



PRESENTS
**CONFERENCE ON
CONTEMPORARY ISSUES
IN BANKING**



Contemporary Issues

Background

With the changing perspective in the banking scenario, it is essential to step out of its collective comfort zone, digitalization and diversification in response to the changing consumer demands. The future of bank is projected to be more customer-centric as opposed to being driven by product and services.

In the midst of various aspects of Banking, Ethics forms the basis for trust that inextricably connects to the financial world. Regulators and supervisory reforms contribute to strengthening trust by placing the emphasis on robust risk cultures. It is important that the Banking supervisors be aware of these issues and contributes to the process.

In this regard, NBI announces the **Conference on Contemporary Issues in Banking** that highlights the most important aspects of operation in the Banking world namely; Ethics in Banking, Digitalization in Banking: The Unforeseeable Future, Understanding the key drivers in the current Merger and Acquisition environment, Risk Management under Basel Regime, and a discussion forum on the “Current Issues & Challenges in Banks” from the Provincial Perspective facilitated by the Senior Experts from the Regulator and Banking Industry.

Program Details

Date: 24th September, 2022

Time: 8:30am to 3:30pm

Venue: The Fern Residency, Bharatpur.

Program Details

Program Takeaways

The objective of the conference is to educate banking professionals about the paradigm shifts in Banking.

The participants are expected to take advantage of the conference as follows:

- Understanding of the ethics in the context of banks, guiding principles of banking ethics, do's and don'ts in banking ethics
- Understanding the power and prospect of digitalization in banking
- Understanding the International Best Practices in Risk Management
- Identifying and understanding the key drivers in the current M & A environment
- Understand critical skills needed for the future
- Get an opportunity to network and join a community of national thought leaders
- Get a platform to continually share their learning, seek help and get endless support from the community.

The conference shall be followed by the panel discussion session with the seasoned expert from the local industry.

Target Audience

- Province Heads
- Senior Management Team
- Branch Managers
- Operation In-charge
- Business Leaders
- Department Heads
- Line Managers
- Relationship Manager
- Anyone Interested

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Program Itinerary

| Time | Particulars |
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| 8.30 am - 8.55 am | Registration & Tea Coffee Cookies |
| 8.55 am - 9.00 am | Opening Session & Inauguration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome Speech by Mr. Kumar Lamsal, CEO, National Banking Institute |
| 9.00 am - 10.15 am | Ethics in Banking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker: Mr. Bhuvan Dahal, Past President, Nepal Banker's Association, Former CEO, Sanima Bank Ltd. (1 hr) Q&A -15 Min |
| 10:15 am- 11:30am | Digitalization in Banking: The Foreseeable Future <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker: Mr. Neelesh Man Singh Pradhan, CEO, Nepal Clearing House Ltd.(NCHL) (1 hr) Q&A -15 Min |
| 11:30am to 11:45am | Tea/Coffee/Cookies Break |
| 11:45am to 1:00pm | HR Management in Merger Process or Understand key drivers in the current M&A environment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker: Mr. Parshuram K Chhetri, Former CEO, Global IME Bank Ltd. (1 hr) Q&A -15 Min |
| 1:00pm - 1:45pm | Lunch Break |
| 1:45pm to 3:00pm | Risk Management under Basel Regime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker: Mr. Kumar Lamsal, Chief Executive Officer, National Banking Institute, Former Chief Executive Officer, Janata Bank Nepal Ltd. Q&A -15 Min |
| 3:00pm to 3:15pm | Tea/Coffee/Cookies Break |
| 3:15pm to 4:15pm | Panel Discussion: Issues & Challenges in Banks: A Provincial Perspective Panelist: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Bharat Thapa, Cluster Head, Nabil Bank Ltd. Mr. Ujjwal Rizal, Area Manager, NMB Bank Ltd. Mr. Durga Raj Pandeya, Province Head, Siddhartha Bank Ltd. Moderator: Mr. Kumar Lamsal Q&A -15 Min |
| 4:15pm to 4:30pm | Closing Ceremony |

Facilitators' Profile



Mr. Parshuram K. Chhetri

Former CEO- Global IME Bank

Banking Expert

Mr. Parshuram K. Chhetri commenced his banking career with Standard Chartered Bank (erstwhile Nepal Grindlays Bank) in June 1986 and worked in the areas of trade operations, branch management, corporate / business banking and credit risk until July 2003. After that he went to Nepal Bank and worked there as a team member of the Management Team employed by Bank of Scotland ICC Consulting under the contract overseen by NRB for the purpose of restructuring the Bank under Financial Sector Reform Project funded by World Bank and DFID.

Mr. Chhetri has worked as GM (equivalent to DCEO) in Citizens Bank International and as the CEO in Bank of Asia Nepal, Grand Bank Nepal, Janata Bank Nepal and Global IME Bank. He has also worked as the Consultant for DFID, World Bank, ADB, AEPC, etc., and has imparted numerous credit trainings as a professional trainer for various banking as well as non-banking staffs.



Mr. Bhuvan Dahal

Past President, Nepal Banker's Association

Former CEO, Sanima Bank Ltd.

Mr. Bhuvan Kumar Dahal, who started his banking career from Nabil Bank in 1991, has more than three decades of experience in the Nepalese Banking Sector. With eight years of experience of working as the CEO in Sanima Bank Limited, Mr. Dahal holds special interest in Corporate Governance and Ethics related issues. Mr. Dahal also has experience as the member of Accord Implementation Group (BaselII), Basel II Implementation Group and Banking Regulation Drafting Taskforce in Nepal Rastra Bank. He is also a member in Bank, FIs, Insurance, Capital Market & Co -Operative: Revenue Advisory Sub Committee Member in Finance Ministry and Security Board of Nepal as a member in ASBA Taskforce. Publications

- a. "A Handbook of Banking", co-authored with Sarita Dahal (reference book for graduate level)
- b. "Glossary of Banking Terms", co-authored with Late Bharat Upreti (Supreme Court Judge) et al.

Facilitators' Profile



Mr. Kumar Lamsal

Chief Executive Officer, National Banking Institute

Former CEO, Janata Bank Nepal Limited and Sanima Bank Ltd.

With over 25 years of experience in commercial banking, Mr. Lamsal has diversified experience in the field of Organizational Leadership, Strategic Planning, Management, Goal Attainment, Commercial and Consumer Lending, Project Financing, Credit Risk Analysis, Risk Management, Relationship Management, Portfolio Management, Credit Approval, Trade Finance, Compliance Service Excellence and Training.



Mr. Neelesh Man Singh Pradhan

Chief Executive Officer

Nepal Clearing House Ltd. (NCHL)

Mr. Neelesh Man Singh Pradhan has over 20 years of proven experience in the area of strategy development & implementation, public company management with profit & loss responsibility, financial management, banking & financial technology, project management, IT service management at various jurisdictions and at various roles.

Mr. Pradhan, the founding CEO of Nepal Clearing House Ltd. (NCHL), has successfully implemented and managed major national payment systems including electronic cheque clearing system, interbank payment system, real-time retail payment system, national payments interface-NPI, RTGS gateway and corporatePAY.

He has also assisted the Central Bank, Government/ Semi-Govt institutions, capital market stakeholders, large fund managers and other large institutions in an advisory role for their process re-engineering to adopt digital payments and development of the regulatory frameworks. In the past, he has also been responsible for the implementation of multiple banking and financial systems including Core Banking systems, Online Securities Trading Platform, Complex integrations/ migrations, BASEL II (Standardized Approach) System, ALM system and many other MIS systems. Supervised operation & support functions of major and critical banking & financial applications.

Panelist's Profile



Mr. Durga Raj Pandeya
Province Head, Bagmati Province
Siddhartha Bank Limited

Mr. Durga Raj Pandeya holds around two decades of experience in the Nepalese Banking sector. He started his banking career from NCC Bank where he was engaged for 8 years. From there he moved on to Civil Bank, and then to Siddhartha Bank, where he is currently working under the capacity of Province Head for Bagmati Province. Mr. Pandeya holds Postgraduate degree in Management. .



Mr. Bharat Thapa
Cluster Head- Manakamana Cluster
Nabil Bank

Mr. Bharat Thapa started his career at Nabil Bank in the year 2004. He has over 18 years of experience in the Nepalese Banking Industry. Currently, he is working under the capacity of Cluster Head for Manakamana Cluster (Branches of Makwanpur, Chitwan and East Nawalparasi) for Nabil Bank.



Mr. Ujjwal Rizal
Area Manager- Narayangadh Region
NMB Bank Ltd.

Mr. Ujjwal Rizal holds 16 years banking experience with specialization in relationship management. He started his career from Nepal Bank Ltd. as a Relationship Manager, and later, he moved to NMB Bank where he worked under the capacity of Branch Manager for various branches of the Bank, and as the Head of Karnali Province. His areas of expertise include MSME, SME, Agriculture, Corporate, Project and Hydro Power Financing.

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