

Tentative Agenda - Accounting and Finance Industry Forum- AFinFO 2019

Status and Prospects of the Sri Lankan Economy and the Financial Sector

Jointly Organized by the Department of Accounting and Finance, University of Ruhuna and the National Economic Council of Sri Lanka

Venue: Auditorium-Faculty of Fisheries and Marine Sciences & Technology, University of Ruhuna

Date: Thursday, 25th July 2019 (08.00 a.m. – 04.30 p.m.)

08.30 – 09.00 Inauguration Ceremony

08.00 – 08.20 Registration

08.20 – 08.30 Arrival of the Guests

08.30 – 08.35 Lightning the Oil Lamp

08.35 – 08.40 Introductory Remarks and Welcome Address

08.40 – 08.50 Address by the Dean, Faculty of Management and Finance, University of Ruhuna

08.50 – 09.00 Address by the Vice Chancellor, University of Ruhuna

09.00 - 12.00 Session 1: Chaired by Prof Lalith P. Samarakoon

09.00 - 10.00 Presentation 1: Sri Lanka Economic Situation and Prospects

Prof. Lalith P. Samarakoon, Secretary General and the Chief Economist, National Economic Council of Sri Lanka & Professor of Finance, University of St. Thomas, USA

10:00 – 10:30 Morning Tea

10.30 – 11.15 Presentation 2: Status and Prospects of Sri Lankan Capital Markets

Prof. Hareendra Dissabandara, Deputy Secretary General (Financial Affairs), National Economic Council of Sri Lanka & Senior Professor, University of Sri Jayewardenepura

11.15 – 12.00 Presentation 3: Financial Reporting Framework and its Role from the Financial Sector Development Perspective

Mr. Manil Jayasinghe, Vice President, Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka

12.00 – 01.00 Networking Lunch

01.00 - 03.30 Session 2: Chaired by Mr. C.J.P. Siriwardana

01.00 – 1.45 Presentation 4: Recent Developments in the Banks and Financial Institutions of Sri Lanka

Mr. C.J.P. Siriwardana, Deputy Secretary General (Economic Affairs), National Economic Council of Sri Lanka & former Deputy Governor of Central Bank of Sri Lanka

01.45 – 2.30 Presentation 5: Corporate Finance and Business Investments: Experience of LAUGFS Holdings

Mr. W.K.H. Wegapitiya, Chairman/Group CEO, LAUGFS Holdings Limited

02.30 – 02.45 Afternoon Tea

02.45 – 03.30 Presentation 6: Unique business model of the financial services industry and future challenges arising therefrom

Mr. Raja Senanayake, Director, Senkadagala Finance PLC and Serendib Finance Ltd. Former AGM (Finance & Planning), Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC. Head of Process Development, Smart Media.

03.30 – 04.00 Panel Discussion: Chaired by Prof. Hareendra Dissabandara

Panel Members: Prof. Lalith P. Samarakoon, Mr. C.J.P. Siriwardana, Mr. W.K.H. Wegapitiya, Mr. Raja Senanayake.

04:00 – 04:30 Concluding remarks and Vote of Thank