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Background

Financial sectors constitute a continuum growth of economy. BFIs have immense potential to influence environment sustainability and bridge the gaps between development and environmental degradation trhough their project financing. However, financial sector faced hard times due to the growing numbers of Non-performing Assets (NPAs) and defaults. Needless to say, one of the factors responsible for this is inadequate Environment & Social (E&S) risks management.

Potential E&S risks, if not managed at the early stages of project financing, may result in disruption, delay or **stoppage of a project due to people's protests, environmental bottlenecks and judicial intervention. This puts** the investment at risk, and can severely damage the reputation of banks. Environmental and social (E&S) risks to financial institutions stem from E&S issues related to their client's/investee's operations. Considering these risks in the transaction review process helps financial institutions in reducing overall risk exposure.

Banks & Financial Institutions are there, for invited for one and half day training program focusing on E&S risks management. The program will help its participants understand the various E&S risks associated with commercial lending, and will guide the lenders in developing an effective internal E&S policy framework.

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Major coverage of the training program	Issues and challenges in adopting an E&S risks management framework	
	Learning from case studies	
	Applicable environmental and social policies for project lending	
	How global and multilateral banks are managing E&S risks	
	 Approach and framework for potential E&S risks identification in large infrastructure projects and SMEs 	
	Roadmaps for mainstreaming E&S risks in project financing	
Rationale	This course entails how E&S Risk Management Procedures should be designed to help Financial Intermediaries to better manage the risks that rise from E&S issues in their business activities	
	On completion of the course, participants will be able to clearly and confidently communicate these topics within their organization.	
Objectives of the course	• Bring participants up speed regarding the environmental and social risks involved in lending and investing projects as a consequence of the activities of their clients.	
	Guide participants through strategies and tools to detect, evaluate and mitigate these environmental and social risks.	
	• Explore next steps in terms of promoting the efficient implementation of E&S risk analysis in the financial sector	
Targeted Audience	Risk Managers, Credit Officers and Analysts working in BFIs, , MFIs, Investment Companies, Insurers, Venture Capitalists etc.	
Methodology	Training workshop including theory, illustrations, case studies and practical exercises	

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Day 1	Session I: UNDERSTANDING ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISK E&S issues of client's/investee's operations represent a financial, legal or reputational risk to a financial institution.
	Session II: MANAGING ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISK
	Financial institutions can manage E&S risk of their transactions by implementing a Environmental and Social Management System.
Day 2	Session III: IMPLEMENTING IFC ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL REQUIREMENTS
	Financial institutions doing business should comply E&S standards to manage risks associated with their operations.
	Session IV: ENVIRONMENT & SOCIAL RISKS BY INDUSTRY SECTOR Clients/investees operate in a variety of industry sectors with a range of environmental and social risks. A preliminary risk assessment can be conducted based on the sector of operation.
	Session V: IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIES - ANALYZING THE RISKS BFIs need to have deep insights into the risk analysis and management as per case study. This entails categorization as well as managing the risks
	Session VI: PRACTICAL EXERCISES, CASE STUDIES & DISCUSSION
	This course has been designed with the valuable inputs and sources from UNEP-FI & World Bank.
Date & Time	24 th (3:00pm to 6:00pm) & 25 th (9:30am to 5:00pm) August 2018
Venue	NBI Hall, Kathmandu
Facilitator	 Mr. Giri is Deputy Director at Nepal Rastra Bank (Central Bank of Nepal) and has over 20 years of experiences in central banking primarily in economic research, priority sector investments, financial market analysis, anti-money laundering and CFT bank compliances, internal audit and financial crime research. Recently, Mr. Giri has led a research on electronic banking fraud in Nepal. Mr. Giri, has participated as panelist and Conference Speaker at various international conferences. He has got in-depth knowledge and experiences on emerging investment tactics and policies around the Asia and pacific.
	Currently, Mr. Giri is specialized Trainer at Bankers' Training Centre of Nepal Rastra Bank and closely supervises, plans, design and develop training programs on financial reporting, AML/CFT, public relations of Banks/FIs, payment & settlement. Mr. Giri was amongst the central bankers who initiated Electronic Cheque Truncation in Nepal and successfully launched it since 2011. In his personal capacity, Mr. Giri is visiting faculty member of various colleges as Guest Lecturer on Financial Market Analysis, Financial Crime Prevention, AML compliances and also noted commentator and columnist of prominent economic and financial newspapers of Nepal.