

# Pakistan's largest bank HBL issuing UnionPay Debit Card in Seychelles, Kenya and Mauritius

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Recently, HBL, Pakistan's largest bank, announced the launch of UnionPay Debit Card in Seychelles, Kenya and Mauritius at Savory Hotel, Seychelles. The launch ceremony was attended by Mr Faiq Sadiq, SEVP and Group Head Payment Services at HBL - Habib Bank Limited Pakistan and Mr Ge Huayong, Chairman of China UnionPay.



"As a global bank, we are perpetually committed to superior service, better payments, enhanced technology and a reliable customer experience. And for this betterment, we are proud to collaborate with UnionPay International to issue chip-based debit cards in three African countries - Kenya, Mauritius and Seychelles," said Mr Faiq Sadiq, SEVP and Group Head Payment Services at HBL - Habib Bank Limited Pakistan and Member of UnionPay International Product & Marketing Advisory Group.

He further added, "UnionPay is repainting the payment landscape in Africa. Our strong global collaboration and ties have been instrumental in replicating success stories of Pakistan in overseas markets. We strongly appreciate and support UnionPay International's initiative of 'Digitalisation of Africa' and we are proud to partner with them on this platform."

Ge Huayong, Chairman of China UnionPay, said that with the Sino-African relationship taking on greater significance, UnionPay's business in Africa had made constant breakthroughs. "Since the end of last year, we have deepened our cooperation with the world's major banks in Africa, and have spared no efforts to deliver our quality services to the local residents. In the future, we will keep improving our service through various measures and to help the developing countries in the region to realise 'financial inclusion'."

With this synergy, HBL UnionPay Debit Card-holders will be able to use their cards on all UnionPay-enabled ATM and POS terminals. As a result of the collaboration, HBL will accept UnionPay cards on its ATMs in Seychelles, Kenya and Mauritius, and will also issue UnionPay Debit Cards to its customers maintaining accounts in these countries.

## About HBL

HBL was the first commercial bank to be established in Pakistan in 1947. Over the years, HBL has grown its branch network and maintained its position as the largest private sector bank with over 1,700 branches and 1,900 ATMs globally

and a customer base exceeding eight-and-a-half million relationships. With a global presence in over 25 countries spanning across four continents, HBL is also the largest domestic multinational. The bank is expanding its presence in principal international markets including the UK, UAE, South and Central Asia, Africa and the Far East.

#### **About UnionPay International**

UnionPay International (UPI) is a subsidiary of China UnionPay focused on the growth and support of UnionPay's global business. In partnership with more than 1,000 institutions worldwide, UnionPay International has enabled card acceptance in 157 countries and regions with issuance in more than 40 countries and regions. UnionPay International provides high-quality, cost-effective and secure cross-border payment services to the world's largest card-holder base and ensures convenient local services to a growing number of global UnionPay card-holders and merchants.

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