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Banking Leaders Gather to Discuss the Future of Banking and the Latest Digital Technology at AICB's Global Banking Conference 2018

KUALA LUMPUR, 12 July 2018 – In line with its strategic vision to help build a more competent and professional banking workforce for the future, the Asian Institute of Chartered Bankers (AICB) organised the Global Banking Conference 2018 (GBC 2018) on 10-11 July 2018 at Sasana Kijang, Bank Negara Malaysia. Themed “Banking in The Digital Age: Disruption. Reinvention. Revolution”, the conference provided a platform to promote discourse and debate on the latest emerging technologies, trends, and challenges shaping the future of the banking industry and the strong need for banks to clarify their digital strategies, develop new capabilities and transform their cultures.

The two-day conference featured several prominent local and international speakers including Philipp Kristian Diekhöner, digital innovation strategy leader and author; Sandeep Lal, Managing Director of Digital DBS Consumer Banking Group Singapore; Cyril Duffy, Chief Operating Officer, HSBC Bank; Rajesh Singh, Managing Director, Head Of Asean And South Asia Strategy, Standard Chartered Bank Singapore; Domenic Fuda, CB, Group Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, Hong Leong Bank Berhad; Michael Foong Seong Yew, Group Chief Strategy Officer & Chief Executive Officer, International, Maybank Group and many more.

AICB chief executive officer Prasad Padmanaban said, “As the banking industry moves rapidly towards digitalisation, the demand for talent with the right skill-set to drive this becomes greater. Though financial institutions may have the best digital strategy in place to leverage on opportunities in the digital ecosystem, it is important to note that if we lack the key enablers – such as the right culture, human capacity, expertise and skills – then our efforts will be in vain.”

He added that GBC 2018 is one of AICB's significant initiatives as it represented an important part of the Institute's continuous learning and thought leadership development as well as a successful collaboration with industry. This platform provides an opportunity for tremendous industry sharing between the banking fraternity.

GBC 2018 also commenced with a series of technology labs to introduce and showcase emerging technologies in banking, including cognitive computing and artificial intelligence (AI), blockchain, robotic process automation (RPA), and cognitive claims. This was followed by a Design Thinking Session to help participants get started on driving innovation.

For highlights, videos, and stories from the GBC 2018, go to: www.aicb.org.my/thought-leadership/events/, www.facebook.com/TheAICB/ and www.linkedin.com/company/asian-institute-of-chartered-bankers/.

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