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Nedbank wins The Best Retail Bank in South Africa award and Best Mortgage and Home Loans Product in Africa for 2015

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Dubai, May 27th 2015—Nedbankwon the **Best Retail Bank in South Africa award** and **Best Mortgage and Home Loans Product in Africa** award for 2015. The bank received the award at The Asian Banker's 2nd Annual Middle East and Africa Awards Ceremony. The ceremony was held at the Ritz Carlton, DIFC, Dubai on May 27th 2015, held in conjunction with the Middle East and Africa International Banking Convention.

Amid a difficult operating environment in one of the most advanced economies in the region, the banking space remains highly competitive. The bank has an extensive physical network and is now investing in its digital offering, processing more than 350,000 deposit transactions monthly. The bank caters to almost a third of the country's bankable population and is building a healthy mix of customers from varied segments.

The bank remains committed to customer service quality by focussing on responding to clients needs as quickly as possible and diversifying its distribution channels. The bank is taking advantage of the digital revolution, and offers applications and online functions for small businesses, mobile loans, and other facilities. The bank also offers mobile ATM withdrawals, while reducing its costs of operations.

Nedbank's mortgage and home loan product offerings are the most convenient and least risky in the country. Customers can apply for home loans online, and receive the amount in five hours. The bank's growing loan book provides a high return on equity and the bank is taking active steps to reduce credit risk to a minimum.

The Asian Banker's Middle East and Africa Awards are acknowledged by the financial services industry as the highest possible accolade available to professionals and banks in the industry. Over 100 institutions from the Middle East and Africa were evaluated across 30 different countries. A stringent three-month evaluation process based on a balanced and transparent scorecard has been used to determine the winners.

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