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SRI TAXONOMY:

Insights and Implementation

**PRINCIPLES-BASED
SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE
INVESTMENT TAXONOMY
FOR THE MALAYSIAN CAPITAL MARKET**

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9.00 AM - 12.15 PM | SECURITIES COMMISSION MALAYSIA

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Programme Overview

The growth of sustainable investments globally, has resulted in greater demand by market participants for additional clarity and standardisation on the identification of economic activities that would qualify as sustainable investments. Similarly in Malaysia, given the rise on sustainable and responsible investments (SRI) which are essential in supporting Malaysia's sustainable development goals and climate targets, greater guidance for the capital market is required to mitigate greenwashing risks and further accelerate SRI development. Hence, the SRI Taxonomy has been developed to provide guiding principles on the alignment of economic activities with the environmental, social and sustainability objectives.

The need to have a unified and standardised taxonomy has been the long-awaited initiative investors are looking forward to. The introduction of the SRI Taxonomy will serve as a guide for capital market participants to align their investment portfolio and in return ease their investment making decision. The SRI Taxonomy would also facilitate organisations to organise data and information so that it could be streamlined towards certain sustainability objective. This would allow organisations to better utilise its resources given the framework is in place.

This programme will deliberate on the elements of the new SRI Taxonomy, how it will be set as a local benchmark and its positive impact to the capital market industry.

Programme Objective

This programme will provide participants with insights into the recently released SRI Taxonomy, why it matters and how it can serve as a guide for organisation to pivot its business model in meeting sustainability objectives.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this programme, participants will be able to:

- define the objectives, rationale, motivation and value proposition of the SRI Taxonomy
- describe how SRI Taxonomy could expand sustainable and responsible investments in Malaysia
- discuss the next phase of sustainable finance taxonomies development and implementation in Malaysia and internationally

Methodology

Interactive presentations, case studies discussions and Question-and-Answer (Q&A) sessions

Competencies

Foundational (Regulatory) – Capital Market Products Regulation (Level 3)
Foundational (Product) – Capital Market Environment (Proficiency Level 3)
Functional (Technical) – Market Analysis (Proficiency Level 3)

Target Audience

INDIVIDUAL

Board Members, Directors, Business Leaders, Corporate Finance and Advisory Officers, Research Analysts, Fund Managers, Risk Managers, Compliance Officers, Sustainability and ESG Advocates.

INSTITUTIONS

Capital Market Intermediaries, Public Listed Companies (PLCs), Private Companies aspiring to be listed, Social Enterprises.

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Programme Outline

9.00 am

Welcome Remarks

Tengku Zarina Tengku Chik
CEO, SIDC

9.05 am

Opening Remarks

Dato' Seri Dr. Awang Adek Haji Hussin
Chairman, Securities Commission Malaysia (SC)

9.15 am

Suite Chat

Developing and Implementing the SRI Taxonomy: Regulator's Perspective

- Introduction of the SRI Taxonomy including the objectives, policy motivation and value proposition
- How the SRI Taxonomy complements SC's SRI initiatives
- What's next in the development of SRI Taxonomy

Speakers

Tengku Zarina Tengku Chik CEO, SIDC

Salmah Bee Mohd Mydin Executive Director, Market Development, Securities Commission Malaysia (SC)

9.45 am

Scaling Up Sustainable and Responsible Investments in the Malaysian Capital Market through the SRI Taxonomy

- Industry Working Group (IWG) experience in developing the SRI Taxonomy with World Bank as the lead technical expert
- Value proposition of the SRI Taxonomy from different perspectives
- Investors' role and how sustainable finance taxonomies are useful
- Use cases and applications of the SRI Taxonomy

Moderator

Nadiah Hanim Abdul Latif Sustainability & Social Impact Advocate

Panellists

Angelia Chin-Sharpe CEO, Head of South East Asia and Hong Kong Distribution, BNP Paribas Asset Management Singapore

Nor Masliza Sulaiman Group Head Investment Banking and Deputy CEO, CIMB Investment Bank Berhad

Mohamed Rozani Osman Senior Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank Group Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Finance Hub Malaysia (World Bank)

10.45 am

Coffee Break

11.00 am

What's Next for Sustainable Finance Taxonomies

- Existing and future developments of global and regional sustainable finance taxonomies
- Alignment and interoperability of sustainable finance taxonomies
- Importance of sustainable finance taxonomies in facilitating the transition to low carbon economy
- Lessons learnt from the development of taxonomies and key takeaways for the next phase of SRI taxonomy development

Moderator

Nadiah Hanim Abdul Latif Sustainability & Social Impact Advocate

Panellists

Azreen Idayu Zainal General Manager, Sustainability, Securities Commission Malaysia (SC)

Eugene Wong CEO, Sustainable Finance Institute Asia (SFIA)

Dr Adam Ng Greening Financial Regulation Initiative (GFRI) Asia Pacific Lead & Sustainable Finance Advisor (Malaysia), WWF

12.15 pm

End of Programme

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Tengku Zarina Tengku Chik

Chief Executive Officer, Securities Industry Development Corporation (SIDC)

Appointed in 2019, YM Tengku Zarina is the Chief Executive Officer of the Securities Industry Development Corporation (SIDC), the training and development arm of Securities Commission Malaysia (SC).

She brings with her over 29 years of global financial services experience both in corporate and international finance, taking in different business functions and markets. Having a core competency in corporate credit, she had in the past assumed a wide breath of roles in international banking, corporate banking, business development, banking operations, operational excellence and strategic transformation.

She has served in large financial centres including in the city of London, where she was the Country Head for Maybank operations in the UK from 2005 to 2013, and in Hong Kong where she was Maybank Hong Kong's Deputy CEO in charge of corporate banking and business development from 2001 to 2005. She had served in Maybank New York and Maybank International Labuan for short term assignments in her early years with Maybank.

Leveraging her diverse experience, she had taken on several strategic transformation roles, including Maybank's Head of Operational Excellence for Global Banking where she led a significant initiative to streamline the 'Know Your Customer' value chain as well as enabling the Financial Institutions Group's business. She was also appointed as a Supervisory Board member for Uzbek Leasing International in Uzbekistan from 2013 to 2015.



Dato' Seri Dr. Awang Adek Hussin

Executive Chairman, Securities Commission Malaysia

Dato' Seri Dr. Awang Adek Hussin was appointed the Executive Chairman of the Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) on 1 June 2022. He is also the Chairman of the Board of Governors of Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM).

Prior to his appointment as Chairman of the SC, Awang Adek served as Malaysia's Ambassador to the United States of America (USA) from 2014 to 2016 and Chairman of Majlis Amanah Rakyat (MARA) from 2017 to 2018.

Awang Adek has extensive experience in economics and finance, having spent over 30 years in government and public service. He served as Deputy Minister of Rural Development from 2004 to 2006 and Deputy Minister of Finance from 2006 to 2013. He was also a member of Parliament from 2004 to 2008, and a senator from 2009 to 2013.

Awang Adek was with Bank Negara Malaysia for 17 years from 1985 until 2001, holding several positions and eventually rising to the rank of Assistant Governor. He had also served on the boards of directors of several financial institutions and organisations including the SC, the first Director General of the Labuan Financial Services Authority (LFSA), Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB), Chairman of Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB), and also Chairman of Perbadanan Nasional Berhad (PERNAS).

Awang Adek received his Bachelor's degree in mathematics and economics from Drew University, USA, as well as his Master's and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in economics from University of Pennsylvania, USA.

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Salmah Bee Mohd Mydin

Executive Director, Market Development, Securities Commission Malaysia

Salmah Bee Mohd Mydin is the Executive Director of Market Development at the Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) responsible for sustainability, corporate governance, investment product development along with the securities and derivatives development functions.

An important focus of the SC's agenda is the development of a capital market that is inclusive and sustainable and Salmah leads a team that is responsible for formulating initiatives to enhance market efficiency, vibrancy and competitiveness. She is a board member of the Audit Oversight Board, the Finance Accreditation Agency, the Malaysian Venture Capital and Private Equity Development Council; and Penjana Kapital.

With vast experience in investigation, intermediaries supervision, market surveillance, authorisation and licensing; and development and policy formulation, Salmah has been involved in numerous external engagements including initiatives in public sector transformation, the Attorney-General's Chambers and the Anti-Corruption Agency (now known as the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission). She has also served as a member of the SC's Capital Market Compensation Fund Corporation and the Financial Stability Committee of the Labuan Financial Services Authority.

Previously Salmah was a business reporter with The STAR Publications. She has a Bachelor of Arts (Management and Business Studies) from the University of Liverpool and a Master in Science (Public Policy and Management) from the University of London.



Angelia Chin-Sharpe CPIF

Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Singapore, Head of South East Asia & Hong Kong Distribution, A Member of APAC Regional Leadership Team

Angelia Chin-Sharpe is a veteran in the financial services industry, and has over 20 years of experience in banking, capital markets and asset management. Since joining BNP Paribas Asset Management in 2007 as Head of the Malaysia business - an entity she set up and developed then - she also led the Southeast Asia Institutional Sales team between 2010 and 2012 from the Singapore office; before moving back to Malaysia as CEO of the local business. As BNP Paribas Asset Management's Singapore CEO, she is responsible for accelerating and strengthening the firm's Southeast Asia business interests, while driving its sustainable solution offerings across the market's clients groups; and ensuring continuity and maintaining focus on delivering sustainable investment returns for clients in the targeted region.

Angelia holds a Bachelor of Commerce, majoring in Accounting from Curtin University of Technology, Western Australia. She completed her Chartered Islamic Finance Professional exams with INCEIF and is registered as a Chartered Professional in Islamic Finance (CPIF) with The Chartered Institute of Islamic Finance Professionals.

Angelia was awarded as the CEO of the Year for Malaysia by Asia Asset Management "2021 Best of the Best Awards". She was one of the most influential women in Islamic banking and finance in the WOMANi2022, WOMANi2020 and WOMANi2019 reports.

Angelia has also received the Community Achievement Award 2017 from the Malaysia Australian Alumni Council for her social work at The Lost Food Project - a not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing food for the needy.

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Nor Masliza Sulaiman CFA

Group Head Investment Banking and Deputy Chief Executive Officer, CIMB Investment Bank Berhad

Nor Masliza is the Group Head Investment Banking and Deputy Chief Executive Officer primarily responsible for product advisory, solutions, execution and syndication under Debt Capital Markets & Syndicate, Equity Capital Markets & Syndicate, Convertible Bond Structuring, Corporate Finance, Mergers & Acquisitions and Project Finance.

She has more than 24 years' experience in the ASEAN capital markets, equity-linked products, derivatives and Islamic finance. She is the chairperson of the Debt Capital Markets Committee of the Malaysian Investment Banking Association (MIBA). She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree (Distinction) majoring in Finance and Accounting with a minor in Economics from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor and is a CFA charterholder.



Mohamed Rozani Osman

Senior Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank Group Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Finance Hub Malaysia (World Bank)

Mohamed Rozani Osman is a Senior Financial Sector Specialist with the Finance, Competitiveness and Innovation Global Practice of the World Bank in Kuala Lumpur, an assignment he started in June 2016.

He is currently working on several areas including sustainable finance, Islamic finance, capital markets, disaster risk finance, financial sector development and financial stability monitoring in the East Asia Pacific region. He has 25 years of experience in the financial sector, capital markets and investment management, including 10 years as Head of Treasury and Liquidity Management at Khazanah Nasional Berhad, the sovereign investment fund of Malaysia. Prior to that, he headed the fixed income teams at Mayban Investment Management and KLCS Asset Management. While there, he managed several mutual funds and discretionary portfolios. He has also managed a leveraged multi-asset portfolio focused on the US technology and financial sectors. Before entering the financial industry, he worked in the oil and gas industry.

He has a MBA from Cornell University and a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from the University of Virginia.

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Azreen Idayu Zainal

General Manager, Sustainability, Securities Commission Malaysia (SC)

Azreen is a General Manager in the Sustainability department of the Securities Commission Malaysia (SC). She leads the development of sustainable investment strategies and policies for the Malaysian capital market, and their implementation since 2014. Azreen is instrumental in the development of Sustainable and Responsible Investment (SRI) Roadmap for the Malaysian Capital, and many other SRI initiatives.

Azreen is the Chair of Sub-committee 3 (Product and Innovation) of the Joint Committee on Climate Change (JC3), an initiative established to pursue collaborative actions for building climate resilience within the Malaysia financial sector, and leads the SC's Joint Secretariat for the JC3.

At the regional level, Azreen is involved in developing sustainable finance initiatives for the ASEAN capital markets, through SC's co-chairmanship of the Sustainable Finance Working Group of the ASEAN Capital Markets Forum and SC's membership in the ASEAN Taxonomy Board.

Azreen regularly represents the SC at various speaking engagements on sustainability regionally and internationally.

Azreen joined the SC in 2010 where she was involved in the formulation and implementation of the Capital Market Masterplan 2, the 10-year strategy blueprint for the Malaysian capital market. Azreen started her career in PricewaterhouseCoopers in 2002 until 2010 prior to joining the SC.



Eugene Wong

Chief Executive Officer, Sustainable Finance Institute Asia Limited ("SFIA")

Eugene Wong is the Chief Executive Officer of SFIA, an independent institute established to catalyse ideas on Sustainable Finance at the policy level in ASEAN, as well as propel action in support of those policy ideas. SFIA is the Host of the ASEAN Taxonomy Board.

Eugene was previously the Managing Director, Corporate Finance & Investments of the Securities Commission Malaysia ("SC"). He also oversaw the SC's ASEAN related initiatives and was a Chair of the Deputies of the ASEAN Capital Markets Forum and the Co-Chair of its Sustainable Finance Working Group. In addition, he was a Co-Chair of the ASEAN Working Committee on Capital Market Development. He also served as a member of the Audit Oversight Board in Malaysia and was an Adviser to the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board.

Prior to joining the SC, Eugene held positions in a merchant bank, a stockbroking company and in the corporate finance division of an international accounting firm.

Eugene is a Fellow of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand, Fellow of CPA Australia and a Chartered Accountant of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants. He has an Advanced Diploma in Corporate Finance from The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales (ICAEW) and holds a B. Comm. from the University of Melbourne.

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Dr Adam Ng

GFRI Asia Pacific Lead & Sustainable Finance Advisor (Malaysia), WWF

Adam Ng is the Greening Financial Regulation Initiative (GFRI) Asia-Pacific Lead and Sustainable Finance Advisor (Malaysia) at the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF). He was previously with the central bank, an international liquidity management corporation established by central banks, academia and research management centre, contributing to Islamic and sustainable finance initiatives. He completed his graduate degree and postdoctoral fellowship at Oxford.



Nadiah Hanim Abdul Latif

Sustainability & Social Impact Advocate

Nadiah is a Strategic Advocacy and Corporate Affairs professional committed to developing effective collaborations that scale for impact. With over 20 years of experience ranging from corporate to NGO and humanitarian work, Nadiah is passionate about issues relating to sustainability, business & human rights, social impact and enterprise, youth empowerment, child rights, protection and development, as well as disability advocacy and access to resources.

A speaker, trainer, moderator, facilitator and youth mentor, Nadiah has had the opportunity to engage stakeholders from grassroots advocacy to participating in discussions on legislation and national action plans, both in Malaysia and abroad.

At present, she heads Strategy & Programmes at Yayasan Anak Bangsa Bisa, the impact foundation of Indonesia's largest tech ecosystem, the GoTo Group, is a Sustainability & Corporate Affairs consultant, the Co-Founder of social enterprises OpiS International and Play Unlimited, a Programme Host with Bernama News Channel, the President of the Malaysian Rare Disorders Society, the Regional Representative for Southeast Asia, Oman, Qatar and South Korea for the Phelan McDermid Syndrome (PMS) Foundation, an Assistant Child Protector for the Petaling District and a Child Court Advisor for Petaling Jaya.

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