



Market Notice
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Bank of Jamaica Reduces Policy Rate and Adjusts Width of the Interest Rate Corridor

Bank of Jamaica announces that, with effect from 20 May 2019, the rate offered on overnight balances in the current accounts of deposit-taking institutions, the policy rate, is being reduced to **0.75 per cent per annum** from **1.25 per cent per annum**.

In addition, effective 20 May 2019, the Bank will also narrow the width of the interest rate corridor from **300 basis points** to **200 basis points**.

Consequent on these adjustments, effective Monday, 20 May 2019, the rates on the Bank's lending facilities are as follows:

- The rate on the Standing Liquidity Facility (SLF) is being reduced to **2.75 per cent per annum** from **4.25 per cent per annum**
- The Excess Funds Rate is being reduced to **6.75 per cent per annum** from **8.25 per cent per annum**.

The rates on the Bank's weekly 14-day repurchase operations and 30-day Certificate of Deposit (CD) will continue to be determined by auction.