



## **MACARTHUR BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION Inc.**

### GOOD GOVERNANCE GUIDE

The Macarthur Beekeepers Association Inc. Good Governance Guide is to assist in the responsible conduct of affairs and management of association resources. This covers issues such as ethical conduct, rule of law, efficiency and effectiveness, transparency, sound fiscal management and accountability.

#### **·Participation**

All men and women should have a voice in decision-making, either directly or through legitimate framework that represent their interests. Such broad participation is built on freedom of association and speech, as well as capacities to participate constructively.

#### **·Rule of law**

Legal frameworks should be fair and enforced impartially, particularly the laws on member rights.

#### **·Transparency**

Transparency is built on the free flow of information. Processes and information are accessible to those concerned with them, and enough information is provided to understand them.

#### **·Responsiveness**

The association and its and processes try to serve all stakeholders in a reasonable manner.

#### **·Consensus orientation**

Good governance mediates differing interests to reach a broad consensus on what is in the best interests of the group and where possible, on policies and procedures.

#### **·Equity**

All men and women have the same opportunities and voice within the membership group.

#### **·Effectiveness and efficiency**

Processes produce results that meet needs while making the best use of resources.

#### **·Accountability**

Decision-makers in the association are accountable to its stakeholders. This accountability differs depending on the association and whether the decision is internal or external to the association.

#### **·Strategic vision**

Leaders and the membership have a broad and long-term perspective on good governance and development, along with a sense of what is needed for such development. There is also an understanding of any historical, cultural and social complexities in which that perspective is grounded.