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New COO for Standard Bank Offshore

Standard Bank has appointed Julian Davies as Chief Operating Officer. Julian, who has been with the bank for over seven years, will be responsible for infrastructure issues within Standard Bank Offshore including all finance, operations, IT and human resource functions.

Ian Gibson, Chief Executive Officer, Standard Bank Offshore, explained: “We are currently seeing significant growth throughout Standard Bank Offshore’s operations and Julian’s appointment is a reflection of this. Our growth has been supported by our highly skilled team of staff and promoting someone of Julian’s calibre will ensure that we drive our infrastructure strategy forward.”

Julian has been with the Standard Bank Group for seven years, initially based in London in finance and finance-related positions, but more recently as Chief Operating Officer for the Group’s operations in Istanbul.

Julian added “It’s an exciting time for Standard Bank as a whole and I am looking forward to joining the offshore operations team to help the division achieve its objectives. I think the ambition of the Group and the professionalism of the people will make the role both challenging and rewarding.”

Outside the office, Julian is keen on most sports and outdoor activities.