

# GOVERNMENT OF SAINT LUCIA P R O S P E C T U S

10-Year Treasury Bond - EC\$20.0 Million

**Ministry of Finance** 

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# **PROSPECTUS DATE: July 2023**

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This Prospectus and its contents are issued for the specific government issues described herein. Should you need advice, consult a person licensed under the Securities Act or any other duly qualified person who specializes in advising on the acquisition of government instruments or other securities.

# ABSTRACT

Reasons for Addendum:

## To cancel 10-year EC\$20.0million Treasury Bond.

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Issue Date	Instrument Type	Issue Amount	Maximum Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Trading Symbol
October 19, 2023	10-year Bond	EC\$20.0M	7.00%	October 19, 2033	LCG101033
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The Bonds and Notes will be issued under the authority of the The National Savings and Development Bonds (Amendment Act) Chapter 15.25 of 2005 and by Statutory Instrument 70 of June 2023. The Minister for finance considers it necessary to raise on the Regional Government Securities Market or through private placement at a maximum rate of 7.50%, the amount of EC\$427.0 Million for financing the 2023/2024 budget and the amount of EC\$357.0 Million for refinancing existing debt.

In June 2022, Caribbean Information and Credit Rating Services Limited (CariCRIS) has reaffirmed the assigned ratings of CariBBB- (Foreign and Local Currency Ratings) on its regional rating scale for the several rated debt issues of the Government of Saint Lucia (GOSL). These ratings indicate that the level of creditworthiness of these debt obligations, adjudged in relation to other debt obligations in the Caribbean, is adequate.

Bidding for each EC Dollar issue will commence at 9:00 a.m. and will close at 12:00 noon on each auction day and 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for each US Dollar issue subsequent to which a competitive uniform price auction will be run at 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon respectively.

The interest and principal repayments are a direct charge to the Consolidated Fund.

#### I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Issuer:	The Government of the Saint Lucia (GOSL)
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Date of Publication:	July 2023
Purpose of Issues:	The securities will be issued to provide budget support for the fiscal year 2023/2024 and to finance the re-issuance of maturing instruments.
Amount of Issue:	10-year Treasury Bond – EC\$20.0M
Legislative Authority:	The National Savings and Development Bonds (Amendment Act) Chapter 15.25 of 2005 and by Statutory Instrument 70 of June 2023.
Taxation:	Yields will not be subject to any tax, duty or levy by the Participating Governments of the Eastern Caribbean Currency Union (ECCU). The countries are Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, Saint Lucia, St Kitts and Nevis and St Vincent and the Grenadines.
Placement of Bids:	Investors will participate in the auction through the services of current licensed intermediaries who are members of the Eastern Caribbean Securities Exchange.
Minimum Bid:	EC\$5,000
Bid Multiplier:	EC\$1,000

Bids per Investor:	Each investor is allowed one (1) bid with the option of
	increasing the amount being tendered for until the close of
	the bidding period.

Licensed Intermediaries: The current list of licensed intermediaries is as follows:

- St. Kitts Nevis Anguilla National Bank Ltd.
- Bank of Nevis Ltd.
- Bank of Saint Lucia Ltd.
- Bank of St Vincent and the Grenadines Ltd.
- First Citizens Investment Services Ltd Saint Lucia
- Grenada Co-operative Bank Limited

Currency: All currency references are in Eastern Caribbean Dollars unless otherwise stated.

### **II. INFORMATION ABOUT THE ISSUE**

#### Government of Saint Lucia 10-year, EC\$20.0M Treasury Bond

The GOSL proposes to auction EC\$20.0 million in Treasury Bonds on the Regional Government Securities Market (RGSM) on October 19, 2023. The 10-year Treasury Bond will be listed on the Eastern Caribbean Securities Exchange Ltd (ECSE).

Size of Issue:	EC\$20.0 million Eastern Caribbean Dollars
Maximum bid price:	7.50 percent
Tenor:	10-year
Trading Symbol:	LCG101033
Trading Symbol: Issue Date:	<b>LCG101033</b> October 19, 2023

# ALL OTHER INFORMATION IN THIS PROSPECTUS REMAINS THE SAME