

Workshop Agenda:

Blended Finance in the Indo-Pacific: Opportunities and Supervisory Implications

Dec. 10, 2024

Virtual, 8am – 11am (SGT)



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This half-day virtual workshop aims to equip central bankers, supervisors, and regulators with the knowledge to understand the opportunities for blended finance in the Indo-Pacific, as well as the implications for financial stability, inclusion, and supervision.

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

This workshop is designed to reflect the current supervisory context in the Indo-Pacific and to support aligning supervisory frameworks with development priorities.

Participants will:

- Increase their knowledge and enhance their awareness of topical/contemporary blended finance issues
- Understand the key barriers to scaling up blended finance from a regulatory and supervisory perspective
- Explore lessons learned from country-specific cases

METHODOLOGY

This workshop will incorporate active interaction among speakers and the audience through question-and-answer portions of sessions.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The program is designed for mid- to senior-level staff and managers involved in central banking, regulation, and supervision of financial services in Indo-Pacific. Others from government agencies responsible for finance, the economy or international development and cooperation may also find the information of value. Participants should have at least three years of working experience in supervision, analytical or policy experience in the sector, and be proficient in English.

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Tues, Dec. 10, 2024	
7:50am – 8am	Participants dial into the system
8am – 8:05am	Welcoming remarks <i>Anatol Monid, Senior Director, Programs, Toronto Centre</i>
8:05am – 8:20am	Context Setting Remarks <i>Ranjit Ajit Singh, Assistant Director, Monetary and Capital Markets, International Monetary Fund</i>
8:20am – 8:25am	Group photo
8:25am – 9am	Session 1: Blended Finance Initiatives Across Indo-Pacific - The MDB Perspective <i>Ashley S. Robertson, Blended Finance Consultant, Asian Development Bank</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Features an audience Q&A portion
9am – 9:30am	Session 2: Nepal and Blended Finance: A Supervisory Perspective <i>Dr. Nabaraj Adhikari, Senior Executive Director, Securities Board of Nepal</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Features an audience Q&A portion
9:30am – 10am	Session 3: The State of Sector in Blended Finance with a Focus on Climate <i>Ritesh Thakkar, Senior Advisor and Head of Asia Pacific, Convergence Blended Finance</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Features an audience Q&A portion

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Tues, Dec. 10, 2024	
10am – 10:30am	Session 4: GX (Green Transformation) Acceleration Agency - Japan's New Initiative for Driving Investment through Blended Finance <i>Hideki Takada, Director, GX (Green Transformation) Acceleration Agency</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Features an audience Q&A portion
10:30am – 10:45am	Closing remarks <i>Ruth Dueck-Mbeba, Financial Inclusion Advisor, Toronto Centre</i>
10:45am – 10:55am	Program wrap-up <i>Harry Krishan Mohith, Program Manager, Toronto Centre</i>
10:55am – 11:00am	Debrief – End of day evaluation
11:00am	End of program