



A Message from **ANZCham's** Board Member, **Luisa Rust**

Decision-making today is shaped by a more volatile and uncertain environment. Business is increasingly required to act with limited visibility and shifting conditions. In this context, success depends less on perfect foresight and more on the ability to adapt—balancing speed, discipline and resilience. Critically, managing risk now requires not just judgement, but stronger credit management practices, supported by the right tools, data and systems to improve visibility and enable more confident, timely decisions.

Our recent June MMM, themed “**How Are You Operating Your Business Forward in a VUCA World?**”, provided an opportunity for members to reflect on managing risk and growth in today’s volatile and unpredictable environment. Shaped by pandemic disruption, supply chain shocks, geopolitical tensions, and rapid technological change, the current landscape is increasingly uncertain and requires a fundamental shift in how organisations approach both growth and risk.

A sobering yet timely presentation was delivered by **Coface** representatives **Darren Chan**, Country Manager Philippines, and **Manny Cabanero**, Commercial Director. They highlighted key trends, including global corporate insolvencies reaching a decade high, rising inflation in the Philippines increasing finance costs and pressuring cash flows, and cash cycles extending beyond 94 days and trending toward 120 days.

This set the stage for a practical and thought-provoking panel discussion featuring **Ginger So-Amprimo**, Chief Financial Officer of **Schneider Electric**. A key insight was that risk is no longer defined by sudden failure, but by gradual erosion through extended payment cycles and weaker recovery outcomes. The panel emphasized that businesses are shifting focus from pure expansion to future-proofing operations—by diversifying partnerships, strengthening risk management, and embedding resilience into strategy. **Ginger** also underscored that receivables management is not just a back-office function, but a whole-of-business effort that includes the sales team.

For **ANZCham** members, the message was clear: managing receivables, setting disciplined credit terms, and acting early on warning signs are now core capabilities. Providers such as **Coface** are supporting this shift with practical solutions, including trade credit insurance to protect against non-payment, real-time buyer monitoring and credit assessments to identify early risk signals, and defined credit limits to manage exposure across customer portfolios.

These tools enable businesses to grow with confidence—offering competitive terms while protecting cash flow. As [Darren Chan](#) noted, “*you wouldn’t go out in the rain without an umbrella.*” In a less predictable world, resilience is no longer defensive; it is a competitive advantage.

Best Regards,

Luisa Rust

Board Member, [ANZCham](#) and Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner, [Austrade](#)

June Monthly Members’ Meeting



On 18 June, [ANZCham](#) brought together business leaders & decision-makers at Makati Shangri-La, Manila for our **June Monthly Members’ Meeting**, “**How Are you Operating Your Business Forward in a VUCA World?**”, an engaging conversation focused on building resilience in an era defined by volatility, uncertainty, complexity, and ambiguity.



In partnership with [Coface](#), the session featured valuable industry perspectives from [Darren Chan](#) (Country Manager - Malaysia & Head of Philippines, [Coface](#)), [Manny Cabanero](#) (Commercial Director - Philippines, [Coface](#)), [Ginger So-Amprimo](#) (Chief Financial Officer, [Schneider Electric](#)), with [Luisa Rust](#) (Senior Trade & Investment Commissioner, [Austrade](#)) serving as panel moderator.



A key theme throughout the discussion was the need for businesses to remain **flexible and forward-looking**. The panel emphasized the importance of embracing innovation, empowering teams to adapt to change, and strengthening decision-making processes in increasingly complex operating environments.

We extend our sincere thanks to our Event Partners, [Clinique de Paris](#) and [id8](#). This event is also supported by the [Australian Government](#).



📸 **Relive our June Monthly Members' Meeting!**

Join our Viber Community for the Official Photos

Australia Alumni Sustainability Forum



Australia Alumni don't just stay connected, they stay active in shaping national priorities. On 3 June, [ANZCham](#) participated in the [Australia Awards Alumni Sustainability Forum, "Ready, Net, Zero: Powering a Green Future"](#), to discuss how the Philippines can accelerate its clean energy journey.

Conversations evolved around renewable energy, workforce readiness, policy and innovation, with a strong emphasis on partnerships across sectors. The discussions emphasized how collaboration remains one of the most powerful drivers of sustainable and inclusive economic growth.

The forum highlighted the strength of the Australia Alumni network in fostering meaningful collaboration and practical solutions for shared sustainability goals. ANZCham is pleased to support initiatives that strengthen Australia–Philippines partnerships and contribute to a more resilient and sustainable future.

ANZCham x Philippine Airlines



ANZCham had the pleasure of meeting with [Philippine Airlines \(PAL\)](#) on 11 June to explore strategic partnership opportunities. PAL facilitates seamless connectivity through direct services from Manila to Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, and Perth, supporting the movement of businesses and opportunities between the Philippines, Australia and New Zealand. This year also marks Philippine Airlines' 85th anniversary, celebrating more than eight decades of connecting the Philippines with key destinations.

Marking a major milestone, Philippine Airlines (PAL), the national flag carrier of the Philippines, will become [oneworld's](#) 16th member airline following the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on June 6. Read more [here](#).

This milestone further reinforces the value of ANZCham's partnership with PAL in advancing business connectivity between the Philippines and the ANZ region.

Investing in Women Forum: Smart Economics



On 17 June, [ANZCham](#) attended the stakeholder session **Evidence on Care Demands, Social Norms, and Women's Economic Participation in the Philippines**. Organized by [Investing in Women](#) with the support of the [Australian Embassy in Manila](#), the event convened representatives from government, business, and the development sector to discuss evidence-based approaches to advancing women's economic equality in the Philippines.

The session presented key findings from the [Social Norms, Attitudes, and Practices Survey \(SNAPS\)](#) and the [Future Demand for Care \(FDC\) study](#), highlighting how gender norms and growing care demands continue to influence women's participation in the workforce.

Through presentations and a multi-sectoral dialogue, participants explored the importance of stronger care systems, supportive workplace policies, and cross-sector collaboration in creating more inclusive opportunities for women and driving sustainable economic growth.

Malaysia Airlines: Elite Trade Partner Evening



ANZCham was invited to attend Malaysia Airlines' inaugural **Trade Connect and Elite Trade Partner Evening** on 25 June at the Grand Hyatt Manila, which gathered senior leaders from the travel, tourism, aviation, and business sectors.

The programme featured the airline's latest commercial and product developments, alongside discussions on strengthening tourism, connectivity, and collaboration across the region. The evening also provided an opportunity for industry stakeholders to reconnect and exchange insights on the current travel landscape.

The event also marked a positive step towards exploring partnerships, with discussions focused on potential collaborations that could deliver greater value and connectivity for the ANZCham community.



July Monthly Members' Meeting

One Click Away

*How Close Most Businesses
are to a Major Breakdown*

21 JULY 2026

5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

MAKATI SHANGRI-LA

ISABELA A

Session Pointers:

- The most common and overlooked entry points for cyber disruption
- How small gaps escalate into major incidents
- What practical safeguards matter most today in Cybersecurity

★ NEW MEMBERS' NIGHT

The Chamber is growing – so is your opportunity.

*Meet the newest companies joining ANZCHAM and expand your
network with fresh connections and new perspectives.*

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NOW**

COST PER SEAT:

Addtl. Member: Php 2,900

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Register Now

How strong is the network you're building?

This July, [ANZCham](#) brings together two important parts of business resilience: staying prepared in a digital-first environment and building stronger connections within the business community.

Join us for our **July Monthly Members' Meeting** on **21 July 2026**, from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM at **Makati Shangri-La, Isabela A**, for a timely discussion on how businesses can better understand, prepare for, and respond to today's cybersecurity risks.

The session **One Click Away: How Close Most Businesses are to a Major Breakdown** will open timely conversations on today's cybersecurity risks, from overlooked entry points to the safeguards businesses need to consider before disruption happens.

The evening will also begin with our **New Members' Night**, making the July MMM the perfect opportunity to build meaningful relationships, and welcome the newest additions to the ANZCham community.

We extend our appreciation to our Event Partners, [Kantanna](#) and [Clinique de Paris](#), and Booth Partner, [BPO International Inc.](#)

 **21 July 2026**

 **5:30 PM - 8:00 PM**

 **Makati Shangri-La Manila, Isabela A**

 *Register now and secure your seat.*

[Register Now](#)

TICKET

- ANZCham Members – Free (one complimentary seat)
- Additional Members – ₱2,900
- Non-Members – ₱3,500

 *Please note: Payment is required upon registration regardless of attendance. Tickets for no-shows are non-refundable.*

August Monthly Members' Meeting

AUGUST MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETING

Ready, Set, Bid!

Qualifying Your Business for Asian Development Bank Projects

ADB invests billions in projects every year—and SMEs have a place at the table.

Learn how to access ADB project opportunities and navigate the bidding process with confidence - even if you're an SME.

 **18 August 2026**
5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

 **Makati Shangri-La**
MAKATI A & B

Guest Speaker

Hae Kyong "HK" Yu
Vice-President for Administration
& Corporate Management, ADB

WHAT YOU WILL GAIN



Understand ADB's investment priorities and project pipeline.



Navigate procurement framework and best practices.



Learn how to engage with ADB and build lasting partnerships.



Preview the ADB Business Opportunities Fair 2026.

REGISTER NOW

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 **Accessing major development projects doesn't have to be out of reach for SMEs, you just have to know how to position yourself correctly.**

Join [ANZCham](#) for our **August Monthly Members' Meeting** on **18 August 2026**, 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at **Makati Shangri-La (Makati A & B)**, and get an exclusive access on how companies can qualify for and participate in [Asian Development Bank \(ADB\)](#)-funded projects.

The session **Ready, Set, Bid!: Qualifying Your Business for Asian Development Bank Projects** aims to provide insights into ADB's procurement process, key requirements, and

how businesses can better position themselves to compete for billion-dollar project opportunities.

We are pleased to introduce our Guest Speaker **Hae Kyong “HK” Yu**, *Vice-President for Administration & Corporate Management*, [Asian Development Bank](#), who will share perspectives on ADB’s investment priorities, project pipeline, and pathways for private sector engagement.



18 August 2026



5:30 PM – 8:30 PM



Makati Shangri-La Manila, Makati A & B



Register as early as now to secure your seat!

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Ready for Australia? Become a Partner for our 2026 Roadshow



2026 OUTBOUND MISSION



AUSTRALIA ROADSHOW

BRISBANE | PERTH | OCTOBER 26-30

Showcase Philippine excellence on Australia's business platform.

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Participation is *limited to 10 member organizations only.*
For inquiries, contact **Katie Ynzon** at:
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ROADSHOW AGENDA

BRISBANE DAY 1

October 26 (Monday)

Session 1 | 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Member B2B Executive Meetings

Session 2 | 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Australia Awards & Alumni
Networking Event

BRISBANE DAY 2

October 27 (Tuesday)

Session 3 | 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
ANZCHAM CEO Roundtable

PERTH DAY 1

October 28 (Wednesday)

Session 4 | 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM
ANZCHAM CEO Roundtable

Session 5 | 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
ANZCHAM Networking Event

PERTH DAY 2

October 29 (Thursday)

Session 6 | 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Member B2B Executive Meetings

2026 **MISSION PARTNERS:**



Watch the Australia Roadshow 2025 Highlights Here!

ANZCham is bringing its **2026 Australia Roadshow** to **Brisbane and Perth** this **October 26-30, 2026**, showcasing **Philippines** as **Australia's Strategic Partner** in Southeast Asia.

This outbound mission aims to strengthen cross-border business connections, showcase Philippine excellence on Australia's business stage, and create meaningful opportunities for member organizations operating across the Philippines and Australia.

The program will feature B2B executive meetings, CEO roundtables, and networking events designed to connect Philippine businesses with Australian leaders, stakeholders, and prospective partners across key industries.

Scan the QR code or click the link below to become a **partner** and **to learn more**.

① Please note: **Participation is limited to 10 member organizations only.**

✉ For inquiries, contact Katie Ynzon at: marketing@anzcham.com.

Become a Partner Now!

ANZCham 2026 Calendar: Save the Dates!

✨ 2025 was unforgettable, with record-breaking attendance, new partnerships, and conversations that brought our community closer than ever!

🚀 In 2026 the journey continues and you won't want to miss it.

Save the dates for our upcoming events, all designed to connect and inspire the **Australia, New Zealand, and Philippine business communities**.

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2026 CALENDAR			
JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
28 Australia Day Reception with Australian Embassy	* Waitangi Day Reception 10 MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETING: co-presented by Info Tech (5:30 PM - 8 PM)	03 ★ International Women's Day (IWD) Forum: Give to Gain. Principal Event Partner: Aristocrat Gaming 24 ★ 45th Annual General Meeting (AGM) (4:30 PM-10 PM)	21 MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETING: co-presented by TP in the Philippines: Deep Dive into the Gen-Z Workshift (5:30 PM - 8 PM)
MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
28 MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETING: co-presented by ANZ: From Uncertainty to Action: Navigating the Global Economic shift (5:30 PM - 8 PM) 22 Philippines-Australia Friendship Day Celebration	18 MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETING: co-presented by Coface: How are you operating your business forward in a VUCA World? (5:30 PM - 8 PM)	21 MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETING: One Click Away: How Close Most Businesses are to a Major Breakdown (5:30 PM - 8 PM) + NEW MEMBERS' NIGHT (5:15 PM - 6 PM)	18 MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Ready, Set, Bid!: Qualifying Your Business for Asian Development Bank Projects (5:30 PM - 8 PM)
SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
15 MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETING: Education (5:30 PM - 8 PM)	26-30 ★ Outbound Mission to Australia 13 MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETING: Sustainability (5:30 PM - 8 PM)	10 MONTHLY MEMBERS' MEETING: ASEAN NZ Business Mission (5:30 PM-8 PM) + NEW MEMBERS' NIGHT (5:15 PM - 6 PM)	01 ★ ANZCHAM Christmas Party

* Dates: to be confirmed ✨ Sustainability Initiatives ★ Signature/Special Events

💡 Want to be part of the program?

If your organisation would like an opportunity to **showcase your capabilities, share your values, and bring industry insights to our community**, we'd love to hear from you!

✉ Reach out to katie.ynzon@anzcham.com to express your interest in becoming a speaker at our 2026 events.

✨ There's never been a better time to connect, collaborate, and create impact with **ANZCham Philippines**.



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