



- Event:** Net Impact Bangkok Professional Chapter monthly meeting
“Green Commodities: A market-based approach to Sustainable Development”
- By:** Joseph D'Cruz, Advisor to the Environment and Sustainable Development Group of UNDP Regional Centre in Bangkok
- Date/Time:** Thursday 20th August, 12:00-13.30
- Location:** Room 503 (5th floor), Sasin Graduate Institute of Business Administration of Chulalongkorn University (see map attached)
- Fee:** THB300, includes lunch (THB200 for members)
- RSVP:** specialprojects@sasin.edu; tel. 08-1815-4099

Sasin and Net Impact Bangkok Professional Chapter cordially invite you to the **Net Impact Bangkok Professional Chapter monthly luncheon meeting on Thursday 20th August, noon, at our regular venue - Sasin Graduate Institute of Business Administration of Chulalongkorn University, Room 503.** Please note that, with the exception to holidays, our Chapter continue to schedule lunchtime meetings every 3rd Thursday of each month

Last month, members and guests had the opportunity to hear Mr. Steven Gomberg, the Finance Director of Asia Biogas Co., Ltd. give a talk on “Sustaining the Environment: Turning Organic Waste into Biogas”. Please find Andrew’s presentation slides in the meeting notes attached.

This month, we are honoured to welcome **Mr. Joseph D'Cruz, Advisor to the Environment and Sustainable Development Group of UNDP Regional Centre in Bangkok**, who shall speak on the topic “**Green Commodities: A market-based approach to Sustainable Development**”. An abstract of the talk and our speaker’s bio follows.

ABSTRACT

The speaker plans to outline the UNDP’s thinking about the link between sustainable supply chains and human development, poverty alleviation and equitable growth. As part of the mandate for sustainable human development, UNDP is broadening the focus of their work from traditional, donor-funded development aid interventions to more market-based, private-sector driven development models. Some examples of UNDP’s work and thinking, to see how this might complement the approaches that members of the audience are involved in, will be given.

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Joseph (JD) D’Cruz is a Regional Advisor with the Environment and Sustainable Development Team of the UNDP Regional Centre, based in Bangkok. Working through UNDP’s network of Country Offices, JD advises client countries across the Asia-Pacific region on issues relating to sustainable development, natural resource management, climate change and related policy and investment issues. Amongst other issues, he leads UNDP’s Green Commodities work in the Asia-Pacific, working with governments, industry and producer communities to strengthen the sustainability of supply chains for key global commodities such as coffee, cocoa, rice and palm oil.

Note that, although facilities are compliments of Sasin, there is a minimal charge for lunch at Bt300 per person (Bt200 for Net Impact members), payable at the door. To help us prepare adequate seating and catering, please email specialprojects@sasin.edu or phone 08-1815-4099 to express your intention to attend. For membership information and application, please visit www.netimpact.org.