

KING IV APPLICATION REGISTER 20 21

AIR TRAFFIC AND NAVIGATION SERVICES (SOC) LTD

Application of	of the King IV principles	Currer Status
Leadership,	ethics and corporate citizenship	
Leadership		
Principle 1	The Board should lead ethically and effectively	
	Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS) board of directors (the Board) as a governing body, is committed and subscribes to good governance principles as set out in King IV [™] . The directors have the necessary competence to discharge their responsibility to provide strategic direction and control of the Company as provided for in the Board Charter and the Company's MOI ¹ .	Applied
	The Board operates in terms of its Board Charter. The Board has also adopted policies and practices that enable it to lead ethically and effectively. These include inter alia the Directors Conflict of Interest Policy, the Board and Committees meeting Code of Conduct (the Code) and ATNS Gifts Policy. Further as a practice the Board ensures that conflicts of interest are declared.	
	The Board supported by the Company Secretary, oversees and monitors compliance with the Conflict of Interest Policy.	
Organisatior	al ethics	
Principle 2	The Board should govern the ethics of the company in a way that supports the establishment of an ethical culture	
	The Board through the Social and Ethics Committee has oversight of and monitors ATNS activities regarding governance of ethics and ensuring that it is integrated and embedded in the operations and culture of the organisation.	Applied
	ATNS' Ethics and Business Conduct Policy enables a culture of entrenched values and norms that guide the behaviour of the Company's employees. The Policy aims to instil ATNS' shared value system which includes the broad values of accountability; safety and customer service; continuous improvement and innovation; employee engagement and development; fairness and consistency; open and effective communication; and zero harm to self, others and the environment.	
	The Code informs fraud and corruption awareness training; it is accessible to all ATNS employees on the Company's intranet. The Board monitors whistleblowing reporting through the Audit and Risk Committee. The Social and Ethics Committee receives the report for information on ethics matters This informs focus area on ethics programmes for the organisation. The hotline is managed by an external service provider.	
	The office of the Company Secretary supports the Board and the Company with ethics management and has commenced the implementation of a comprehensive ethics management programme to assist in strengthening and entrenching a culture of ethics across ATNS as well as and the implementation of the Board approved governance framework.	
Responsible	corporate citizenship	
Principle 3	The Board should ensure that the company is and is seen to be a responsible corporate citizen	
	ATNS has several segments responsible for corporate social responsibility focusing on rural development, community development, enterprise development and socio-economic development. ATNS is a good corporate citizen as it is committed to improving the quality of life in the communities in which it operates. This is done through the co-ordination and execution of the company's corporate social investment initiatives.	Applied
	A part of the CSI initiatives, ATNS donated Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) to disadvantaged schools including Science labs and mobile ICT solutions.	
	The Environmental and Sustainability department has processes and procedures in place that ensures that ATNS acts responsibly when it comes to the environment and sustainability. All these activities are imbedded in ATNS's policies.	
	The Board ensures compliance with relevant legislation and regulations through the Audit and Risk Committee.	

¹ Memorandum of incorporation

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Strategy, per	formance and reporting	
Strategy and	performance	
Principle 4	The Board should appreciate that the company's core purpose, its risks and opportunities, strategy, business model, performance and sustainable development are all inseparable elements of the value creation process	
	The Board approves the Company's strategy which is aligned with the purpose of the Company, the value drivers of its business and the legitimate expectations of its stakeholders and aimed at ensuring sustainability; and which takes into account the risks and opportunities.	Applied
	The Board concludes a shareholder's compact with the Minister of Transport on an annual basis. The key performance indicators are included in the shareholder's compact and reported to the shareholder on a quarterly basis, once considered by the Board.	
Reporting		
Principle 5	The Board should ensure that reports issued by the company enable stakeholders to make informed assessments of the company's performance, and its short, medium and long-term prospects	
	The Shareholder and National Treasury provides reporting requirements and ATNS conducts the organisation's reporting in line with that as overseen by the Board.	Applied
	The Board, through the Audit and Risk Committee, ensures that the necessary controls are in place to verify and safeguard the integrity of the annual financial statements, the Integrated Report and any other disclosures. The Business Research, Operations and Development Committee supports the Board with ensuring that the DoT Quarterly report is accurate. The Company complies with all required disclosures. In addition, the external audit and internal audit provide the assurance on the reporting and disclosure process.	Applie
	The integrated report provides appropriately balanced business and sustainability reporting in line with the principles of the King IV Report while meeting the information needs of the ATNS' diverse stakeholders. The Board provides its assurance on the integrity of the integrated report having reviewed the content prior to approval. There are effective controls in place to enable the Board to verify and safeguard the integrity of its integrated report.	
Primary role	and responsibilities of the Board	
Principle 6	The Board should serve as the focal point and custodian of corporate governance in the company	
,	The Board serves as the focal point and custodian of corporate governance within the Company. The Board is regulated by its Charter and its Committees by terms of reference. These set out the parameters within which they operate by defining their powers, roles and governance responsibilities, membership requirements, procedural conduct structure and Board processes as well as the process to be followed to obtain independent external advice. The Board Charter and the Committee Terms of Reference are reviewed annually.	Applied
	Furthermore, the Board convenes its meetings quarterly within the financial year. The Board has various sub-Committees which report to it on a regular basis. The Company's governance framework and corporate governance practices are disclosed in the Integrated Report.	

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Composition	n of the Board	
Principle 7	The Board should comprise the appropriate balance of knowledge, skills, experience, diversity and independence for it to discharge its governance role and responsibilities objectively and effectively	
	The process of appointing Board members at ATNS is formal and transparent. In terms of section 7 of the ATNS Act 45 of 1993, the Minister appoints Non-Executive Directors. The Board's requirements in terms of knowledge, skills, experience, diversity and independence are considered to enable the Board to discharge its governance role and responsibilities objectively and effectively.	Applie
	Non-Executive Directors have a three (3) year fixed term of office. In terms of the Company's MOI, a third of directors retire by rotation each year and are eligible for re- election by shareholders at the annual general meeting (AGM).	Applie
	Membership of the Board consists of majority of independent non-executive directors and Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer who are executive directors. The Board as part of its annual assessment assesses the skills of the Board in order to ensure that it is able to discharge its governance role and responsibilities objectively and effectively,	
Principle 8	The Board should ensure that its arrangements for delegation within its own structures promote independent judgement, and assist with balance of power and the effective discharge of its duties	
	The Board and its sub-Committees apply the principles of good governance. There is a clear balance of power to ensure that no individuals have undue decision-making powers.	Applie
	The Board Committees are appropriately constituted and have formal terms of reference, which clearly outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Committees. These are established and approved for each Committee and reviewed by the Board annually.	
	There is an approved delegation of authority Policy applied within the Company.	
	Audit and Risk Committee The Board has an Audit and Risk Committee which is established in line with King IV [™] recommendations. The Audit and Risk Committee is constituted as a statutory committee of the Board. The committee fulfills statutory duties assigned to it in terms of section 94 of the Companies Act as well as those assigned to it by the Board.	Applied
	This Committee has been established and has formal terms of reference which clearly outline the mandate of the Committee. ATNS being an organ of state is governed by the ATNS Act and the Public Finance Management Act. Members of the Committee collectively have necessary financial literacy, skills and experience. The Chairperson of the Audit Committee is an independent non-executive director. The Audit Committee meets with the internal auditors and external auditors in a closed session.	
	The Committee performs the functions as set out in the Companies Act. Adequate processes and structures have been implemented to assist the Committee in providing oversight and ensuring the integrity of financial reporting and internal control.	
	Committee responsible for nominations of members of the governing body	Explair
	The Board comprises of non-executive members appointed by the Minister of Transport and the CEO and CFO are executive members of the Board.	
	Committee responsible for risk governance	Applie
	The Audit and Risk Committee is the committee responsible for the risk governance of the organisation.	
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	Committee responsible for remuneration	/ upplies
	Committee responsible for remuneration The Remuneration and Human Capital Committee is the committee responsible for oversight of remuneration in the organisation.	7 ppilot

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Evaluations of	of the performance of the Board governing body	
Principle 9	The Board should ensure that the evaluation of its own performance and that of its committees, its chair and its individual members, support continued improvement in its performance and effectiveness	
	The performance of the Board and its committees are annually evaluated. An independent service provider was procured to conduct the performance assessment to ascertain the effectiveness of the Board during the 2019/2020 financial year. For 2020/2021 the Board performed a self-assessment of its performance. The recommendation made in the self-assessment will be incorporated into an action plan to enable action by the Board.	Applied
	The results of this assessment are discussed with each individual board member and reported to the Board as a whole.	
	The performance of the Board, its Committees and the directors are disclosed in the integrated report.	
Appointment	and delegation to management	
Principle 10	The Board should ensure that the appointment of, and delegation to, management contribute to role clarity and the effective exercise of authority and responsibilities	
	The Board approved a delegation of authority Policy in September 2020 which outlines the approval levels or limits materiality in relation to the ATNS business and it has reserved specific powers for its decision making and delegated certain powers for management. The Board reviews the delegation of authority every second year unless there are operational requirements that would necessitate a review prior to the two years. The Board is satisfied that ATNS is appropriately resourced and that its delegation to management contributes to an effective arrangement by which the authority and responsibilities are exercised.	Applied
Governance	functional areas	
	performance	
Principle 11	The Board should govern risk in a way that supports the company in setting and achieving its strategic objectives	
	The Board is ultimately accountable for governance of risk and assessment of opportunity. The responsibility for risk oversight by the Board is assigned in terms of the Board Charter and finds expression in the Risk Management Policy as approved by the Board. Risks are identified, rated and monitored through the Risk Register. Internal Audit undertakes an annual audit of the risk management process at ATNS.	Applied
	The Audit and Risk Committee is an integral component of the risk management process in that it is within the Audit and Risk Committee's mandate.	
Technology a	and information governance	
Principle 12	The Board should govern technology and information in a way that supports the company setting and achieving its strategic objectives	
	The Board has approved the IT governance framework and the IT strategy. The responsibility for implementation of IT governance strategy was delegated to Management and this is monitored through the IT Governance report which is presented to the Audit and Risk Committee and the Board on a quarterly basis. The Internal Audit function provides assurance on IT internal controls to the Audit and Risk Committee	Applied

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Compliance g	governance	
Principle 13	The Board should govern compliance with applicable laws and adopted, non- binding rules, codes and standards in a way that supports the company being ethical and a good corporate citizen.	
	ATNS has systems in place to ensure compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, codes and standards. The Board provides a statement of compliance in the Integrated report confirming that it satisfied itself with the extent of the ATNS' compliance to all applicable laws, regulations, codes and standards. The Audit and Risk Committee receives regulatory and compliance reports on a quarterly basis.	Applied
Remuneratio	n governance	
Principle 14	The Board should ensure that the company remunerates fairly, responsibly and transparently so as to promote the achievement of strategic objectives and positive outcomes in the short, medium and long term	
	The Non-Executive Directors are remunerated according to the provisions of the Board Remuneration Policy approved by Board. The shareholder provides on the rates to be paid as board fees annually.	Applied
	The Remuneration and Human Resource Committee on behalf of the Board assumes responsibility for the governance of remuneration by setting the direction for how remuneration should be approached and addressed on an organisation-wide basis. The remuneration of executive management is disclosed in the integrated report.	
Assurance		
Principle 15	The Board should ensure that assurance services and functions enable an effective control environment, and that these support the integrity of information for internal decision-making and of the company's external reports	
	ATNS maintains a system of internal financial control that is designed to provide assurances on the maintenance of proper accounting records and the reliability of financial information used within the business and for publication. The system contains self-monitoring mechanisms, and actions are taken to correct deficiencies as they are identified.	Applied
	A combined assurance approach has been implemented that assists in addressing control over the key risks facing the Company. Such risks and their mitigating controls are identified and controlled by management, within a risk framework determined by the Board, and the process is monitored and evaluated by both the risk and internal audit functions. The traditional three lines of defence have also been expanded as recommended in King IV where appropriate.	



Application of the King IV principles		Current Status
Stakeholder r	relationships	
Stakeholders		
Principle 16	In the execution of its governance role and responsibilities, the Board should adopt a stakeholder-inclusive approach that balances the needs, interests and expectations of material stakeholders in the best interests of the company over time	
	The Board considers the legitimate interests and expectations of its stakeholders in its decision- making in the best interests of the company in order to drive a sustainable and long-term value strategy for ATNS. The Board approved the Stakeholder Management Policy recommended by the Governance Committee enabling ATNS to foster and strengthen its relationships with the various stakeholders it interacts with.	Applied
	The environmental, social and governance factors in investment decision-making and practice affect the value of an investment and these are considered essential by the Board for responsible investments to promote good governance and creation of value by the companies in which it invests. The Board is responsible for monitoring the Company's relationship with stakeholders and is assisted by the Social and Ethics Committee and Governance committee.	
	Both the Social and Ethics Committee and Governance Committee has oversight of stakeholder management and engagement. Through regular reporting by the Social and Ethics Committee and Governance Committee, the Board is equipped with the necessary information to enable it to take the legitimate interests and expectations of stakeholders into account in its decision-making.	
Responsibilit	ies of Institutional Investors	
Institutional I	nvestors	
Principle 17	The governing body of an institutional investor organisation should ensure that responsible investment is practiced by the good governance and the creation of value by the companies in which it invests.	
	ATNS is governed by its own Act and its corporate mandate and does not include any of the activities described in the definition of an Institutional Investor.	Explaine

