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AI in BANKING

How banks are using AI as a competitive advantage in compliance, wealth and fraud management.
LESSONS FOR THE PHILIPPINES

DATE September 17, 2025
TIME 10:00am - luncheon event
PLACE Manila House Private Club

HYPERVERGE **QNXX** **TCG PurposeLab**

Event Program

10:00 | Invocation

10:10 | Introduction – Richard Mills



10:20 | **Krishan Grover**

Founder & CEO
AIFB Pte Ltd

WELCOME: Krishan is an ex-banker and founder of Grover Consult Pte Ltd. He is focused on Innovation, Digital transformation and new technologies in the Philippines. His various companies help financial organizations accelerate their growth in ASEAN. AIFB creates solutions for banks and financial companies using AI.

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10:30 | **Umang Moondra**

Chief Executive Officer
APIX Platform

SPEAKER: Umang is a transformation leader with over 20 years of leadership experience. He previously managed US\$500M business units for Citigroup across APAC. He also led national-level initiatives such as the AML Blueprint for the Association of Banks in Singapore. Umang serves on the Board of YouTrip and is an active angel investor. APIX enables Financial Institutions to rapidly discover, evaluate, and test cutting-edge fintech solutions from around the world.



10:50 | **Lawrence Ferrer**

President & CEO
CIS Bayad Center

SPEAKER: Lawrence is head of the country's biggest and widest multi-channel payment platform. He leads Bayad's full transition to a full-service Fintech company. He is considered one of the nation's premier fintech leaders. Lawrence previously had senior leadership roles with industry innovators: Unionbank, PayMaya and Smart Communications.





11:10 | Eugene Acevedo

*Board Director and former President & CEO
Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation (RCBC)*

SPEAKER: Eugene led RCBC into extensive digital transformation, winning multiple awards in innovation including best digital bank and best retail bank. RCBC also took major strides in sustainable finance resulting in landmark green bond issues which support renewable energy projects. Eugene has been a banker for over three decades. He was previously Managing Director at Citibank, responsible for Hong Kong and Taiwan Global Markets. His other senior roles include being regional head of Asia derivatives sales, and country treasurer for the Philippines and Hong Kong. He was also President and CEO of Philippine National Bank, SEVP of UnionBank, and Chairman of City Savings Bank.

11:30 | Panel Session



John Januszcak

*Former President & CEO
UBX*

MODERATOR: John led UBX's evolution from corporate venture studio into a full-fledged FinTech company driving digital transformation for enterprises. He raised capital from global investors; launched market-shaping ventures; and facilitated corporate innovation. John is considered an important leader in financial inclusion. John previously led Manulife's large Philippine operations.





Abbie Casanova

President & CEO
SB Finance

PANELIST: Abbie has over 25 years of consumer banking experience and extensive experience in consumer finance, small business loans and credit cards. She has successfully managed and scaled various secured and unsecured consumer and small business loans portfolio. Abbie has held senior positions in multinational and domestic banks like Citibank, GE Money, BDO and Security Bank.



Bindhu Nelson

Managing Partner
TCG PurposeLab

PANELIST: Bindhu is a technology and business leader with over two decades of experience driving digital transformation across Asia. She previously spent 14 years at Microsoft where she led Cloud and AI initiatives. At PurposeLab, Bindhu spearheads the development of agentic AI and multi-agent frameworks that power intelligent RegTech solutions specifically designed for the financial services industry.



Noel Gamboa

Managing Director
Capman Consulting

PANELIST: Noel helps global and regional companies enter and expand in the Philippines by providing strategic introductions, regulatory navigation, and deep market intelligence. CapMan was founded in 2012 as an executive search and leadership advisory firm.





Saket Kumar Jha

Chief Revenue Officer - APAC & MEA
HyperVerge

PANELIST: Saket has 20 years of expertise scaling business in APAC & MEA for B2B SaaS Products. He is responsible for Southeast Asia (SEA), Middle East & Africa (MEA) for his company. HyperVerge helps businesses prevent fraud and remove verification barriers, enabling universal access to digital services regardless of age, location, or technical expertise.



Unni Pillai

Head of Technology - Financial Services (APAC)
Amazon Web Services (AWS)

PANELIST: Unni acts as the CTO of AWS operations across Asia with focus on the financial sector. He works closely with C-Suite and boards to transform digital capability to meet changing customer expectations and drive business growth. Unni was previously Chief Architect for Citi across Asia, spearheading regional teams driving digital, big data, analytics, and AI/ML initiatives.

12:20 | Lunch & Networking

