

## InLife ranks third Top Investment House, Ruth Velasco receives Most Astute Investor award

The Asset Awards recently named Insular Life as the third top investment house for the Philippine insurance industry.

The Asset Awards also awarded Investment Management Division's Ruth Velasco, Vice President and Head of Fixed Income, as the "Most Astute Investor" in the Asian Local Currency Bond – Philippines.

Now on its 20th year, The Asset Awards is Asia's preeminent recognition for those who have excelled in their respective industries.

Since 2000, The Asset conducts the Asian Local Currency Bond Benchmark Review every year. The review provides a wealth of data on the investors' product needs, and on the bank's market penetration in local currency bonds. It covers over 300 fixed income investors across Asian markets, including China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan and Thailand.



InLifer Ruth Velasco receives the "Most Astute Investor" recognition from The Asset Awards.

## InLifers learn about corporate governance in the digital age



Mr. Ricardo Jacinto discusses the risks and opportunities presented by technological innovation (left photo), while Ms. Julie Reyes explains how technology can support Anti-Money Laundering Programs (top photo).

As part of Insular Life's commitment to good corporate governance, the Board of Trustees and Senior Management recently attended a learning session on Corporate Governance in the Digital Age.

The learning session featured three modules about the important technological developments and their impact on corporate governance. The modules were discussed by the teaching fellows from the Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD).

The first module, "Digital Trade-Offs: Promise and Peril in the 21st Century Economy" was discussed by Mr. Ricardo Jacinto, owner of Anfield Management Consultancy Services. The module focused on the risks and opportunities presented by technological innovation. It also discussed genomics, artificial intelligence, big, data, blockchain, and cybersecurity.

The second module, "AML in the Age of Technology" included an overview of Money Laundering and the Anti-Money Laundering Act, money-laundering case studies, and how the technology can support AML Programs. This module was discussed by Ms. Julie Reyes, Paymaya's Head of Compliance and Risk Management Office.

The last module "Strategic IT Governance" enumerated the focus areas and best practices for IT Governance in the midst of disruptive business trends. This was discussed by Mr. Richard Moya, National Technology Officer of Microsoft Philippines.

The Continuing Governance Education session was led by Atty. Renato De Jesus, Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer; and organized by the Compliance Unit of the Legal and Corporate Services Division.

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