

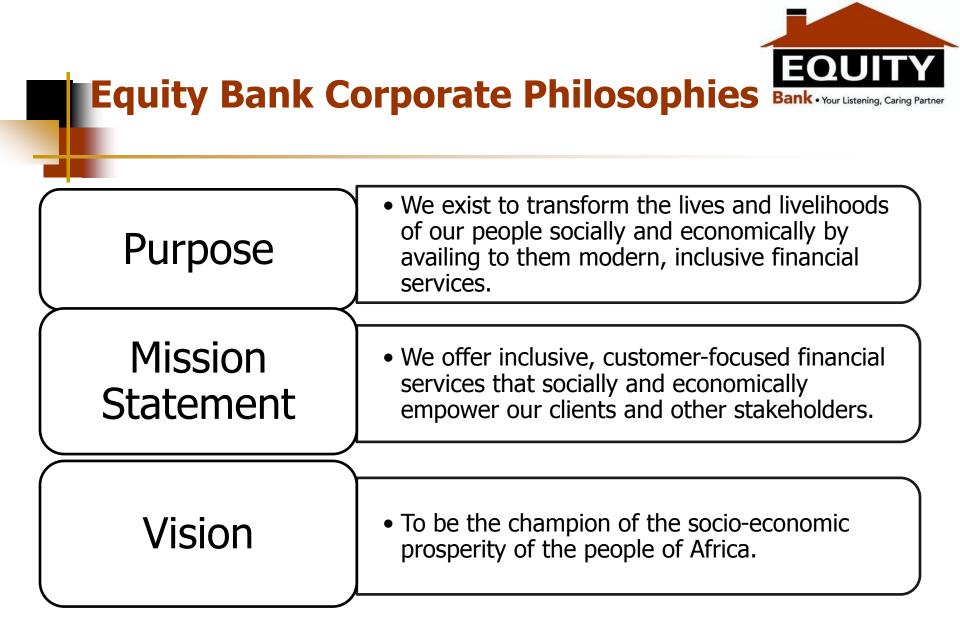
#### **Equity Bank**

### Agency Banking Presentation To UNCDF

#### Wednesday, 26th February 2014

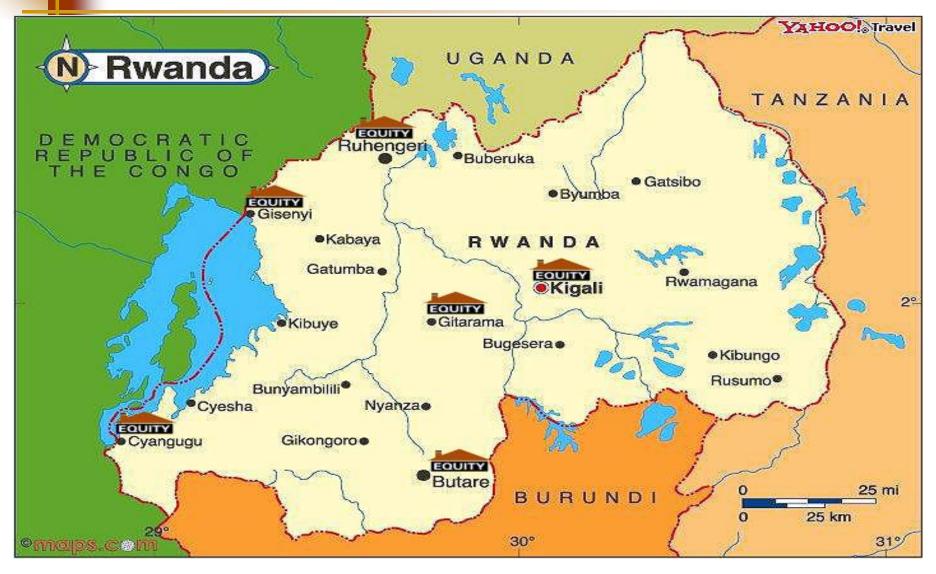
Vision: To be the champion of the socio-economic prosperity of the people of Africa.

**Mission:** Statement: We offer inclusive, customer-focused financial services that socially and economically empower our clients and other stakeholders.



## Equity Rwanda-Branch Distribution Network







 Agency banking is driving deeper financial inclusion using innovative technology to widen financial services distribution and access by contracting retail outlets (pharmacies, supermarkets, convenience stores etc)



## Why Agency?

- Equity Bank mission Provide inclusive financial services.
- 14% of the population currently bank formally,
- 86% unbanked
- 78% have never banked.
- 52% of total population was financially excluded.

# Who Qualifies to be an Agent?



- A business entity that must have been in operation for a minimum of 18 months
- Good financial standing (relative to location)
- Good character and social standing
- Business documents for the business entity
- Non religious, non Education, not forex bureaus
- Can be sole proprietor, companies, partnerships
- Approval by Equity Bank & National Bank

## Value Proposition

#### For the Customer

Access Inclusion Reach Savings

#### For the Agent

Revenue: new revenue streams and diversify existing revenues Customer Acquisition: Grow their customer base Efficiencies: Optimize cash management Brand: Benefit from the Equity Brand

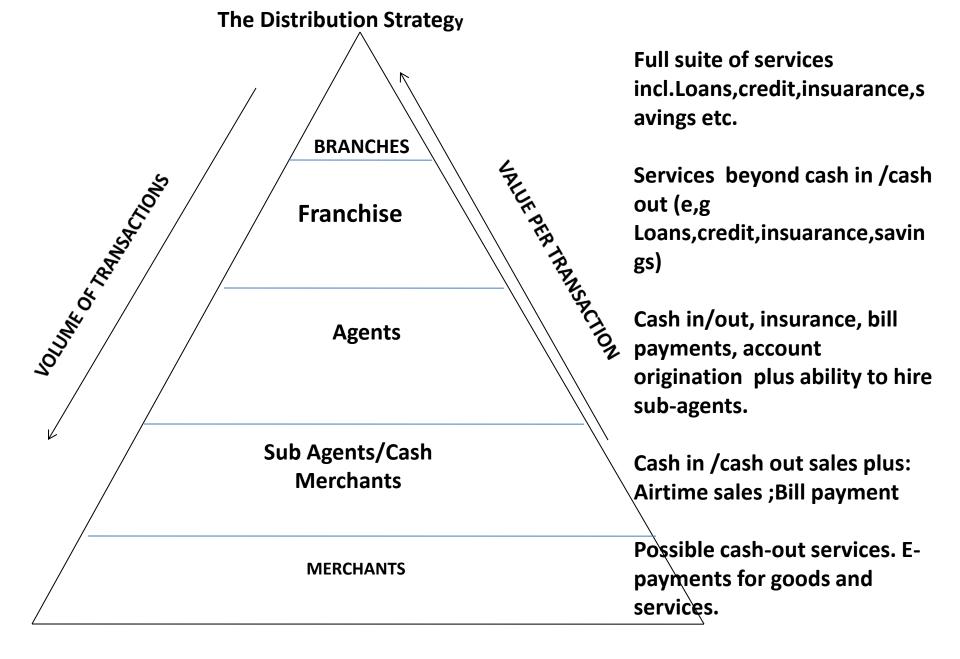
#### For Equity Bank

Cost Reduction: Reduce costs incurred in setting up a branch and branch regulation Competitive Pricing: Translates to better pricing for customers due to transaction volumes Profitability: More profit for the bank Faster growth: Not constrained by our physical infrastructure Leverage on technical infrastructure

## **Benefits to society**



- Deeper financial inclusion
- Greater savings both financially and in terms of productive time
- Development of local economies
- Healthier & progressive communities
- Stronger devolved governments





## Growing customer base at agency



## Agency Product Offering



 The objective of the Agency Model is to offer the full range of banking services to customers without having to visit a branch.

#### **Basic Banking:**

- Account Opening origination
- Activate Dormant Accounts
- Deposit and withdraw cash
- Make balance enquiries
- Generate mini-statements.

#### Facilitate Payments:

- Buy goods and services without cash
- Buy airtime
- Pay bills e.g. school fees, utilities, rent

#### Money Transfer:

Send and receive money locally

#### Planned Services

#### Lending:

- Loan Origination
- Accept loan payments

#### **Insurance:**

- Originate insurance applications,
- Issue certificates of insurance
- Accept premium payments

#### **Custodial Services:**

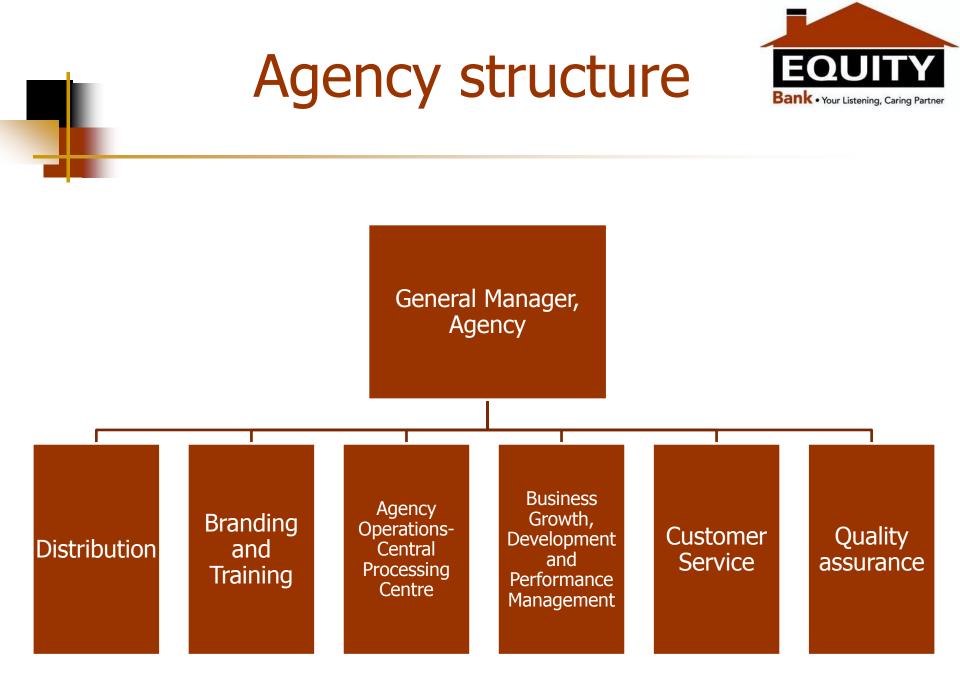
 Buy and sell shares and other financial instruments

#### **Distribution and Value add Services:**

- Distribute for various companies
- Collection points for government
  payments

## Challenges

- Establishment costs
- Recurrent training costs
- Technological- Network coverage
- Security- Increased cases of fraud
- Operational- Agent management
- Public awareness and acceptance



## What it has taken to succeed in agency



## Right People

- Age, attitude, education
- Quality of customer service
- Right processes
  - Being fully involved with the business
  - Demanding on processes and requirements
- Right Investment
  - Excellent branding, visibility and communication
  - Float management







- Recruitment of quality agents
- Financial literacy training
- Monitoring and support
- Float management
- Relationship building

"Ask not what agency can do for you but rather what you can do for agency"

#### TOTAL AND ACTIVE AGENTS



Month	Total Agents	Active Agents
January 2013	163	100
February 2013	170	109
March 2013	184	118
April 2013	209	114
May 2013	224	155
June 2013	238	157
July 2013	292	188
August 2013	394	246
September 2013	480	301
October 2013	527	304
November 2013	535	309
December 2013	589	440
January 2014	602	426

#### AGENT TRANSACTIONS



	Total Deposit	Total Withdrawal
Month	Transactions	Transactions
Jan-13	50,230	28,312
Jun-13	287,179	144,037
Jan-14	846,870	344,778

#### ACCOUNTS OPENED IN AGENCY



Total Accounts Opened
7,245
7,388
8,066
9,788
9,554
10,041
12,404
17,446
20,166
27,090
8,063
5,238
7,857



			Agency	
	Teller Withdrawal	ATM Withdrawal	Withdrawal	<b>Total Withdrawal</b>
Month	Transactions	Transactions	Transactions	Transactions
Jan-13	33,524	43,859	13,391	90,774
Feb-13	27,732	43,320	14,501	85,553
Mar-13	29,266	54,901	19,726	103,893
Apr-13	30,543	56,637	19,965	107,145
May-13	32,964	58,279	22,073	113,316
Jun-13	31,387	60,550	22,734	114,671
Jul-13	36,682	55,151	25,522	117,355
Aug-13	37,369	60,485	23,415	121,269
Sep-13	35,923	56,748	19,848	116,118
Oct-13	40,967	58,924	29,613	129,504
Nov-13	13,812	54,240	23,632	91,684
Dec-13	37,796	55,788	37,852	131,436
Jan-14	38,669	55,919	30,559	125,147





	<b>Teller Deposits</b>	ATM Deposits	Agency Deposits	Total Deposits
Month	Transactions	Transactions	Transactions	Transactions
Jan-13	37,394	3,682	23,975	65,051
Feb-13	35,502	3,652	26,189	65,343
Mar-13	35,640	5,161	34,686	75,487
Apr-13	36,606	5,134	37,017	78,757
May-13	38,080	5,806	48,958	92,844
Jun-13	36,550	4,473	58,341	99,364
Jul-13	38,839	4,204	70,605	108,050
Aug-13	37,407	4,292	65,007	106,706
Sep-13	34,083	3,599	78,141	115,823
Oct-13	38,034	3,985	95,367	137,386
Nov-13	10,450	4,095	55,668	70,213
Dec-13	28,948	3,631	89,970	122,549
Jan-14	33,645	3,716	89,069	126,430



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#### WITHDRAWAL TRANSACTIONS VOLUMES (RWF)

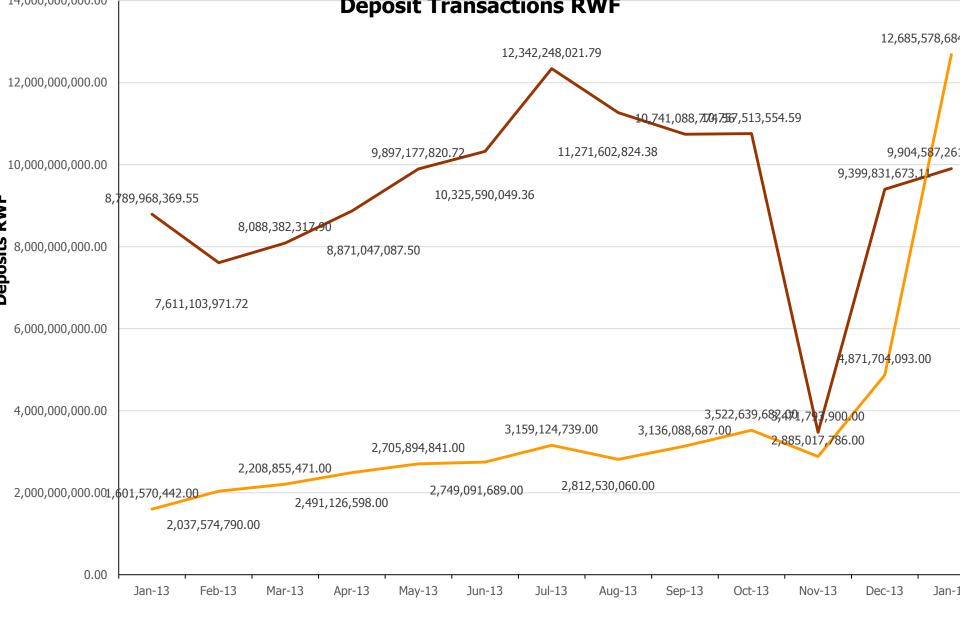
Month	Teller Withdrawals RWF	ATM Withdrawals RWF	Agency Withdrawals RWF	Total Withdrawal RWF
Jan-13	8,340,237,479.15	1,497,604,510.00	434,702,289.00	10,272,544,278.15
Feb-13	7,275,947,626.00	1,421,342,500.00	523,143,873.10	9,220,433,999.10
Mar-13	7,471,602,983.82	1,944,201,500.00	616,661,411.00	10,032,465,894.82
Apr-13	7,352,002,134.60	1,952,249,965.00	695,608,652.00	9,999,860,751.60
May-13	7,831,466,171.49	2,138,346,500.00	726,933,912.00	10,696,746,583.49
Jun-13	7,730,738,362.33	2,087,986,840.00	670,896,559.00	10,489,621,761.33
Jul-13	9,431,688,970.45	2,058,240,500.00	691,685,301.00	12,181,614,771.45
Aug-13	9,705,327,205.00	2,296,147,320.00	593,754,693.00	12,595,229,218.00
Sep-13	9,488,432,660.63	2,138,779,800.00	686,663,449.00	12,313,875,910.00
Oct-13	10,033,252,231.21	2,261,533,500.00	664,458,842.00	12,959,244,573.21
Nov-13	3,194,754,577.00	2,124,886,600.00	529,022,426.00	5,848,663,603.00
Dec-13	8,699,109,495.80	2,300,394,300.00	863,624,029.00	10,999,503,795.80
Jan-14	9,247,892,330.84	2,231,446,500.00	664,023,238.00	12,143,362,068.84



#### **DEPOSIT TRANSACTIONS VOLUMES (RWF)**



Month	Teller Deposits RWF	Agency Deposits RWF	Total Deposits RWF
Jan-13	8,789,968,369.55	1,601,570,442.00	8,789,968,369.55
Feb-13	7,611,103,971.72	2,037,574,790.00	9,648,678,761.72
Mar-13	8,088,382,317.90	2,208,855,471.00	10,297,237,788.90
Apr-13	8,871,047,087.50	2,491,126,598.00	11,362,173,685.50
May-13	9,897,177,820.72	2,705,894,841.00	12,603,072,661.72
Jun-13	10,325,590,049.36	2,749,091,689.00	13,074,681,738.36
Jul-13	12,342,248,021.79	3,159,124,739.00	15,501,372,761.00
Aug-13	11,271,602,824.38	2,812,530,060.00	14,084,132,884.00
Sep-13	10,741,088,774.56	3,136,088,687.00	13,877,177,462.00
Oct-13	10,757,513,554.59	3,522,639,682.00	14,280,153,236.59
Nov-13	3,471,793,900.00	2,885,017,786.00	6,356,811,686.00
Dec-13	9,399,831,673.11	4,871,704,093.00	14,271,535,766.11
Jan-14	9,904,587,261.29	12,685,578,684.00	22,590,165,945.29



#### Month



## **Our Inspiration**

That when years turn our vision dim and gray, we shall still be seeing beauty in the tired wrinkles of our faces and shall take comfort out of the fact and knowledge that when we were given the opportunity we did all we could to empower our people to exploit opportunities and realise their full potential on the road to economic prosperity.

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