Introduction

The world is changing in the pace which no one has seen it before. Technological advancement especially digital technology emerging as the main disruptor of many industry including banking. On the other hand, increasing population as well as unsustainable economic growth results in natural resource and environmental quality degradation which calls attention and collaboration from all parties to drive business and consume natural resources in responsible manner for the next generation.

Siam Commercial Bank PLC (SCB) sets our vision to be the Most Admired Bank in Thailand which taking the view of customers, regulators, shareholders, employees and society at large into account. Therefore, the bank does not focus solely on quick profits but on building a better future for all stakeholders through our banking activities.

Therefore, SCB defines Responsible Lending Programme under the Sustainable Banking umbrella to integrate environmental and social risks consideration into SCB lending practice which is the core business of the bank. SCB has engaged with both internal and external stakeholders through a series of consultation to understand their expectation for the programme development. The principles and elements of Equator Principles and IFC Performance Standards are also applied as appropriated by considering the market and industry practices.

As SCB believes the sustainability is a journey, we thus also focus on programme monitoring and regular review to ensure continuous improvement. The bank is currently developing Responsible Lending Roadmap in order to build a clear journey to achieve our aspiration in this area.
SCB Responsible Lending Factsheet

The Elements

SCB Responsible Lending is fully integrated into our principle framework for credit process, the Credit Policy Guide, to ensure its implementation. The key elements of responsible lending are as follows:

- **Exclusion List**
- **E&S Categorisation**
- **Sector Specific Guide**
- **Approval Authority**
- **Monitoring**

The exclusion list screening which defines type of project SCB not finance; environmental and social (E&S) risk categorisation which assess risk levels and requires different approval authority according to the risk; sector specific guide check are applied according to the type of lending/ finance and applicable industry sectors. The information will be considered in due diligence activities and included in credit approval process before carrying on to develop mutual agreement and monitor compliance status.