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ACCA, AUN-BE, and AUN Secretariat join forces to enhance career opportunities for accounting and finance graduates

The ACCA today entered a new agreement with AUN for Business and Economics Network (AUN-BE) and the AUN Secretariat to support accountancy career opportunities for university students and to ensure the region has the sustainable business profession needed to transition to a more sustainable future.

The agreement was signed at a joint conference in Bangkok to discuss delivering the UN Sustainable Development Goal relating to ‘quality education’ through developing new finance professional skills for graduate employability.

Under the agreement, ACCA will support and develop ASEAN university education programmes to prepare students for successful accountancy and finance careers. This will include capacity building initiatives in ASEAN universities, such as a Student Exchange Programme among ACCA embedded programmes, and updating curriculums and syllabuses.

Speaking at the conference, Mr Pulkit Abrol, Asia Pacific Director, ACCA said: “The scale of rapid change we’re experiencing across global markets, along with the increasing urgency of the climate crisis, means the role of accounting and finance professionals will be critical to delivering long term, sustainable value.

“We’re delighted to collaborate with the ASEAN University Network to equip graduates with a number of core emerging capabilities so they can capitalise on new opportunities and help navigate the organisations they work with through future challenges.”

As the student population in the region grows, and becomes more diverse, so does the need for evolving learning and development with the latest innovations in education support.

Dr. Choltis Dhirathiti, ASEAN University Network Executive Director, commented: “Educators play an important role in developing ‘fit for future’ sustainable business and finance professionals. This collaboration sets out to build professional competence and effective performance, supporting economies and businesses and increasing opportunities for students.”

* The ASEAN University Network (AUN) comprises “30 Core” member universities in the Ten ASEAN Countries.

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We are supporting more than 233,000 members and more than 536,000 students from 178 countries to develop successful careers in accounting and business in order to meet the criteria of employers. We have a network of more than 100 offices and more than 7,000 partnering enterprises around the world who have high quality of working environment, training and developing employees. We advance the development of qualified financial accounting regimes and conduct supporting research to ensure that the financial and accounting profession continues growing with a strong far-reaching influencing reputation, with the goal to promote the common good of the community.

ACCA regularly improves its professional ACCA Qualification Programme to ensure its current and future members continue to be an adequate, highly valuable and globally reachable accountant.

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