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Kanchana Hewavitharana appointed as Chief Operating Officer for HSBC Sri Lanka and Maldives

HSBC has appointed Kanchana Hewavitharana as Chief Operating Officer for Sri Lanka and Maldives effective September 2018. He succeeds Sriyan Cooray who retired from HSBC in May 2018 having served within the HSBC Group since 1990.

Prior to taking on his current role, Kanchana served as the Chief Financial Officer of HSBC Sri Lanka and Maldives since 2012. He has also been an active member of the Executive Management Committee (EXCO), Asset and Liability Management Committee (ALCO) as well as Risk Management Meeting (RMM).

Kanchana joined the HSBC Group in 2004 from Nestle Sri Lanka. During his illustrious fourteen year career with HSBC, Kanchana has covered a number of senior management roles across the Asia Pacific region including HSBC Hong Kong, Vietnam and Sri Lanka.

Kanchana was instrumental in driving transformational change in finance across three HSBC markets. He was a key member of the HSBC Group's Finance cloud strategy development team.

Kanchana had his early education at Royal College Colombo and went on to obtain his Fellowship from the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (UK). He is a CFA Charterholder and Associate Member of the British Computer Society (UK). He also holds a MBA from University of Southern Queensland, Australia.

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