

BOC hosts Future of Finance Session



Kavinda de Zoysa, Chairman of BOC (fourth from right) with Andrew Harding, Chief Executive of Management Accounting at AICPA and CIMA (fourth from left), along with other officials.

The Bank of Ceylon (BOC) hosted a thought leadership session titled 'Future of Finance.' This event brought together distinguished industry leaders and finance professionals to explore the evolving landscape of finance, driven by digital transformation, changing customer expectations, and regulatory developments.

The session was attended by notable figures including Kavinda de Zoysa, Chairman, BOC (FCMA CGMA); Andrew Harding (FCMA, CGMA), Chief Executive of Management Accounting at AICPA and CIMA; Irene Teng, Executive Vice President of Global Markets at AICPA and CIMA; Venkkat Ramanan (FCMA, CGMA), Vice President for APAC at AICPA and CIMA; and Tharindu Wijewardana (ACMA UK, CGMA), Country Head of AICPA & CIMA Sri Lanka. Also present were BOC's Corporate and Executive Management members, staff, and CIMA representatives.

The keynote address was delivered by Harding, who provided valuable insights into how the finance profession is being redefined in the digital age and emphasized the critical roles of agility and innovation in financial leadership. Following this, a compelling panel discussion took place featuring Harding and Kavinda de Zoysa.

They shared their views on the future of the finance function. Nilantha Meneripitiyage, Chief Risk Officer, BOC, moderated the event and the discussion explored key themes such as the integration of advanced technologies, the evolution of regulatory frameworks, and the growing need for customer-centric financial solutions. The conversation was enriched with perspectives on talent transformation, data-driven decision-making, and the increasing importance of sustainability in finance.