of the following words "and/or Reference Bond Early Redemption Event."

The following definitions shall be added to Condition 2 (*Interpretation*) of the Terms and Conditions of the Notes:

"Reference Bond Early Redemption Event" means the redemption of the Reference Obligation for any reason whatsoever, in whole or in part, prior to its final maturity date other than in accordance with, and as contemplated in, the terms and conditions of such Reference Bond, as determined by the Calculation Agent."

For the purposes of this paragraph 29(e), any Special Redemption Notice delivered by the Issuer to the Noteholders shall, notwithstanding the provisions of Condition 22.1 (*Notice by the Issuer*) to the contrary, only be made by way of announcement on the Stock Exchange News Service of the JSE ("SENS") by no later than 1 Business Day following the occurrence of the Reference Bond Early Redemption Event.

The Early Redemption Date for the purposes of this paragraph 29(e) shall be the date specified by the Issuer in the Special Redemption Notice, which Early Redemption Date will be at least 3 Business Days after the Reference Bond Early Redemption Event or any date thereafter

30. Early Redemption at the Option of the Issuer:

**Applicable** 

(a) Optional Redemption Date[s]:

The date specified as such in the Issuer Redemption Notice.

(b) Optional Redemption Amount[s] and method, if any, of calculation of such amount[s]: The Early Redemption Amount as set out in paragraph 37

(c) Optional Redemption Payment Date:

Optional Redemption Date.

(d) Notice period:

At least 10 (ten) calendar days' notice. For the purposes of this paragraph 30, any Issuer Redemption Notice delivered by the Issuer to the Noteholders shall only be made by way of announcement on SENS.

(e) If redeemable in part: N/A 31. Early Redemption at the Option N/A of the Noteholders: 32. Valuation Date: N/A 33. Valuation Time: N/A 34. Market Disruption Event: N/A 35. Averaging Dates: (a) N/A of (b) Consequences an N/A Averaging Date being a Disrupted Day:

#### 36. Final Redemption Amount:

100% of the Aggregate Nominal Amount

In cases where the Note is an Indexed Linked Redemption Note or other variable-linked Note:

(a) Index/Formula/variable: N/A

Party responsible (b) for calculating Final the Redemption Amount (if not the Calculation Agent):

N/A

(c) **Provisions** for determining Final Redemption Amount where calculated reference to Index and/or Formula and/or variable:

N/A

(d) Determination Date[s]: N/A N/A

Provisions (e) for determining Final Redemption where calculation impracticable otherwise disrupted:

Amount reference to Index and/or Formula and/or other variable is impossible or

(f) Payment Date: N/A

Minimum Final N/A (g) Redemption Amount:

(h) Maximum Final N/A Redemption Amount:

#### 37. Early Redemption Amount:

Means the amount in South African Rands determined by the Calculation Agent which will act in good faith and use commercially reasonable procedures to produce a commercially reasonable result, and shall equal the amount, expressed in South African Rands, of the aggregate proceeds that are or would be realised by the Issuer in relation to the early redemption of the Notes after settling or disposing of the Hedging Positions, (which will be early terminated by the Issuer), provided that such amount so calculated shall not be less than zero.

38. Settlement Currency:

ZAR

39. The maximum and minimum number of Business Days prior to the Early Redemption Date on which Issuer Redemption Notices and Special Redemption Notices must be given by the Issuer:

10 (ten) calendar days

40. Time for receipt of Early Redemption Notice and/or Noteholder's Notice:

10:00 am Johannesburg time, as stated in the Terms and Conditions

41. Redemption Notice Time:

10:00 am Johannesburg time, as stated in the Terms and Conditions

42. Procedures for giving Issuer Redemption Notice if other than as specified in Condition 11.3 (*Redemption Notices*):

N/A

43. Procedure for giving Special Redemption Notice if other than as specified in Condition 11.3 (*Redemption Notices*):

N/A

44. Basis for selecting Notes where Daily Maximum Amount is exceeded if other than on a pro rata basis:

N/A

45. Additional provisions relating to the redemption of the Notes:

46. **Instalment Note Provisions**: N/A

47. Exchangeable Notes Provisions: N/A

48. Equity Linked Notes, Equity Basket Notes Provisions:

N/A

49. Single Index Notes, Basket of Indices Notes Provisions:

N/A

50. Currency Linked Notes Provisions:

N/A

51. Credit Linked Notes
Provisions:

N/A

52. Commodity Linked Notes Provisions:

N/A

### Provisions relating to settlement

53. Settlement type: Cash Settlement

54. Board Lot: N/A

55. Currency in which cash N/A settlement will be made:

56. Early Redemption Payment Date: Early Redemption Date

57. Clearing System: Strate

58. Physical Delivery Date: As defined in Condition 2 (*Interpretation*)

### **Definitions**

59.	Definition of Business Day:	As defined in Condition 2 (Interpretation)		
60.	Definition of Exchange Business Day:	As defined in Condition 2 (Interpretation)		
61.	Definition of Maturity Notice Time:	As defined in Condition 2 (Interpretation)		
62.	Definition of Issuer Tax Event:	N/A		
General Provisions				
63.	Business Day Convention:	Modified Following Business Day Convention		
64.	Relevant Clearing System:	Strate		
65.	Last Day to Register:	By 5:00pm on 8 March 2024 and 8 September 2024, or if such day is not a Business Day, the Business Day before each Books Closed Period		
66.	Books Closed Period[s]:	The Register will be closed from 9 March 2024 to 13 March 2024 and 9 September 2024 to 13 September 2024 (both dates inclusive)		
67.	Determination Agent:	FirstRand Bank Limited (acting through its Rand Merchant Bank division)		
68.	Specified Office of the Determination Agent:	1 Merchant Place, cnr Rivonia Road and Fredman Drive, Sandton, 2196		
69.	Specified Office of the Issuer:	1 Merchant Place, cnr Rivonia Road and Fredman Drive, Sandton, 2196		
70.	Calculation Agent:	FirstRand Bank Limited (acting through its Rand Merchant Bank division)		
71.	Specified Office of the Calculation Agent:	1 Merchant Place, cnr Rivonia Road and Fredman Drive, Sandton, 2196		
72.	Paying Agent:	FirstRand Bank Limited (acting through its Rand Merchant Bank division)		
73.	Specified Office of the Paying Agent:	1 Merchant Place, cnr Rivonia Road and Fredman Drive, Sandton, 2196		
74.	Transfer and Settlement Agent:	FirstRand Bank Limited (acting through its Rand Merchant Bank division)		
75.	Specified Office of the Transfer and Settlement Agent:	1 Merchant Place, cnr Rivonia Road and Fredman Drive, Sandton, 2196		
76.	Provisions relating to stabilisation:	N/A		
77.	Stabilising manager:	N/A		
78.	Additional Selling Restrictions:	N/A		
79.	ISIN No.:	ZAG000199340		
80.	Stock Code:	FRS344		
81.	Method of distribution:	Non-syndicated		

82.	If syndicated, names of Managers	s: N/A
83.	If non-syndicated, name of Dealer:	of FirstRand Bank Limited (acting through its Rand Merchant Bank division)
84.	Governing law (if the laws of South Africa are not applicable):	of N/A
85.	Other Banking Jurisdiction:	N/A
86.	Surrendering of Notes in the cas of Notes represented by Certificate:	
87.	Use of proceeds:	General Corporate Purposes
88.	Pricing Methodology:	N/A
89.	Ratings:	zaAA National Scale Long Term rated by S & P Global Ratings as at 26 November 2019, which may be reviewed from time to time.
		For the avoidance of doubt, the Notes have not been individually rated
90.	Receipts attached?	No
91.	Coupons attached?	No
92.	Stripping of Receipts and/o Coupons prohibited as provided in Condition 18.4 ( <i>Prohibition of Stripping</i> ):	n
93.	Any Conditions additional to, of modified from, those set forth if the Terms and Conditions:	
	(a) Physical Settlemen Option of the Issuer:	nt Applicable
	(1) Physical Settlement Date[s]:	nt 13 September 2024
	(2) Physical Settlement provisions:	The Issuer may elect, at its sole discretion, to physically settle the Note by delivery of a nominal amount of the Reference Bond ("Bond Nominal"), determined in accordance with the formula below, on the Physical Settlement Date, in which case the Issuer shall notify the Noteholders by delivery of an Issuer Redemption Notice
		$Bond\ Nominal\ = \qquad \frac{Aggregate\ Nominal\ Amount\ \times \sqrt{\beta}}{10,000}$
		Where $\beta = 131,294,508$
	(3) Notice period:	No later than 17:00 Johannesburg time 4 Business Days' prior to the Maturity Date
	(b) Reference Bond:	Issuer: Republic of South Africa
		Maturity: 31 March 2032

Coupon: 8.25% NACS

ISIN: ZAG000107004

SA Government Bond Identifier: R2032

94. The following Relevant
Annex(es) and further provisions
shall apply to the Notes

N/A

95. Total Notes in Issue: ZAR 35,285,769,608.97

96. Material Change Statement: The Issuer hereby confirms that as at the date of this Applicable

Pricing Supplement, there has been no material change in the financial or trading position of the Issuer and its subsidiaries since the date of the Issuer's latest interim financial report for the six months ended 31 December 2022. This statement has not been

confirmed nor verified by the auditors of the Issuer.

### **Responsibility:**

The Issuer certifies that to the best of their knowledge and belief there are no facts that have been omitted which would make any statement false or misleading and that all reasonable enquiries to ascertain such facts have been made as well as that the Programme Memorandum together with this Applicable Pricing Supplement contains all information required by law and the Debt Listings Requirements. The Issuer accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in the Programme Memorandum and the annual financial statements and/or the Pricing Supplements, and/or the annual report of the Issuer and any amendments or supplements to the aforementioned documents, except as otherwise stated therein.

The issuance of the Notes contemplated in this Applicable Pricing Supplement will not result in the authorised amount contained in the Programme Memorandum being exceeded.

## Limitation of liability:

The JSE takes no responsibility for the contents of the Programme Memorandum and the annual financial statements and/or the pricing supplements and/or the annual report of the Issuer and any amendments or supplements to the aforementioned documents. The JSE makes no representation as to the accuracy or completeness of the Programme Memorandum and the annual financial statements and/or the pricing supplements and/or the annual report of the Issuer and any amendments or supplements to the aforementioned documents and expressly disclaims any liability for any loss arising from or in reliance upon the whole or any part of the aforementioned documents. The JSE's approval of the registration of the Programme Memorandum and listing of the debt securities is not to be taken in any way as an indication of the merits of the Issuer or of the debt securities and that, to the extent permitted by law, the JSE will not be liable for any claim whatsoever.

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Applicable Pricing Supplement.

Application is hereby made to list this issue of Notes on 13 September 2023.

**SIGNED** at Sandton on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.

For and on behalf of For and on behalf of

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Name: Sorelle Gross

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