Speaker Biography



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Kavinda is the Director and Head of the Corporate & Investment Bank of Citibank N.A. Sri Lanka. He has over 23 years' experience in the Banking Industry. Citi is a U.S. banking conglomerate. It is the world's most global financial institution with presence in over 100 countries and a rich history of over 200 years.

He has overall responsibility for the Global subsidiaries group (GSG), Top Tier Large Corporates (TTLC), Public Sector (PSG) businesses in Sri Lanka and provides leadership to the Financial Institutions Group (FIG). He is a member of the Country Management Committee & sits on all country franchise related committees. He is a Business Credit Officer with delegated credit authority.

His overall exposure covers 19 years in Corporate & Investment banking, Risk Management, Strategic Planning, Debt Capital Markets, Development Banking, Project Finance, SME lending, Banking Operations, Trade, cash management and treasury FICC products solutions.

Apart from above Kavinda is also involved in lead credit analysis/ approval, round table discussions of clients & industry groups with financial modelling, stress testing and early warning monitoring. Furthermore he is a key senior member of the team in Corporate Finance transactions such as Loan syndications, Export Credit Agency financing and also involved in Debt Capital Market Transactions; and in advising & structuring finance solutions to clients.

He is a Fellow of CIMA U.K.; Fellow of the Institute of Bankers of Sri Lanka & a Member of CIM U.K. Obtained his MBA from the University of Colombo (Merit pass) and was a Gold medalist. Kavinda also sits on the CIMA U.K. Global Membership Panel since 2011. He was a Chief Examiner, Moderator & advisor to the Institute of Bankers of Sri Lanka. He is also a visiting lecturer to the University of Colombo for MBA programs.

His interests cover reading both fiction & nonfiction, tennis, travel and running.