How Boards Have Evolved in Myanmar

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GUEST SPEAKERS



Sandra Min

FOUNDER DIGITAL HEALTH IMPACT VENTURE



Thazin Aung

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AYA BANK PCL



Thura Ko Ko

MANAGING DIRECTOR YGA CAPITAL LIMITED



NON

AGENDA

2:00 pm – 2:05 pm	Opening Remarks	
	Mr. Ian Fox, CEO of British Chamber of Commerce Myanmar	
2:05 pm – 2:15 pm	Brief presentation on board structure, effectiveness, and dynamics	
	Daw Thiri Thant Mon, Executive Director of Myanmar Institute of Directors	
2:15 pm – 3:00 pm	Candid panel discussion with three experienced board directors sharing their observations and experiences	
	 Daw Sandra Min, Founder of Digital Health Impact Venture Daw Thazin Aung @ Jasmine, Chief Executive Officer of AYA Bank PLC U Thura Ko Ko, Managing Director of YGA Capital Limited 	
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Interactive Q&A session allowing participants to engage directly with the panelists	



About MIoD

- The Myanmar Institute of Directors is Myanmar's leading corporate governance institute.
- We operate with a mission to improve the efficiency, effectiveness and professionalism of boards and board directors, and to promote excellence in corporate governance standards and their application by companies and organisations by impacting board efficiency.
- We aim to be the cornerstone organisation developing effective leaders that govern businesses and institutions with the highest ethical standards and enhance investor confidence in Myanmar's private sector and capital markets.
- Our main purpose is to strengthen Myanmar by helping institutions get stronger through their corporate governance mechanisms.
- We support companies and directors through our education programmes, resources, events, advisory services and peer-to-peer networks.

MIOD ACTIVITIES



Stronger Governance | Stronger Institutions | Stronger Myanmar

Our Vision

To strengthen Myanmar by advancing the highest level of ethical values, corporate governance, and the professional development of directors

Our Mission

To promote excellence in corporate governance standards and their application by companies and organisations To develop effective leaders who govern businesses and institutions with highest world class ethical standards To improve the efficiency, effectiveness and professionalism of boards and board directors To enhance investor confidence in Myanmar's private sector and capital markets



Training and Certification















Webinars

LEADERSHIP SERIES

MINDFUL LEADERSHIP



🚺 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm **Myanmar Time** 👤 Zoom Online

0.5 Continuing Directorship Education (CDE) credits





ONLINE WEBINAR

INTELLIGENT ENTERPRISE DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION ROADMAP AND AI FOR BUSINESS SPEAKER

..... Thursday, 27th July 2023

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm (Myanmar Time)

Zoom Online



Free for members MMK 30,000 for Non-members

Dr. Tun Thura Thet **Board member of MIoD**

Registration: trainingandevent@myanmariod.com and +95 9 400 151 419, 427 363 904



WHAT IT REALLY MEANS TO BE A DIRECTOR

How directors are different from management, and

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM (Yangon Time), 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM (Singapore Time)

21st April 2022 (Thursday)

To register, please contact:

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In collaboration with thinking ASIA

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Philip Forrest Governing Council Singapore Institute of Directors (SID)

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Effective Boards



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Board <=> Corporate Governance

"Corporate governance is different from management. Management runs the enterprise. The board ensures that it is being run

well and is running in the right direction. A clear distinction needs to be drawn between the two." **Robert Tricker Board's Role** Accountability and Supervision **Corporate Governance** Strategic Management **Corporate Management Executive Management Decision and Control Operational Management** Source: Robert I. Tricker, Corporate Governance, 1984

Source: IFC – Implementing Corporate Governance Practices – A Resource Guide for Microfinance Institutions in Myanmar



Board Effectiveness: What Should be Considered?

Structure & Composition	Board Roles & Responsibilities	Functions & Behaviors
✓ Optimal size	✓ Board vs. management	 ✓ Effective working procedures (meeting proceedings,
 ✓ Appropriate committees (e.g., audit, 	✓ Chair's role in leadership facilitation, and representing the	frequency)
remuneration, nomination)	board to key stakeholders	 ✓ Candid, collaborative discussions focused on strategic
 ✓ Mix of executive, non- executive and independent 	 Board understands its oversight duties and has appropriate 	issues and key matters
directors	processes in place	 ✓ Challenge management effectively
 ✓ Diversity (skills, background, age, gender) 	✓ Directors understand duties and	
	responsibilities to the company and shareholders	 Exercise independent judgement free from conflicts of interest
		 ✓ Self-evaluation and regular director training



Panelists Introduction



Daw Jasmine Thazin Aung Chief Executive Officer of AYA BANK PCL



Daw Thazin Aung @ Jasmine presently holds the position of Chief Executive Officer of AYA Bank PCL and she is a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Bank. In her capacity with AYA Bank PCL, she takes charge of business development management and making strategic decisions to ensure the Institution's sustainable and profitable growth. Formerly, she was the Deputy CEO and Managing Director of Corporate Business and led Corporate Banking Business and Financial Institutions establishment.

In addition to her Chief Executive Officer role, she also co-heads and takes several roles with AYA Financial Group ("AFG"). With AFG, she takes charge of AYA Trust Securities Co., Ltd as the Managing Director for Capital Market Activities including securities brokerage and Corporate Finance transactions. From her capacity with Corporate Finance activities, she oversees and monitors diversified investment portfolios that includes existing, on-going, and new business ventures of Chairman's investment office as well new Mergers and Acquisitions ["M&A"], Joint Ventures with Potential Partners for AYA Financial Group's entities and/or investment in new ventures. She served as non-independent member of the Board of Directors of AYA SOMPO Insurance Co. Ltd. from September 2019 to February 2024.

She holds a master's degree in Business Administration (Corporate Finance) from Nottingham Trent University. Before joining AYA Financial Group, she was a PwC Advisory Partner and local Lead Director/Partner for PwC Myanmar. She has over 16 years of professional experiences including 11.5 years with PwC Singapore and PwC Myanmar for audit, financial advisory and consulting and 5 years in the Maritime service industry in Myanmar.

Daw Sandra Min Founder of Digital Health Impact Venture



Sandra Min is an experienced senior executive, bringing years of innovative leadership within financial services, strategic development, business development, and client management in the United States, Singapore and Myanmar. She has spent her career developing responsible and well-sounded strategies and solutions for both affluent corporate and high-net-worth stakeholders. Prior to co-founding a digital health impact venture, Sandra founded Agri-food venture, advised KBZ Bank, worked for Yoma Bank in Myanmar and Yoma Strategic Holdings in Singapore. Before her career in Asia, she also worked for Fortune 500 Financial Institutions such as Wells Fargo and US Bank in the U.S.

Sandra is a certified board director of the Myanmar Institute of Directors, an appointed co-chairperson of the Myanmar Chapter of the Women Corporate Directors, and a member of International Finance Corporation's independent directors, for advancing visionary corporate governance. She also serves on the board of Microfinance Institution and digital health impact venture in Myanmar.

U Thura Ko Ko Founder of Digital Health Impact Venture



Thura Ko Ko is the founding partner of YGA Capital, a Myanmar-registered advisory company focused on identifying and investing in attractive growth opportunities in Myanmar for TPG Capital, the global private equity fund and a TPG associated Indonesia-focused fund, Northstar Pacific. He is formally a Senior Advisor to TPG.

Prior to returning to Myanmar in 2010, Mr. Ko worked for over 12 years in global investment banking and private equity firms covering Asia out of Hong Kong. He was most recently a Vice President at Providence Equity, the global telecom and media fund. Prior to this, he worked for Goldman Sachs, the global investment bank, and N.M. Rothshchild, the U.K.-based privatization and M&A house.

Transactions completed included the privatization of Philippines national electricity grid, Transco, and advising on strategic investments into Vietnam's water distribution and treatment plants.

In Myanmar, he is a member of the board of directors for Apollo Towers Myanmar Limited, a telecom tower operator with over 1,500 towers installed; Pacific Star Finance Limited, a trial micro-finance company; and Myanmar Distillery Company Limited, a leading local beverage company.

In addition, Mr. Ko is also an advisor to the Ayala Group and in particular, Manila Water Company on their ambitions in delivering public water distribution and waste water management services in Myanmar.

Mr. Ko holds a B.Sc. in Economics from the London School of Economics, University of London and was elected as a Young Global Leader for the World Economic Forum in 2013.