

What is the difference between a close corporation, a company and a trust?

CREATION

CC: Registration of founding statement at the Companies Office

Company: Registration of articles of association and statutes at the Companies Office

Trust: Registration of trust deed at Master of the Supreme Court's Office

EQUITY

CC: Members hold members interest (maximum ten and only natural persons)

Company: Shareholders hold shares

Trust: Trustees hold trust assets on behalf of trust for the benefit the beneficiaries

MANAGEMENT

CC: Members

Company: Directors

Trust: Trustees

INCOME

CC: Members

Company: Shareholders in the form of dividends

Trust: Beneficiaries either stipulated by trust deed or in the discretion of trustees in the case of a discretionary trust

CONTRACTS

CC: Association agreement (optional)

Company: Memorandum

Trust: Trust deed