

ESG Workshop on Data Governance and Assurance

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Businesses are facing more restrictions on the materials they use, the products they produce, and the safety of their facilities as sustainability becomes increasingly important. Both voluntary and involuntary restrictions are being imposed by a variety of different industry initiatives as well as governmental and non-governmental organizations, many of which overlap and each with its own reporting requirements. Business compliance and assurance functions face an increasing number of demands due to the need to verify adherence to these growing standards and restrictions.

At this stage of global efforts to address climate change, assurance services are particularly important, as cap-and-trade systems for carbon proliferate and the need to verify carbon credits that can be traded internationally increases.

Besides being necessary to ensure compliance, assurance can play a pivotal role in dispelling scepticism arising from some unfounded promotions of products as "green" and some sustainability reports in which elaborate descriptions of green activities mask de facto continuations of business as usual. Reliable assurances of claims that a particular product exacts less of a toll on resources and other aspects of sustainability can help to restore confidence in and support for bona fide sustainable business efforts.

This workshop has been created to assist members of HKICPA to strengthen their technical knowledge of ESG data governance and assurance.

In this workshop, the speakers will cover:

- Market overview on ESG data
 - Types of ESG data, and why it matters
 - ESG data governance and internal controls
 - Integration of ESG and financial reporting
- ESG data assurance
 - ESG assurance overview (type, scope and market practices)
 - Values of ESG data assurance
 - Steps to ESG assurance

Speakers	Mr. Cyrus Cheung , Partner, PwC – ESG Services Ms. Iris Chan , Manager, PwC – ESG Services Mr. Gavin Fung , Manager, PwC – ESG Services (Speakers' profiles are printed overleaf)	
Date	Tuesday, 25 April 2023	
Time	2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	
Venue	Hong Kong Institute of CPAs 27/F., Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong	
Format	Workshop	
Language	English and Cantonese	
Fee	HKICPA member, student or IA: HK\$900 Non-member: HK\$1,100	
Competency*	Industry knowledge	
Sub-competency*	Business and product knowledge	
Rating*	Intermediate level	
CPD hours	3	
Enrolment deadline	24 April 2023 (offline enrolment by 21 April 2023)	
Registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online registration is recommended, please click here or visit www.hkicpa.org.hk To register offline (by post or by email), please complete the enclosed enrolment form and return it with full payment to the Institute Enrolments will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis with priority given to the Institute's members If the workshop needs to be cancelled, HKICPA will notify all applicants by email on or before 21 April 2023 and arrange full refund. 	

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About the speakers

Mr. Cyrus Cheung, Partner, PwC – ESG Services

Mr. Cheung has extensive experience in sustainability advisory, corporate governance, risk management, internal controls, and assurance. Particularly, he has extensive experience in providing advice to listed companies to improve their performance with respect to ESG factors.

Mr. Cheung also provides professional training and advice on sustainability to companies in a variety of sectors, such as real estate, infrastructure, construction, conglomerates, ports operations, logistics, and others.

Currently, Mr. Cheung is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Accountants (HKICPA), and the Deputy Chairman of the Sustainability Committee of the HKICPA.

Ms. Iris Chan, Manager, PwC – ESG Services

Ms. Chan has coordinated projects relating to ESG strategy development and implementation in line with global standards, limited assurance over client's ESG data in accordance with ISAE 3000 (Revised) and ISAE 3410, as well as advisory services on ESG reporting enhancement in line with Global Reporting Initiatives (GRI), United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the ESG Reporting Guide issued by the HKEX.

Currently, Ms. Chan is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Accountants (HKICPA).

Mr. Gavin Fung, Manager, PwC – ESG Services

Mr. Fung has led the limited assurance work in accordance with ISAE 3000 (Revised) and ISAE 3410 on GHG emission and other KPIs required by the reporting framework, and also green finance post issuance. Mr. Fung is also experienced in advisory service on ESG reporting in line with International reporting standard as well as advisory service with the international rating agencies such as GRESB, Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes (DJSI), CDP, including advisory on disclosure of asset-level quantitative data

Currently, Mr. Fung is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Accountants (HKICPA).



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