



Opening Remarks

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Brunei Darussalam Sustainable Finance Roadmap (SFR)
“Sustainable And Climate Resilient Financial Sector”

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Bismillah Hir Rahman Nir Rahim
Alhamdulillah Rabbil 'Aalameen,
Wassalaatu Wassalaamu 'Alaa Asyrafil Ambiya E'wal Mursaleen,
Sayyidina Muhammadin Wa'alaa Aalihee Wasahbihee Ajma'een

Yang Berhormat

Dato Seri Setia Dr. Haji Abd Manaf bin Hj Metussin
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Chairman of BDCB Board of Directors

Yang Mulia

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Permanent Secretary (Economy, Trade and Industry)
Ministry of Finance and Economy
as Board Member of BDCB

BDCB Executive Management

Senior Government Officials and Senior Executives from the Private Sector,
Distinguished Guests

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh and a very good afternoon,

1. Alhamdulillah, first and foremost, we are honoured to welcome Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Haji Abd Manaf bin Haji Metussin, Chairman of BDCB Board of Directors, as our esteemed Guest of Honour for today's launch of the **Brunei Darussalam Sustainable Finance Roadmap**. This milestone represents our shared commitment to transforming the financial sector into a key enabler of Brunei Darussalam's journey towards a low-carbon, sustainable economy.

2. BDCB recognises that climate change and social inequality are not only moral concerns. They are real financial risks that can affect stability, growth, and the well-being of our people. It is imperative that our financial system remains resilient, adaptive, and aligned with the goals of sustainable development.
3. The development of this Roadmap has been a long but immensely rewarding journey, guided by our Board of Directors and Brunei Darussalam National Climate Change Council (BNCCC). With a time horizon of six years from 2025 to 2030, the Roadmap is designed to drive the adoption of a sustainable and climate-resilient financial sector through three (3) main goals:
 - a. First, to increase the financial sector's readiness in managing the impacts of sustainability-related risks on financial stability;
 - b. Second, to facilitate the development of sustainable financial products and services; and
 - c. Third, to enhance the adoption of sustainable practices in financial institutions' business models and strategies.
4. Indeed, the challenges to achieve these goals are complex, spanning multiple industries and disciplines. It is clear that no single organisation can address the sustainability agenda alone and meaningful collaboration is essential to success.
5. On this note, I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to all key stakeholders, including the Prime Minister's Office, the Ministry of Finance & Economy, and the financial industry, as

well as those who have collaborated closely with BDCB, through the Sustainability Development Committee, for bringing this initiative to life.

6. This collective effort stands as a testament to our common vision to steer Brunei's financial system towards long-term resilience and sustainability.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

7. Today's launch marks the beginning of a new chapter in our shared journey to strengthen and transform Brunei Darussalam's financial landscape — one that continues to serve the needs of our people, safeguard our environment, and support sustainable economic development.
8. The financial sector plays a vital role in channelling resources towards projects and investments that not only generate economic returns but also deliver meaningful environmental and social impact. Our mission is clear: to make sustainable finance mainstream — integrated seamlessly into core business strategies, risk management, and governance.
9. Moving forward, BDCB will continue to work hand-in-hand with all stakeholders to build a strong and enabling foundation for sustainable finance. This includes supporting the development of a common language, enhancing disclosure practices, embedding climate risk into financial supervision, and ensuring that sustainability considerations are incorporated into macroprudential policy.
10. We will also ensure that this transition is fair and inclusive — leaving no community, sector, or individual behind. In doing so, we uphold the aspirations of Wawasan Brunei 2035, which envisions a nation that is

educated, highly skilled, and resilient, underpinned by a dynamic and sustainable economy that provides a high quality of life for all.

11. In closing, once again, I would like to extend my appreciation to our esteemed speaker and panelists on their sharing of knowledge, and to our Guest of Honour and other special guests for setting time aside to attend today's launch event. I look forward to the insightful exchanges and in planting the seeds of change with all of you today in making the Sustainable Finance Roadmap a success.

Wabillahi taufiq walhidayah, wassalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.

Thank you.