

## **PRESS RELEASE**

Today, 13 September 2021, marks the 10th anniversary of the Banco Central de Timor-Leste.

Every year, as part of the BCTL culture, the Central Bank commemorates its anniversary at a ceremony which includes the announcement of the prestigious Central Bank awards.

This year, because of the situation of the pandemic that is affecting the whole world, including Timor-Leste, the BCTL has decided that there would be no ceremony. However the BCTL wishes to continue to maintain its custom of awarding Central Bank Awards on its anniversary.

The Central Bank Awards comprise two categories, the Outstanding Category and the Excellence Category.

These two categories of awards are granted to persons or entities who are deserving of recognition for their contribution to the development of the financial sector which benefits the general population in Timor-Leste.

This year, the BCTL considered a candidate that has made special efforts and an excellent contribution by publishing simple, qualitative, informative news that reflects appropriate sources of information and encouraged the public to use financial services. This has been an important contribution to financial sector development in Timor-Leste, particularly in rural areas.

The BCTL decided that the entity, **Radio Comunidade Maubisse-Mauloko**, was deserving of an **"Excellence" award**. This is because **Radio Comunidade Mauloko** has been a valuable partner which has supported BCTL's national program to promote "Kampu digital" in the Administrative Post of Maubisse during 2020.

Due to the Covid restrictions, the award will be delivered directly to **Radio Comunidade Maubisse-Mauloko** at a later date.

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