

Confirmed Speaker List

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Dr. Indrajit Coomaraswamy

**Governor of Central Bank of Sri Lanka
Chairman of the Monetary Board**

Dr. Coomaraswamy has over 30 years of experience in policy making and providing economic advisory services, on both macroeconomic and structural issues at National and Intergovernmental levels. He served as Director of Economic Affairs at the Commonwealth Secretariat, Sri Lanka. He was an official in the Central Bank of Sri Lanka from 1974 to 1989 where he worked in the Economic Research, Statistics and Bank Supervision divisions. During this time he was also seconded to the Ministry of Finance and Planning from 1981 to 1989.

He was employed by the Commonwealth Secretariat from 1990-2008. During that time he held the positions, inter alia, of Director, Economic Affairs Division and Deputy-Director, Secretary-General's Office. He was subsequently Interim Director, Social Transformation Programme Division, Commonwealth Secretariat (Jan-July 2010). He served various times and was involved in advising the Prime Minister and the Minister of Economic Reform, Science and Technology, Sri Lanka on negotiating with Bretton Woods Institutions and other major donors, Central Bank of Sri Lanka and the Ministry of Finance & Planning on matters relating to macroeconomics and structural reforms.

Dr. Coomaraswamy served as a Non-Executive Independent Director at Tokyo Cement Company (Lanka) PLC from March 2011 to July 3, 2016. He served as an Independent Non-Executive Director of John Keells Holdings PLC from February 7, 2011 to July 8, 2016. He served as Director of MMBL-Pathfinder.

Dr. Coomaraswamy obtained his B.A. (Hons) and Masters in Economics from the Cambridge University of UK in 1972 and subsequently obtained a Doctorate from the University of Sussex in 1981.



Dr. Harsha de Silva, MP

Minister of Economic Reform and Public Distribution of the Government of Sri Lanka

Harsha de Silva is Member of Parliament from Colombo and currently Minister of Economic Reform and Public Distribution of the Government of Sri Lanka.

An economist by training, Harsha's objective in politics is to help create a prosperous nation where all citizens enjoy the same rights and privileges. His most satisfying achievement thus far has been founding the much loved '1990 Suwa Seriya' nation-wide pre-hospital care ambulance service.

Harsha has a PhD in economics from the University of Missouri and has had executive training at both MIT and Harvard. He is married with two children and lives in Colombo.



David Mann
Global Chief Economist, Standard Chartered Bank

David is responsible for Standard Chartered's global economic research, based in Singapore. He leads a team of economists based in 12 locations, including China, Hong Kong, Korea, India, Singapore, Indonesia, Dubai, the UK and the US. David was previously Chief Economist for Asia at Standard Chartered and before that was based in New York, responsible for Americas research coverage and providing clients with the Bank's views on Asia in the US time zone. Prior to his time in New York, David was a founding member of the FX strategy research team based in London (2000-05) and Hong Kong (2005-09) with Standard Chartered.

David has macroeconomic and FX expertise in Asia and the G7. In 2001 he was awarded the Rybczynski Young Economist Prize for his work on the Malaysian Ringgit Barometer. David appears regularly on BBC World, CNBC and Bloomberg Television. He was formerly a member of the British Chamber of Commerce Hong Kong Business Policy Unit Committee. He holds a BSc in economics from the University of Warwick and an MSc in finance from the University of London (Birkbeck College).



Suan Teck Kin, CFA
Head of Research, Executive Director, Global Economics and Markets Research, United Overseas Bank

Teck Kin joined UOB as an economist in 2006. In his current role as Executive Director in Global Economics and Markets Research, he is responsible for macroeconomic and foreign exchange research with a primary focus on China, Hong Kong and Taiwan, and secondary coverage for the ASEAN region. As a member of the Research team, he presents the team's market views regularly to the Bank's management team and clients in Singapore and the region.

Teck Kin has more than ten years of experience in macroeconomic and equity research. Fluent in English and Mandarin, Teck Kin is interviewed frequently by local and international print and broadcast media, as well as financial newswires on the economic and market outlook.

Prior to UOB, Teck Kin held various positions in equity and credit analysis in other financial institutions in Singapore, Canada and Taiwan.

Teck Kin graduated with a Master's degree in economics and a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the Simon Fraser University, Canada. He is also a Chartered Financial Analyst charter holder.



Dr. Tuan Q. PHAN (PhD Harvard, BSc MIT)
Associate Professor (with tenure)
Dept. Information Systems & Analytics, National University of Singapore

Dr. Tuan Q. Phan is an Associate Professor (with tenure) at the National University of Singapore in the Department of Information Systems and Analytics (School of Computing), and the Department of Analytics and Operations (Business School), a Research Team Lead at the Institute of Application of Learning Science and Educational Technology, and affiliated with the Business Analytics Centre.

His research spans multiple disciplines including economics, marketing, consumer behavior, computer science, and statistics. His expertise covers various industries including retail and e-commerce, logistics and transportation, social media, news and video media, technology and consumer products, education, and FinTech. He received his doctorate from Harvard Business School, and an undergraduate from MIT. He is also an entrepreneur, and frequently consults industry leaders.



Martin Liebi
Dr.iur., LL.M., Attorney-at-law
PwC
Legal FS Regulatory and Compliance Services
Head Capital Markets

Martin has more than 14 years of work experience in the areas of private banking, asset management, capital markets, and investment banking. He has worked for leading U.S. and Swiss law firms.

He advises banks, securities dealers, financial market infrastructures, and other financial market participants on all matters related to financial market regulation, financial products, contracts, and other documentation with a focus on trading and financial market infrastructure topics such as MiFID II, FinfraG, SFTR, MAR, PSD, and others. Martin is also involved in M&A, restructurings, IPO, share & bond placements. He plans and leads also large scale regulatory change and compliance alignment projects. Digital Banking/Fintech especially related to payment systems and financial market infrastructures is a growing part of his practice. One of his key focus areas is also accompanying Chinese financial services companies in their market entry into Switzerland.

Martin holds a Master in General Management from Harvard University (MSc.), a Master in Law from Stanford University (LL.M.), a PhD in Law from the University of Zurich (Dr.iur.), and a Master in Law from the University of Fribourg (Lic.iur.). Martin is also a CAIA-Chartholder and admitted to the bars in Zurich and New York.

Martin regularly publishes on actual topics in financial market regulation, asset management, capital markets, restructurings, corporate law, and M&A. He is also a frequent speaker on conferences and industry gatherings (University of St. Gallen, University of Zurich, Swiss Finance Institute), especially about capital markets and banking.

Martin is lecturer in capital markets law at the University of Zurich's LL.M. program in Banking and Finance and a judge at the commercial court of Zurich (Banking/M&A/Capital Markets).