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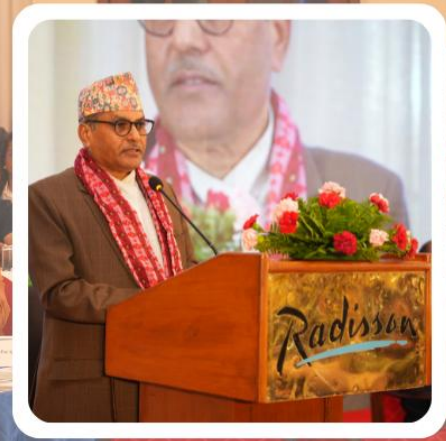
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# Conference on Global Economic and Technological Landscape: Strengthening Growth, Ensuring Stability and Embracing Innovation

In Celebration of  
**BFIN's 7th Year Anniversary**

and Presentation of  
**BFIN L&D EXCELLENCE AWARD 2025**

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**Kathmandu, Nepal**



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## Introduction

In a world marked by geopolitical uncertainties, economic volatility, and the growing need for sustainability, achieving resilient growth and long-term stability has become more important than ever. Global economies are grappling with challenges like inflation, supply chain disruptions, and the shift toward a low-carbon economy. At the same time, rapid developments in digital finance, artificial intelligence, and changing trade dynamics are transforming financial markets and regulatory frameworks. In this environment, thoughtful policy interventions and innovative financial solutions are crucial for ensuring sustainable economic progress.

To mark BFIN's 7th anniversary, the conference “**Global Economic and Technological Landscape: Strengthening Growth, Ensuring Stability and Embracing Innovation**” will bring together policymakers, industry leaders, financial institutions, and economic experts for in-depth discussions on the challenges and opportunities shaping the global economy. The event will cover vital topics, such as sustainable finance, economic recovery, regulatory frameworks, and the impact of digital transformation on financial services. Through engaging dialogue, the conference will offer actionable insights on policies and strategies that can drive economic resilience and sustainable growth.

As the global economic landscape evolves, driven by changing trade policies, energy transitions, and new regulations, collaboration across sectors is essential. Governments, financial institutions, and the private sector must work together to create solutions that promote financial stability, economic inclusion, and sustainable development. This conference will provide a platform for thought leaders to exchange ideas, form strategic partnerships, and find ways to navigate these complexities, helping to shape the future of global economic progress.

By sharing knowledge and engaging in collaborative discussions, participants will gain valuable insights and strategies to address the challenges facing the banking and financial services sector in today's interconnected and innovative world. Ultimately, the conference will equip industry professionals with the tools they need to drive sustainable growth and ensure the continued relevance and resilience of banks, insurance companies, and financial institutions in an ever-changing global landscape.

## BFIN L&D Excellence Award 2025

The BFIN Learning and Development (L&D) Excellence Award, established in 2023, recognizes organizations that demonstrate exceptional commitment to employee development and active participation in BFIN's training initiatives. This award underscores the importance of continuous learning and capacity building within the banking, insurance, microfinance, and finance sectors.

Awardees are classified into three tiers—Platinum, Gold, and Silver—based on key evaluation criteria, including total revenue, number of employees trained, participation in open, customized, and international programs, journal advertising, conference sponsorship, and BFIN membership. To ensure comprehensive recognition, sector-specific awards will be presented to Commercial Banks, Development Banks, Finance Companies, and Microfinance Institutions.

Recipients of this distinguished award will be granted scholarship seats in International Training Programs, offering valuable global exposure and advanced professional development opportunities. Through this initiative, BFIN reaffirms its commitment to fostering excellence and strengthening institutional capabilities within the financial sector.

## **Key Objective of the Program**

- To delve into the changing global economic and technological landscape and its implication for growth, sustainability and innovation in Nepal
- To understand associated risks and challenges in the current financial system
- To discuss way forward to bring actionable ideas, create a resilient and stronger economic and financial environment

## **Proposed Discussion Agenda**

### **Session Theme I: Evolving Global Economic and Technological Landscape – Trends, and Implication**

***Keynote Address: “Innovative Green Financing in Action: Lessons from Nepal’s First Public Green Bond”***

#### ***Sub-Themes:***

1. Macroeconomic Outlook 2025: Navigating Growth Amid Uncertainty
2. Rethinking the Future of Microfinance: Navigating Reform for Long-Term Sustainability
3. Strengthening Financial Systems: Banking Sector Stability in a High-Risk Global Landscape

### **Session Theme II: Navigating Today’s Financial Challenges: Managing Emerging Risk and Driving Innovation for a Resilient Future**

***Keynote Address: “Digital Adoption: Fintech, AI, and the New Age of Financial Services (American Insights)”***

#### ***Sub-Themes:***

1. Non-Performing Assets: Trends, Implications, and Resolution Mechanisms
2. Insurance Sector Transformation: Addressing Systemic Gaps Through Innovation and Market-Led Growth
3. Financial Inclusion: Barriers to Access and Acceleration
4. Protecting Clients through Stronger Accountability Systems

### **Session Theme III: Moving Forward – Strategies for Resilience, Innovation, and Growth**

***Keynote Address: “Designing Tomorrow - Practical Approaches to Innovation for Building Resilient Organizations and Driving Long-Term Growth”***

#### ***Sub-Themes:***

1. Lessons from Financial Crisis: Strategies for Recovery
2. Empowering Underserved Sectors and Advancing Regional Transformation through Development Banking
3. Managing Risk: Reimagining Insurance for a Resilient Nepal
4. HR Innovation: Maintaining Ethics and Integrity in the Organization



## Speakers Likely to Address the Conference

The conference will feature renowned experts from various fields, including senior officials from central banks, leading economists, financial sector leaders, and policy advisors from Nepal, India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, and beyond. The conference will be inaugurated by the **Dr. Prakash Kumar Shrestha**, Member, National Planning Commission, who will deliver the opening remarks along with Board Members of Nepal Rastra Bank.

### Chief Guest



**Dr. Prakash Kumar Shrestha**  
Member  
National Planning Commission

### Guests of Honor



**Mr. Chinta Mani Siwakoti**  
Board of Director  
Nepal Rastra Bank



**Dr. Ravindra Prasad Pandey**  
Board of Director  
Nepal Rastra Bank

### Eminent Speakers



**Dr. Gunakar Bhatta**  
Office of the Governor  
Department, Nepal Rastra Bank



**Mr. Guru Prasad Paudel**  
Executive Director, Banks and  
Financial Institutions Regulation  
Department, Nepal Rastra Bank



**Dr. Ram Sharan Kharel**  
Executive Director, Economic  
Research Department  
Nepal Rastra Bank



**Ms. Izabella Koziell**  
Deputy Director General  
ICIMOD



Senator h.c. Honorary Consul  
**Prof. Dr. Georg Bouche MBA**  
IU International University  
Germany



**Ms. Laura Jalasjoki**  
Country Representative  
Nepal and Pakistan  
Global Green Growth Institute



**Mr. Anand Jha**  
Vice President (Head of  
Government Engagement:  
India & South Asia), Visa



**Mr. Anton Arumugam**  
President, Association of  
Professional Bankers (APB),  
SVP, DFCC Bank, Sri Lanka



**Prof. Emeritus Anona Armstrong**  
AM – Victoria University  
PhD (Melb), B.A. (Hons.) (Melb),  
GradDip Public Policy (Melb), Dip  
Company Director (Uni. New  
England)



**Dr. June Smith**  
Deputy Chief Ombudsman,  
Australian Financial  
Complaints Authority  
Australia



**Mr. Surendra Raj Regmi**  
Vice-President  
Nepal Bankers' Association  
CEO, Global IME Bank Limited



**Mr. Govind Ghimire**  
Chief Executive Officer, NMB  
Bank Limited



**Mr. Suyog Shrestha**  
Chairman, Development Bankers  
Association Nepal  
CEO, Shangri-la Development  
Bank



**Mr. Sudyumna Prasad Upadhyaya**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Sanima GIC Insurance Ltd.



**Mr. Pravesh Rijal**  
Chief Data and AI Officer  
Cross River Bank  
USA



**Dr. Bharat Singh Thapa**  
Microfinance Expert and Director-  
MBA Finance, Central Department of  
Management, Tribhuvan University



**Ms. Upasana Poudel**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Himalayan Reinsurance Limited



**Ms. Sheetal Jain**  
Vice-President, SRO  
Microfinance Industry  
Network (MFNI), India



**Dr. Binod Atreya**  
Managing Director  
BFIN

## **Distinguished Participants**

This conference is targeted to officials from BFIs, corporate houses, representatives from rating agencies, and individuals interested in banking and economic developments. We anticipate a gathering of 150-200 participants, including industry leaders, invited guests, and media personalities.

## **About BFIN**

Banking, Finance and Insurance Institute of Nepal Limited (BFIN) was established under Company Act 2063 on August 14, 2018 (2075 Shrawan 29). The main objectives of this Institute are to offer training, workshop and seminar and enhance the knowledge, skills and capabilities of the employees of financial sector and other stakeholders, conduct research and consulting to strengthen the financial sector, offer specific accredited courses and creating data bank for the use of banking community and help strengthen the financial systems in Nepal.

## **BFIN Expertise**

- National & International Training, Conferences
- Executive Search Program (Head Hunting)
- Certified Professional Courses
- Management Consultation (Salary Survey, HR Policy, HR Audit, Business Consultancy)
- Recruitment Services
- Advertisement
- Research

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