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## Professor Patrick Watson appointed new Chairman of the TTSEC

The Trinidad and Tobago Securities and Exchange Commission (TTSEC) announces the appointment of Professor Patrick K. Watson as its Chairman after the resignation of Ms. Deborah Thomas-Felix who was recently appointed President of the Industrial Court of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

Professor Watson is no stranger to the citizens of Trinidad and Tobago as he has been the University of the West Indies Director of the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social & Economic Studies (SALISES) and Professor of Applied Economics at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus for a number of years. Additionally, he previously served as Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences from 1995 to 2003.

The new Chairman is the holder of a Master's and a Doctoral degree in Mathematical Economics and Econometrics from the Université de Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne) and a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of Leeds. Professor Watson has served on the board of other state entities and was a Government Senator from June 2010-June 2011.

The Board of Commissioners, management and staff of the TTSEC look forward to the strategic direction of Professor Watson as the TTSEC continues its mandate of protecting and empowering the investor, promoting integrity and transparency and fostering the development of the capital market.

The TTSEC also takes this opportunity to thank its former Chairman, Ms. Deborah Thomas-Felix for her vision, dedication and strategic direction over the past two years and wishes her all success in her new position.

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