

# ABA-COFITT RESPONSIBLE FINANCE WORKSHOP

Thursday, 25 April 2019

Venue: Yangon, Myanmar

## PROGRAMME

**Summary:** Globally, financial institutions and regulators recognise that environmental and social issues are material for the financial sector. To meet growing investor, consumer, civil society and regulator expectations and ensure the resilience of lending portfolios, banks in Southeast Asia and globally, have progressed with integrating Environmental, Social and Governance factors in their businesses (ESG integration).

This workshop will provide participants with a perspective on why environment and social issues are material for banks in Myanmar and how to start addressing ESG risks and capturing business opportunities arising from sustainable development.

Time	
9.00 am	<b>Welcome</b>
	<b>Keynote Address</b> Vision for Sustainable Finance in Myanmar Governor/Deputy Governor, Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM)
	<b>Opening Address</b> Chairman, Myanmar Banks Association (MBA)
	<b>Opening Address</b> Nick Cox, Conservation Director, WWF Myanmar
9.30 am	<b>Session 1: Why is ESG a real business issue for Myanmar?</b> <i>The session will look at how environmental and social issues threaten Myanmar's and its regional food and water security and climate resilience; and the role of local banks in sustainable development.</i> Mr. Christopher Seyffert, Green Finance Expert, WWF Myanmar
9.55 am	<b>Session 2: Global and regional drivers for Responsible Finance</b> <i>The session will look at changing regulatory landscape, rising expectations from consumers, civil society and investors on banks and corporates</i> Ms. Anna Batenkova, Sustainable Finance Engagement Manager, WWF Singapore
10.15 am	<b>Session 3: ESG factors for Myanmar banks to attract capital</b> <i>The session will look at how development banks and investors factor-in ESG performance when they provide capital to banks</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>) Association of Development Financing Institutions in Asia and the Pacific (ADFIAP)</li> <li>) International Finance Corporation</li> </ul>
10.40 am	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11.10 am	<b>Session 4: Is ESG material?</b> <i>The session will look at how ESG risk impacts in the creditworthiness assessment</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>) RAM Consultancy Services Sdn Bhd</li> </ul>

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11.35 am	<p><b>Session 5: Banking sector response to changing ASEAN landscape</b>  <i>The session will look at how banks incorporate ESG considerations in their Policies, Processes and Governance to meet changing stakeholder expectations and mounting risks .</i></p> <p><u>Moderator</u>  ) Anna Batenkova, Sustainable Finance Engagement Manager, WWF Singapore - Overview of ASEAN Sustainable Banking Report 2018 (Overview)</p> <p><u>Panelists</u>  ) International Bank  ) Singapore bank and/or Malaysian bank  ) UNEP Finance Initiative  ) International Finance Corporation</p> <p>Q&amp;A</p>
12.15 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
14.00 pm	<p><b>Session 6: Green financial products</b>  <i>The session will explore green opportunities for local banks in Energy, Manufacturing and Agriculture sectors</i></p> <p><u>Moderator</u>  WWF Myanmar</p> <p><u>Panelists</u>  ) Corporate: e.g. Energy Company /H&amp;M / Rubber Company / Forestry Company  ) Singapore Bank  ) International Bank  ) Development Bank / UNDP / SMART Myanmar</p> <p>Q&amp;A</p>
14.30 pm	<p><b>Session 7: Pioneer banks' progress in Responsible Finance</b>  <i>The session will discuss how the Myanmar banking industry is responding to address ESG issues.</i></p> <p>) AYA Bank  ) Yoma Bank  ) KBZ  ) CB Bank</p>
15.00 pm	<p><b>Key takeaways and the way forward</b>  <i>The session will summarise the key highlights from the workshop and discuss next steps for Myanmar's banking industry in responsible financing.</i></p> <p>Myanmar Banks Association (MBA)</p>
15:10 pm	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b>  ) Secretary General, ASEAN Bankers Association</p>
15:15 pm	End

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