

Governor's Remarks
Interns Farewell Function
27 August 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen, Good morning!

OPENING REMARKS

1. It is my great pleasure to stand before you today as we formally bid farewell to our interns at the conclusion of their journey with the Central Bank of Eswatini.
2. Just three months ago, we welcomed you into the Bank, some of you as students pursuing your tertiary education and others having already completed their studies, all eager to learn, contribute, and gain practical experience. Today, we come together not simply to mark the end of your internship, but to recognise the progress you have made, the experiences you have gained, and the professional acumen and skills you have acquired.
3. Over the past few weeks, some of your fellow interns concluded their internships and returned to their academic commitments. Today's gathering provides us with the opportunity to formally recognise those of you who have completed this journey and to celebrate an important milestone in your professional development.

4. Every meaningful journey deserves a moment of reflection. Today, we pause to recognise the lessons you have learnt, the relationships you have built, and the experiences that have shaped your time with us. We also look ahead with confidence to the opportunities awaiting you beyond these walls.

A JOURNEY OF LEARNING AND GROWTH

5. Although your time with the Bank has been relatively short, I trust that it has been a period of meaningful learning and personal growth. An internship is far more than gaining workplace experience. It is about understanding what it means to be part of an organisation that serves the public with purpose and responsibility. It is about learning how to work with others, how to communicate professionally, how to solve problems, and how to contribute to a shared objective.
6. Throughout your time here, you had the opportunity to observe how a Central Bank operates and to appreciate the important role it plays in safeguarding financial and economic stability. Equally important, you have experienced the everyday realities of the workplace, the importance of meeting deadlines, working collaboratively, taking initiative, and conducting yourselves with professionalism.
7. I hope this experience has challenged you to step outside your comfort zones, encouraged you to ask questions, and helped you discover strengths and abilities that you may not have recognised before.

THE VALUES THAT WILL GUIDE YOUR FUTURE

8. As you leave, may you carry the values that have guided your time at the Central Bank of Eswatini. Integrity is the foundation upon which trust is built. Accountability reminds us that we are responsible for the quality of our work and the choices we make. Respect enables us to work effectively with people from different backgrounds and perspectives. Open communication strengthens collaboration, while a commitment to excellence ensures that we always strive to give our very best.
9. These are not simply workplace values. They are life values that will serve you well in every profession, every institution, and every stage of your journey.

EMBRACING THE ROAD AHEAD

10. As you prepare for your next chapter, whether returning to your studies or entering the world of work, remember that success rarely follows a straight path. There will be moments when opportunities come easily, but there will also be moments of disappointment, uncertainty, and challenge. You may encounter setbacks that test your confidence and patience.
11. When those moments come, do not allow them to define your future. Instead, allow them to teach you resilience. Every challenge presents an opportunity to learn, to improve, and to become stronger. The most successful people are often not those who avoid difficulties, but those who continue moving forward.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION MATTERS

12. Each one of you arrived at the Bank with unique talents, aspirations, and experiences. During your time here, you became part of our institution,

and your enthusiasm and fresh perspectives have been appreciated. As Governor, I am proud that the Central Bank continues to invest in young people by providing opportunities that help bridge the gap between academic learning and professional practice.

13. Developing young talent is not simply an investment in individuals; it is an investment in the future of Eswatini. The knowledge, skills, and experiences you carry forward have the potential to contribute meaningfully to our country's growth and development.

A FINAL WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT

14. Thank you for your hard work, your commitment, and the positive energy you have brought to the Bank. I encourage you to leave here with confidence not because you have completed an internship, but because you have taken an important step in building your future.
15. I encourage you to remain people of integrity, continue to learn, and approach every opportunity with humility and determination. I also encourage you to maintain the relationships you have built during your time here. The connections you make throughout your career can become valuable sources of guidance, support, and opportunity.
16. Remember, this is not the end of your journey; it is the beginning of a much larger one. I wish each of you every success in your studies, your careers, and your future endeavours. May you continue to grow, remain resilient, pursue your aspirations with courage, and use your talents to make a meaningful contribution wherever life takes you.

Thank you, and I wish you all the very best for the future.