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AFA welcomes its new Office Bearers for 2022-2023

Change in AFA leadership signifies a new spirit for the ASEAN accountancy profession

JAKARTA, December 30, 2021 – Following a two-year leadership term, the current AFA Office Bearers will officially depart from their positions on December 31, 2021. It has been a challenging period for President Wan Tin (Myanmar Institute of Certified Accountants or MICPA). Deputy President Professor Public Arunruangsirilert (Federation of Accounting Professions of Thailand or TFAC), and Treasurer Professor Chan Yoke Kai (Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants or ISCA), as AFA continues to navigate through the uncertainties that come with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Under their leadership, AFA has successfully embraced and leveraged technology to facilitate the development of the ASEAN accountancy profession and expand its network of collaboration with a wider group of stakeholders. In the period of 2020-2021, AFA has organised 24 webinars on relevant issues such as reporting and auditing standards, sustainability, and digital competencies and skills. The Federation also supported more than 40 of its member organisations' activities and participated in more than 30 stakeholders' events. Continuing with AFA's commitment to contribute to the region's research capacity on topics relevant to the profession, on December 2020, AFA published its AFA Research Report 2020 on ASEAN SMPs Technological Competency Skills.

On January 1, 2022, AFA will welcome President Voravit Janthanakul (President, Federation of Accounting Professions of Thailand or TFAC), Deputy President Doan Xuan Tien (Vice President, Vietnam Federation of Accountants and Auditors or VAA), and Treasurer Henry Tan (Council Member, Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants or ISCA) as the new AFA Office Bearers for the period of 2022-2023. The AFA leadership is based on rotation among its ten Primary Members, providing opportunities for the PAOs to take over the leadership and lead the collective efforts of the AFA member organisations to develop the ASEAN accountancy profession.

"AFA would like to thank the departing AFA Office Bearers (2020-2021) and look forward to working with the incoming AFA Office Bearers (2022-2023) on our plan to build the capacity of the ASEAN accountants" said Aucky Pratama (Executive Director, AFA).

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About AFA (ASEAN Federation of Accountants)

AFA (www.afa-accountants.org) was organised on March 12, 1977, to serve as the umbrella organisation for the recognised national Professional Accountancy Organisations (PAOs) of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Member States. Through its ten Primary Members, AFA has a regional network of more than 200,000 accountants in the ASEAN region, supported by a global network of Associate Members with close to 3 million members worldwide. AFA is an accredited Civil Society Organisation of the ASEAN recognised under the ASEAN Charter and an IFAC Network Partner.

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