## THE "SURINAAMSE FEDERATIE VAN BELASTINGADVISEURS"

The "Surinaamse Federatie van Belastingadviseurs" (SFB) is an interest group of tax service providers active in Suriname, which has developed over the years into an important stakeholder in the field of taxation in Suriname. From that position we strive to contribute where necessary to a balanced development of the general fiscal policy in Suriname, but especially the development of the levy and collection of taxes, which play an instrumental role in this.

It is the ambition of the SFB to strengthen its reputation with stakeholders and thus to be structurally involved as a discussion partner in tax-relevant matters. The SFB strives to make an active contribution to the tax debate with the knowledge available within the organization. SFB does this by acting as a discussion partner for policymakers in preparing measures to improve our tax system and to improve the functioning of the Tax and Customs Administration.

The accredited SFB tax advisors advise their clients in their daily work as "trusted advisor" about the tax opportunities for their business, within the limits of law and the professional rules of the organization.

The professional rules of SFB tax advisors stand for quality, integrity and transparency and are laid down in the SFB Regulations for Professional Practice, SFB Code of Conduct, which prescribes the rules that SFB members must adhere to in the exercise of their profession as tax advisors. The SFB Code of Conduct has been compiled on the basis of current international standards for professional organizations comparable to the SFB and regulates subjects such as integrity, professional ethics, compliance, independence, competence, agreements on fees and protection of client information.

By committing to the SFB Code of Conduct, the SFB tax advisor builds in a certain quality guarantee for its services and is allowed to present itself in practice as a Chartered Tax Advisor (CTA). In the same context, certain requirements are set for admission as a member. A continuing education program is also in preparation, aimed at training members and mentoring new members.

The board of the SFB consists of mr. Roy Shyamnarain (chairman), Farousha Rellum MSc. (secretary), mr. Liesbeth Kuenen (treasurer), Nazna Ishaak MSc. (Commissioner) and Mr. Siegfried Kenswil (Commissioner). If you would like to know more about the SFB, please visit the website <a href="https://www.sfb.sr">www.sfb.sr</a>.

