

**37<sup>th</sup> ABA General Meeting and Conference**  
**November 12-13, 2020, Jetwing Blue Hotel, Negombo, Sri Lanka**

**TENTATIVE PROGRAM**

*(As of March 2, 2020)*

**NOVEMBER 12, THURSDAY**

09:00-18:00 Registration

09:30-12:00 **“Discover ABA” Session**

*Brief country presentations will be made by selected ABA member banks and Knowledge Partners on the economy and the financial markets in their respective countries, or on special programs, projects, products or services that have benefited their customer base or the community they serve and may be adapted by member banks from other countries.*

12:00-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:30 Meeting of the ABA Policy Advocacy Committee

13:30-15:30 **Host Bank Session on *Promoting Sustainable Financing***

*Speakers from member banks (including HNB) and pertinent organizations will be invited to share their experience and best practices in setting and implementing sustainable financing goals, initiatives, and activities to achieve resilient portfolios aligned with a sustainable future.*

14:00-15:00 Advisory Council Meeting (*Open only to members of the Advisory Council*)

15:00-15:30 Election Committee Meeting (*Open only to members of the Election Committee*)

15:30-15:45 Coffee Break

15:45-17:15 **Special Presentations Session**

*Speakers will be invited to make presentations on topics which are of current interest to ABA members and the region's banking industry.*

15:45-17:45 58<sup>th</sup> ABA Board of Directors' Meeting (*Open only to ABA Board Members*)



- 18:30-19:15 **Opening Ceremony**
- Welcome Remarks, ABA Chairman
  - Special Opening Address by High Government Official
  - Keynote Speech by Invited Keynote Speaker
  - Presentation of Testimonials of Appreciation to the High Government Official and the Keynote Speaker
- 19:30-20:00 Press Conference
- 19:30 Welcome Cocktails/Dinner

**NOVEMBER 13, FRIDAY**

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**THEME: ASIAN BANKS; ACHIEVING SUSTAINABLE GROWTH IN THE AGE OF DISRUPTION**

- 08:30 Registration
- 09:00-10:30 **Session One: *Addressing Emerging Challenges in a Changing Global Market Environment***

*The session will feature speakers who will share their views on the new and emerging challenges in the global environment such as the ongoing US-China trade war, US sanctions on certain economies, the protracted Hong Kong protest movement, security-related challenges, natural disasters, and corona virus pandemic; and how to mitigate their negative impact on the banking industry*

- 10:30-10:45 *Coffee Break*
- 10:45-12:15 **Session Two: *The Role of Technology in Sustainable Growth***

*Discussions will focus on opportunities presented by new and emerging technologies (block chain, AI and machine learning, digital platforms, 3D printing, mobile payments, etc.) to make banking more innovative, more efficient, more inclusive, less costly, more supportive of small business, and more responsive to the changing needs of customers particularly those from the new generation.*

- 12:15-13:30 *Lunch*

13:30-15:00 **Session Three: *Building a Sustainable Banking and Business Model***

*Speakers will be invited to share their insights and perspectives on how to create and maintain a sustainable banking and business model that takes into account effective risk management, good governance, product and customer diversity, business ethics, fair employment policies, appropriate management methods, corporate social responsibility, the conservation of the environment, and other sustainable operating practices aimed at increasing the resilience of their business models.*

15:00-15:15 *Coffee Break*

15:15-16:45 **Session Four: *CEO Roundtable - Navigating the New World Order: Implications for Banks and Regulators***

*This session will feature CEOs who will exchange their views on the current trends and developments in banking and their implications on Central Bank policies and regulations, the need for digital transformation of banks to achieve sustainable banking, open banking, training and management of the workforce for the future, the role of banks in managing and mitigating the impact of climate change and other natural disasters on their operations as well as on their customers.*

16:45-17:30 37<sup>th</sup> ABA General Meeting Proper

- ABA Chairperson's Report
- Report of the Election Committee
- Election of New Board Members

17:30-17:45 59<sup>th</sup> ABA Board of Directors' Meeting: Part One

- Election of New ABA Chairman and Vice Chairman

17:45-18:15 Installation Ceremony

- Valedictory Address of Outgoing Chairman
- Oath-taking of Incoming Chairman and Vice-Chairman
- Handover Ceremony
- Acceptance Speech of Incoming Chairman
- Presentation of Distinguished Service Plaque to Outgoing Chairman

18:30-19:00 59<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors' Meeting: Part Two

19:30 Farewell Dinner

**NOVEMBER 14, SATURDAY**



08:30-17:30 Optional Tour Program

Departure of Delegates

