



CENTRAL DEPOSITORY &
SETTLEMENT CORPORATION
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OUR COMPANY PROFILE

2025

**EAST AND CENTRAL
AFRICA'S LEADING
SECURITIES DEPOSITORY
TRUSTED BY OVER ONE
MILLION INVESTORS.**

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ABOUT COMPANY

The Central Depository & Settlement Corporation Limited (CDSC) is Kenya's premier securities depository, authorized by the Capital Markets Authority (CMA) to provide automated clearing, settlement, and delivery services for transactions at the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE). We are a private company that offers essential services to ensure the efficient running of Kenya's Capital Markets.

CDSC plays a pivotal role in enhancing investor confidence by securely holding listed and non-listed securities on behalf of a growing base of over one million investors.

With a focus on innovation and global best practices, we are at the forefront of driving Kenya's capital market growth, introducing cutting-edge solutions such as Securities Lending and Borrowing (SLB), Digital account management, as well as Trading, Settlement and Registry platforms serving types of customers.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE MESSAGE



As a private company, we are proud to serve as the trusted backbone of Kenya's capital markets, providing secure and efficient depository, clearing, and settlement services. With over two decades of experience, we are committed to fostering transparency, reliability, and confidence for investors and stakeholders alike.

Since our inception, we have facilitated over 1.5 million customers to participate in the stock market, hold assets worth Ksh.1.4 Trillion, onboarded 43 Depository Agents and facilitated a remarkable 10 Initial Public Offerings.

We are dedicated to extending these capabilities to all the marketplaces we operate in and being the depository of choice to both listed and non-listed entities. We are constantly driving innovation to meet the evolving needs of the financial markets and our customers. By embracing technology and global best practices, we empower investors to efficiently access the Kenyan financial markets and guarantee transactional trust to all stakeholders, supporting economic growth, and positioning Kenya as a hub for capital market excellence in Africa.

CDSC is your trusted partner in navigating the future of capital markets.

OUR VISION & MISSION

VISION

Become the solution provider of choice for depository and settlement services.

MISSION

Facilitate marketplaces that are secure, transparent and efficient.

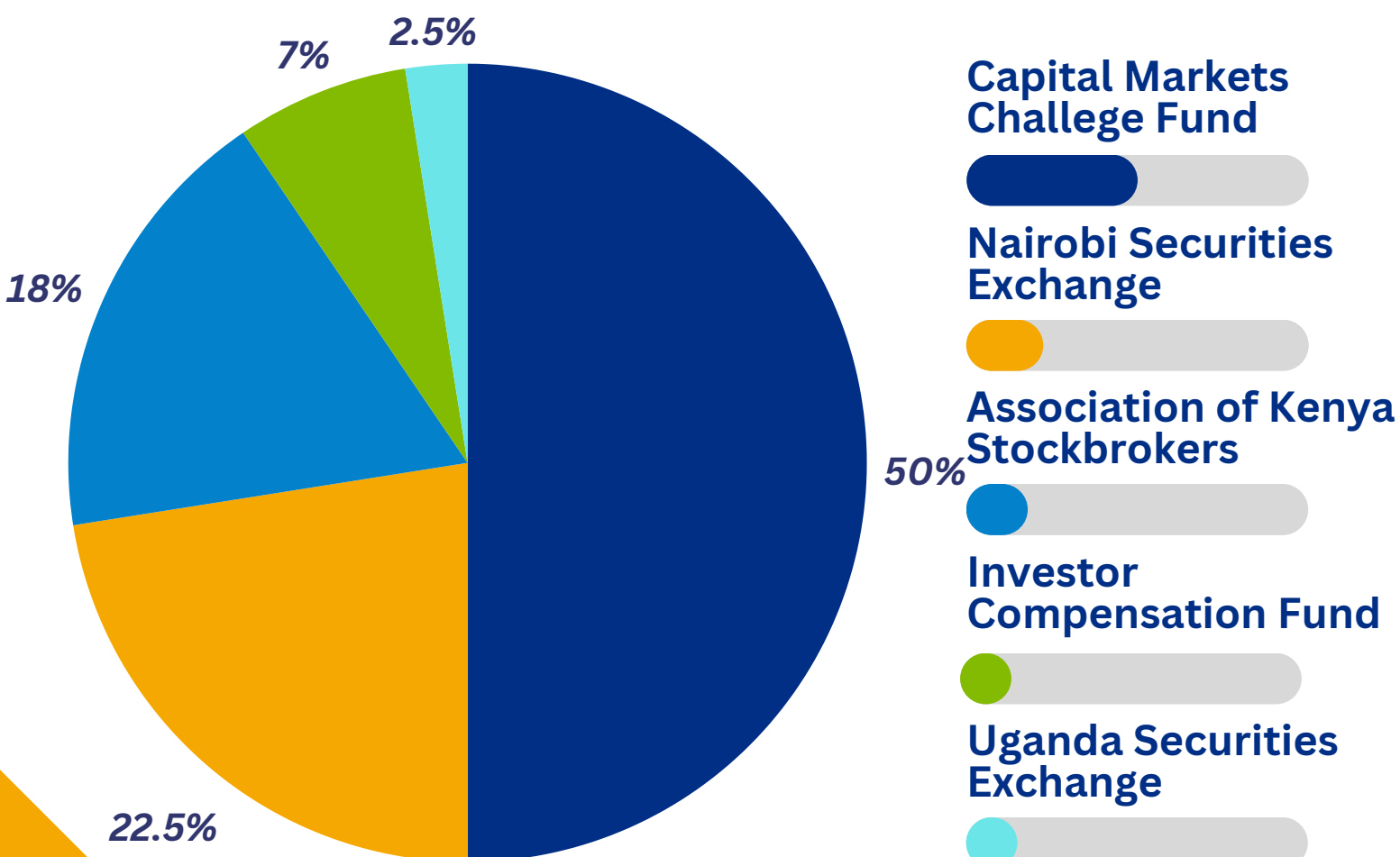
VALUES

- **Passion:** We are committed to delivering value to our customers.
- **Agility:** Our ability to move quickly and easily.
- **Simplicity:** Our solutions are easy to understand and use.
- **Innovation:** Turning new ideas into useful products.
- **Trust:** Our people and systems are reliable, professional, secure, ethical and capable.

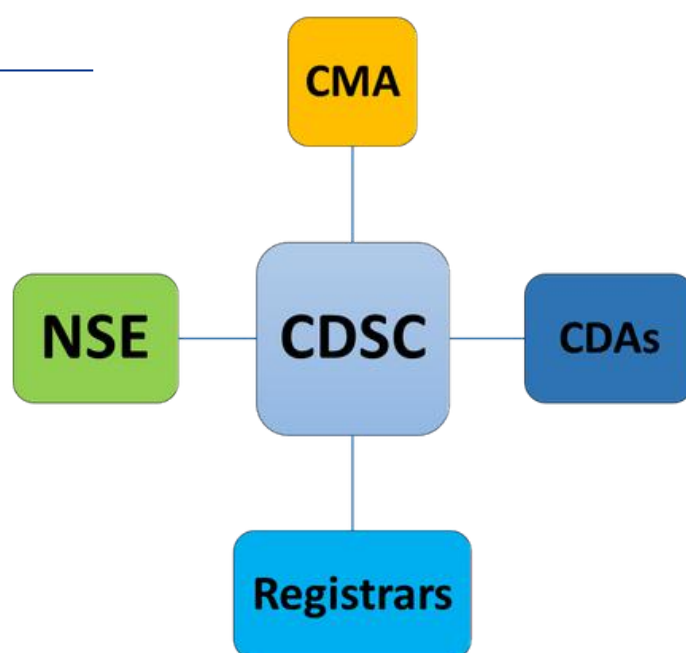
OUR JOURNEY



OUR SHAREHOLDERS



OUR PARTNERS



**Capital Markets Authority
Nairobi Securities Exchange
Central Depository Agents
Listed Companies
Registrars
The National Treasury
Central Bank of Kenya
Retirement Benefits Authority
Mobile Network Operators
Fund Managers
Unclaimed Financial Assets Authority
Regional and Global Depositories
Media
General Public**

OUR SERVICES

CDS ACCOUNT OPENING AND MAINTENANCE

The CDSC through our appointed Depository Agents facilitates the swift and efficient opening of CDS Accounts to both individuals and institutions and oversees the regular updates of client data. (Account information update, dividend disposal update, taxation status, source of funds, account closure etc.)

We also maintain client KYC details to ensure that the owner of each account is identifiable and contactable.

DEPOSITORY, CLEARING AND SETTLEMENT SERVICES

We uphold the integrity and security of Kenya's Capital Markets by ensuring the safe custody of investor data and shareholding records through continuous investment in advanced security features and upgrades to our Central Depository System (CDS).

The Kenyan stock market operates under the T+3 settlement cycle which is in line with international standards. (T - stands for Trading Day). Settlement of securities happens at the CDSC but funds settlement is conducted through the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK)'s RTGS settlement solution managing any counterparty risk.

We also maintain an up-to-date register of securities holders, conducting monthly reconciliations with share registrars to ensure accuracy and compliance.

We further support our issuers by facilitating the provision of comprehensive entitlement schedules to enable seamless processing of corporate actions.

The CDS account statement shared with investors when an activity is registered in their accounts serves as the official shareholding document, detailing their trading history and shareholding information with precision.

OUR SERVICES

SHARE TRANSFERS

We facilitate seamless ownership transitions through two main types of share transfers - Own Account transfers and Private Transfers. Investors can transfer their shares when changing stockbrokers or custodian banks to ensure continuity in managing their portfolios. Additionally, we process private transfers, such as the reallocation of shares in cases involving deceased persons or transfers given as gifts, ensuring all transactions are handled securely, timely and in compliance to relevant data protection and information security regulations.

SHARES PLEDGES AND RELEASES

Investors can leverage their securities to secure credit facilities with financial institutions.

We enable this by facilitating the pledging of shares as collateral and processing their release upon the fulfillment of loan terms. This service offers flexibility for investors to unlock the long-term value of their holdings like capital gains and dividend payments without needing to sell their securities to meet short-term obligations.

SHARE IMMOBILIZATION

Kenya's capital market was fully dematerialized in 2014. This act made it mandatory for physical share certificates to be converted into electronic format to enable transactions (sale, transfer or purchase).

We facilitate the immobilization process through partnerships with Registrars and Central Depository Agents (CDAs), ensuring a streamlined transition experience for investors.

This service allows holders of paper certificates to unlock the benefits of trading and transferring their shares in the modern, digital marketplace and Exchange.

OUR SERVICES

SECURITIES LENDING AND BORROWING (SLB)

CDSC's Securities Lending and Borrowing (SLB) solution allows investors to unlock additional value and earn lucrative returns from their securities by temporarily transferring them to other parties "lending" under formal agreements. Lenders earn income from charging lending fees, while borrowers can implement advanced trading strategies such as short selling to make money from short-term price fluctuations. With clearly defined terms for the return of securities, SLB provides a structured framework for both parties to benefit from market opportunities.

SLB is necessary for our capital markets to enhance our market liquidity leading to increased market participation from the improved trading efficiency. The solution is carefully regulated, ensuring transparency and mitigating risks for both parties. All securities under SLB are held in custody by the Central Depository System (CDS), which guarantees the security of transactions. Additionally, collateral requirements and risk management protocols protect the interests of all participants, making SLB an attractive option for institutional and individual investors looking to optimize their portfolios and participate in advanced trading strategies.

You can participate in SLB by engaging any of the approved SLB Agents.



The banner features the CDSC logo and tagline on the left. The central text reads "LEND OR BORROW SHARES WITH SLB" in large blue letters, followed by "Talk to your SLB Agent today to start earning additional return from stocks in all market conditions." in smaller black text. On the right, there is a stylized red and white geometric bear with red arrows pointing downwards, set against a background of a yellow line graph. The website address "www.cdsckeny.com" is in the top right corner.

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OUR SERVICES

SACCOCONNECT

SACCO SHARES MARKETPLACE AND MEMBER ONBOARDING SOLUTION

SaccoConnect is a state-of-the-art technology solution by the CDSC designed to streamline the buying and selling of SACCO shares, offering an intuitive, secure, and efficient experience for SACCO members.

The platform has additional capabilities to facilitate the enhancement of business processes like member onboarding, expanding the reach and impact of SACCOs locally and globally.



Benefits of Onboarding

- ✓ **Automation** of shares issuance and trading.
- ✓ Faster and convenient **new member onboarding** process.
- ✓ **Enhanced customer satisfaction** and elevated brand profile.
- ✓ **Membership growth** from the increased attractiveness of the SACCO.
- ✓ **Efficiency** through automation at no additional cost to the SACCO.

OUR DIGITAL SOLUTIONS

CDSC CHATBOT

Stay in control of your investments at **ANYTIME**, from **ANYWHERE** with the CDSC Chatbot, seamlessly integrated into the **Rhino App**. Investors enjoy instant and real-time access to their portfolios, offering:

- **Real-time tracking:** Monitor your investments 24/7 with up-to-the-minute updates.
- **Convenient records access:** View your transaction history and download mini statements effortlessly.
- **Portfolio insights:** Check the current value of your shares at a glance.
- **Stay informed:** Receive instant alerts on transactions and corporate actions.
- **Personalized account details:** Access tailored information about your investment account.



Access your CDS Account from Anywhere

Do portfolio valuation, query share prices, get your account statement and access your CDS Account information when you download the Rhino App

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DOSIKAA MOBILE APP

Take the hassle out of investing with **Dosikaa!**

The app is designed to make trading on the Kenyan stock market simple, fun and accessible for both seasoned and new investors.

Features Include:

Easy account setup: Open a CDS account and start trading shares in minutes.

Live market data: Get real-time share prices and stay updated with the latest market news.

Dividend tracking: View past payouts and stay informed about upcoming dividends.

Custom alerts: Set notifications to monitor price movements for your favorite stocks.

Performance analysis: Access stock price trends over the last 10 years for smarter decision-making.



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