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# Eridanus

## Information sheet

### Background

Eridanus VC1 Ltd (Eridanus) is an Agri Impact Venture Capital Fund and provide the opportunity for investors to become involved and be able to invest in the lucrative agricultural investment sector. Eridanus invests in the agricultural sector using financial instruments in the form of structured debt and equity funding. The entities that are invested in are carefully chosen by the investment committee of Eridanus with low risk and high income being the main considerations.

The demand for investment in the Agri Sector remains high at all times due to the fact that commercial financial institutions are reluctant to provide timeous financing and have no structures to work together with

the Agri sector to ensure a successful partnership and the permanent demise of the Landbank is imminent.

Agriculture and food supply services form an essential part of economic activity in Southern Africa and a demand for a wide variety of agricultural products are almost permanently assured, this ensures that an extremely diverse pipeline in the agricultural sector exists and currently Eridanus has a high demand for investments in excess of R500 million ZAR.

Eridanus are partners with a wide variety of industry experts that investigate and become involved in potential and qualifying investment projects. Eridanus ensures that suitable shareholding, financial control and management oversight

are obtained in order to minimize risk and maximize returns for investors.

### OBJECTIVES

To ensure generation of after-tax returns in excess of 11% for investors

Eridanus' current return to investors exceed the five year South African Government bond interest rate by a considerable margin

Investment in Agriculture by Eridanus ensure liquidity and enables Eridanus to offer investors a 90 days' notice period without penalty

To ensure investors a long-term high-income investment opportunity and a guaranteed monthly income from their investment

## KEY FUNDAMENTAL

- Fixed annual returns of 11% after tax
- Eridanus' investors are offered preferential investment when investment opportunities arise
- Long term investment with above average returns
- Monthly income from investment (If so required)
- Eridanus offers preferential investment opportunities to existing investors
- To grow the Agricultural and Food Supply business and to ensure dependable food supply locally and internationally

## INVESTMENT DETAILS

- Type of investment: 11 % cumulative preference shares
- Minimum investment: R100 000.00
- Investor Liquidity: 90 days (subject to Eridanus director approval)
- Returns: Preferential dividend of 11% after tax, payable monthly or accumulated monthly
- (Investor instructions dependent)
- Eridanus management fees: None (Eridanus' returns

arise from outperforming the market)

## KEY INDIVIDUALS

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## PROJECT PIPELINE

Eridanus funds agricultural and food supply projects at various stages of economic viability and obtain equity, financial and production management in all projects in order to limit risk and maximize profits. This guarantees returns for investors as quoted. Eridanus has currently invested or are considering to invest in the following projects:



## Potential projects being evaluated and considered (Rounded)

Province	Agri	Recently invested	Investment Pipeline
Gauteng	Milk Parlor	R10 million	R100 million
Gauteng	Grain	R5 million	R25 million
Mpumalanga	Grain	R20 million	R35 million
Noth West	Cattle	R5 million	R24 million
Western Cape	Soft Fruit		R100 million
Freestate	Asset solutions	R20 million	R30 million

Due diligence, financial and productivity investigations and personal interviews are conducted prior to placing investment pipelines before Investment Committees.

### “FOR FOOD STABILITY INVEST IN AGRICULTURE”

Structure:

Investors: 11% Cumulative Preference Shares



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Underlying and potential investments:

- ❖ Long term equity funding, where Eridanus aims to obtain equity shares in the underlying funded businesses to maximise investor returns
- ❖ Short term debt funding: Funding provided to develop agricultural business. This funding will be converted into long term equity funding should the Agricultural business qualify



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