



Regional Seminar-Workshop on "Strengthening Governance & Sustainability in DFIs"

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Manila, Philippines

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ADFIAP, in collaboration with the Washington D.C. based *Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE)*, will hold a 5-day regional seminar-workshop on "Strengthening Governance & Sustainability in Development Finance Institutions" from February 12-16, 2007 in Manila, Philippines. The program aims to develop a "governance-sustainable development framework" for ADFIAP member-banks and other financial institutions in the Asia-Pacific region by incorporating sustainable development into their investing, lending, and corporate activities.

The overall goal of the program is to build on the accomplishments of the ADFIAP-CIPE "*DFIs for Corporate Governance*" project that started in 2002 and to sustain the activities of the development finance sector across the region in good governance and sustainability best practices.

SPECIFICALLY, THE SEMINAR AIMS TO:

1. To raise awareness of corporate governance for sustainable development, the seminar will provide a forum for discussion of the role of good corporate governance in pursuing sustainable development and the initiatives ADFIAP members would want to formulate programs for and implement. The forum will include a presentation of the results of the UNEPFI survey on sustainable development programs and experience of responding Asia-Pacific banks.
2. To contribute to building institutional capacity, the seminar will emphasize that improvements in corporate governance will help make economic, social, human resource and environmental development more sustainable.
3. To build a better understanding of the basic concepts, measures and indicators of sustainable development, the seminar will include reading materials regarding best practices, case studies and presentations by resource persons and among participants regarding their experiences.
4. To build a network of ADFIAP member banks involved in sustainable development programs, the seminar will encourage and guide the formulation of simple sustainable development initiatives and programs that are underpinned by good governance policies and practices of banks

OUTPUTS OF THE SEMINAR:

At the end of the seminar, participants will submit and briefly present an outline of a sustainable development initiative or program containing the elements of a sound SD Program and identifying the supporting resources, timetable and corporate governance policy and process that will help ensure its success.

TARGET PARTICIPANTS:

Mid-to-senior level officers of banks and other financial institutions in the Asia-Pacific region who are involved in governance and sustainable development issues in their institutions; and those who are in lending, risk management, corporate planning and business development units.

DURATION OF THE SEMINAR:

5 Days

RESOURCE PERSONS:

- ✓ Dr. Cesar G. Saldaña, Ph.D
- ✓ Dr. Theta Ponce, Ph.D

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