

Countering Trade Based Money Laundering Masterclass for Licensed Banks, Law Enforcement Agencies and Regulators in Sri Lanka - January 25-26, 2023.

The Asian Development Bank's Trade and Supply Chain Finance Programme, in collaboration with the Financial Intelligence Unit of Sri Lanka (FIU), organized a two-day workshop for Licensed Banks (LBs), Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) and Regulators on countering Trade Based Money Laundering (TBML) during January 25-26, 2023 at the Centre for Banking Studies. Over 100 participants attended the workshop. Officers from LBs together with officers from the Sri Lanka Police, Sri Lanka Customs and FIU participated the first day of the workshop while the second day was dedicated to LEAs and FIU.



The programme was inaugurated with welcome remarks by Mrs. Enoka Mohotty, Director/FIU. Introductory remarks on the ADB's Trade and Supply Chain Finance Programme and the TBML Pilot Initiative were made by Ms. Neha Noronha, the Relationship Manager for ADB's Trade and Supply Chain Finance Programme in South Asia and Mr. Alexander R Malaket, Executive

Consultant of ADB's Trade and Supply Chain Finance Programme and the President, OPUS Advisory Services International Inc.

Mr. Gavin Coles, an internationally experienced risk and compliance professional with a financial crime focus, and Mr. Nathan Lynch, an experienced trainer, educator, speaker and writer in the fields of money laundering and financial intelligence conducted the workshop and it was assisted by Ms. Catherine D Estrade, AML/CFT Consultant, Private Sector Operations Department of the ADB.

Workshop was successfully concluded with the closing remarks delivered by Mrs. Mohotty, Director/FIU who graciously acknowledged of the role played by resource persons and of the assistance rendered by ADB to address a national concern in combating TBML.