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Regulations on Anti-Money Laundering Through Commercial Banks in Singapore and ASEAN Countries Lessons for the Implementation of Regulations in Vietnam
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ABOUT THE SEMINAR

According to the reports of the Asia Pacific Group on Money Laundering (APG) and the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), Vietnam has been repeatedly warned as a target for money laundering through commercial banks. Although the legal framework on anti-money laundering in Vietnam included in the Criminal Code Regulations, the State Bank Law (2010), the Law on Credit Institutions (2010) and the Law on anti-money laundering (2012) are sufficient, the criteria on money laundering, money laundering risks and anti-money laundering measures have not been specifically regulated, and cross-border money laundering has not been properly focused on. In addition, there are still a lot of shortcomings in the customers' information management system of commercial banks, the inspection and supervision system, the accounting system and the implementation of the law on money laundering in Vietnam. My research will discuss the legal framework on money laundering through commercial banks, look into legal framework and the implementation of the law in Singapore and some other ASEAN countries such as Thailand, Malaysia, and Indonesia. Because of the shortcomings in the legal framework and the implementation of the law in Vietnam, the regulations of Singapore and other ASEAN's countries may serve as lessons for improvements of the Vietnamese regulations.

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