Rwanda’s Private Sector Federation (PSF) has launched leadership elections aimed at strengthening the organization’s governance and promoting economic growth across the country.

Stephen Ruzibiza, PSF chief executive officer, said the elections, scheduled from March 9 to March 16, 2026, are more than a leadership transition. “These elections are an opportunity to choose leaders who will guide us toward sustainable growth,” he said, thanking outgoing officials for their contributions to Rwanda’s private sector and economy.

The elections will take place at all levels of the federation, including district, province, the City of Kigali, Chambers, and the national level. Eligible members are encouraged to participate and may submit their candidacies to run for office.

Candidacy submissions at the district level are open from March 3–5, with elections set for March 9. Provincial candidates may submit from March 5–9, with voting on March 11. Chamber submissions run March 9–11, with elections on March 13. National-level candidacies will be accepted March 10–14, with elections scheduled for March 16.

Founded in 1999 as a non-profit organization, PSF unites Rwanda’s private sector, advocates for business-friendly policies, and contributes to national economic development. The federation operates from the cell (Akagari) level to the national level, focusing on job creation, investment promotion, and advocacy to reduce obstacles for businesses.

PSF also organizes international trade exhibitions to connect local entrepreneurs with global partners and foster innovation in commerce. The federation was established after the 1994 genocide to support economic recovery and collaboration between private business and the government.