

INTRODUCTION TO SUSTAINABLE / GREEN FINANCING



25 & 26 MARCH 2024
8.30 AM – 5.00 PM



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OVERVIEW

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) have given new drive and focus to sustainable finance and investing with impact. They create an ambitious agenda to reduce poverty by 2030 with an equally ambitious agenda to finance them. Developed by policymakers worldwide, the SDGs include 17 goals concerning areas such as agriculture, infrastructure, health, education, climate change and biodiversity in a drive to achieve gender equality, end hunger, build resilient infrastructure, sustainable consumption and production, among others. ESG as a concept universally used by investors in capital markets to assess corporate behaviour and to evaluate the future financial performance of corporations by measuring their sustainability.

Sustainability/ESG Reporting or non-financial disclosure is an overview of a company's economic, environmental and social impacts, caused by its overall activities. Presenting the company's commitment to a sustainable global economy – can help organizations measure, understand and communicate their economic, environmental, social and governance performance, and then set goals, and manage change more effectively. An enormous amount of financing is needed to achieve the SDGs – estimated at US\$5 to US\$7 trillion per year, with an estimated US\$2 to US\$3 trillion of that needed from the private sector. The SDGs put the spotlight on mobilizing finance from private resources to levels unheard of in the past. Sustainable development is a joint responsibility of governments, financial and non-financial companies, and citizens. There is a strong case for integrating sustainability into strategy and finance. Traditional finance focuses on financial return and regards the financial sector as separate from the society of which it is part and the environment in which it is embedded. By contrast, sustainable finance considers financial, social, and environmental returns in combination. ESG as a concept universally used by investors in capital markets to assess corporate behaviour and to evaluate the future financial performance of corporations by measuring their sustainability.

OBJECTIVES

- Agenda for Sustainable Development and Finance - demonstrate understanding of sustainability principles and financing.
- Current developments and trends in sustainable finance.
- Impact on sustainable financing from corporate sustainability strategies
- Promotion of sustainability strategies within business and financing ecosystem
- Requirements of sustainable financing initiatives, policy, and programmes in Malaysia.
- Opportunities, challenges, and enabling conditions for sustainable financing;
- Sustainable finance mechanisms to a real-life case study.

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- University Malaya,
- Federation of Malaysian Manufacturers,
- Centre For Environmental Technologies (CETEC), and
- served the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for Malaysia, Singapore & Brunei Darussalam as Programme Manager from 2004 till 2015, in the sustainable development cluster and had developed, managed and monitored/evaluated at least 15 projects worth USD40 million.

Dr. Hari is currently the Principal Consultant at AKAR ASIA Consulting. He has advised UNDP, World Bank, USAID, UNIDO, UNEP and ADB in Sri Lanka, Papua New Guinea, Cambodia, Philippines, Nepal, Myanmar, Timor Leste and Vietnam as well as Malaysia in the areas of climate change and nature ecosystems management, and Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) involving communities, private sector and local governments. He also provides advisory services to the private sector on corporate sustainability, Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) framework and focus areas.

He is a Human Resources Development Corporation (HRDC) certified, Trainer and conducts various trainings on Sustainable Consumption and Production (SDG12) and ESG. He is a Certified Expert in Sustainable Finance (CESFi) (Frankfurt School). He is:

- a Board Member of Asia Pacific Roundtable for Sustainable Consumption and Production,
- an Exco member of the Environmental Management and Research Association of Malaysia,
- a Committee Member of the Malaysian Evaluation Society.
- a member of the Industry Expert Committee (IEC) - Sustainability under Human Resource Development Corp (HRD Corp)
- an advisor at the ESG Association of Malaysia.

Dr. Hari studied in Sweden (M.Sc. Environmental Management and Policy) and UK (PhD Development Management and Policy).

DAY 1

8.30 am	Registration
9.00 am	Agenda for Sustainable Development and Finance
10.00 am	Tea Break
10.20 am	An Overview of Sustainable Finance Market Participants
11.30 am	Current developments and trends in sustainable finance.
1.00 pm	Lunch Break
2.00 pm	Impact on sustainable financing from corporate sustainability strategies
3.30 pm	Tea Break
3.50 pm	Promotion of sustainability strategies within businedd and financing ecosystem
4.50 pm	Q&A session
5.00 pm	End of Day 1

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

DAY 2

8.30 am	Registration
9.00 am	Sustainable Finance Products - Three Interactives lessons explaining Green Bonds and Green Loans in details
10.00 am	Tea Break
10.20 am	Understand the requirements of sustainable financing initiatives, policy, and programmes in Malaysi
1.00 pm	Lunch Break
2.00 pm	Understand opportunities, challenges, and enabling conditions for sustainable financing.
3.30 pm	Tea Break
3.50 pm	Understand sustainable finance mechanisms to a real-life case study
4.50 pm	Q&A session
5.00 pm	End of Training

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