



Association of Credit Rating Agencies in Asia

PROGRAM

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Theme: “ACRAA Initiatives in a Season of Pandemic Panic”

Explanatory Note:

This webinar is intended for an ACRAA internal audience. It is our attempt to grapple with the unexpected COVID-19 calamity as this affects the CRAs in their work and business pursuits, raising issues on our role as credit watchers and “watchdogs” for the financial markets. Is our work of greater relevance now? How can we be more effective in providing predictive value? What new technological tools do we need? Issues like these come to the fore.

With almost a year of pandemic panic, the webinar hopes to illumine the facts available to us for our better appreciation of what CRAs are demanded to do in a very much changed economic, social and even political environment.

Time Allocation

10 minutes	Introduction to the Webinar. Introduction of Speakers.
5	Webinar house rules/procedures Ms. Faryal Faheem

PART I

- 15 “Factoring in Government Stimulus Programs as Determinants Into Credit Rating Analyses of Financial Institutions”
By: Mr. Gavin Gunning
Senior Director, Global and Asia-Pacific Sector Lead, Financial Institutions Ratings, Standard & Poor’s
- 5 Question and Answer Period
- 15 “Fiscal Policy Responses to COVID-19 Shock: Implications to the Sovereign Credit Ratings”
By: Mr. Atsushi Masuda
Chairman/ACRAA; and
Counselor and Chief Analyst, Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd.
- 5 Question and Answer Period

Part II

- “An ACRAA Agenda for the Next Five Years”
- Panel of Distinguished Speakers:
- 10 Mr. Faheem Ahmad
Vice Chairman/ACRAA; and
President for Strategic Planning and Global Relationships,
Islamic International Rating Agency, Bahrain
- 10 Mr. T.N. Arun Kumar
Chief Rating Officer
CARE Ratings Limited., India
- 10 Mr. Chong Kwee Siong
Senior General Manager, Group CEO’s Office
RAM Rating Services Berhad, Malaysia
- 15 Question and Answer Period
- 10 “A Needed Communications System for ACRAA – More Than Ever”
By: Ms. Faryal Faheem
Chairperson, ACRAA Communications Committee
- 10 Question and Answer Period and Wrap Up by Anchor