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Annual BIDS Conference on Development 2022

Post-Covid Challenges in an Uncertain and Divisive World

Greetings from BIDS!

We cordially invite you to the **Annual BIDS Conference on Development (ABCD) 2022 on Post-Covid Challenges in an Uncertain and Divisive World**. It will be held in hybrid mode on **December 1-3, 2022** at the **Lakeshore Hotel**, House 46, Road 41, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212.

The ABCD Conference aims to engage the wider audience in charting the development agenda in the post-Covid period by bringing national and international scholars on a common platform through public lectures, academic presentations, book reviews, and panel discussions on the diverse socio-economic issues of Bangladesh. A total of 13 academic papers, 5 book discussions and 12 keynote speeches from home and abroad will be presented at the conference.

We sincerely expect your face-to-face engagement and participation in this unique and prestigious conference. You will also be able to join the conference via Zoom (**Zoom Meeting ID: 690 7132 0540, Password: 980952**). We count on your presence and kindly request you to save these dates in your calendar for this conference.

A program schedule of the conference is enclosed herewith for your kind information.

Thank you and best regards.

Binayak Sen
Director General

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Date : 1-3 December 2022

Venue : La Vita Hall, Lakeshore Hotel
Gulshan-2, Dhaka



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PROGRAM

Day 1: Thursday, December 1, 2022

09:00 am - 09:30 am	Registration and Tea
Inaugural Session	Macroeconomic Challenges in Post-Covid Bangladesh
09:30 am - 11:30 am	Opening Remarks <i>Binayak Sen, Director General, Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS)</i>
Keynote Speech 1	Macroeconomic Management in Post-Covid Uncertain Global Environment <i>Sadiq Ahmed, Vice Chairman, Policy Research Institute (PRI)</i>
Chief Guest	<i>M. A. Mannan, MP, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Planning, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh</i>
Special Guest	<i>Shamsul Alam, Hon'ble State Minister, Ministry of Planning, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh</i>
Guest of Honor	<i>Abdur Rouf Talukder, Governor, Bangladesh Bank</i>
11:30 am -11:45 am	Tea Break
Keynote Speech 2	Rethinking Socialism for Democratic Developing Countries
11:45 am - 1:00 pm	<i>Wahiduddin Mahmud, Chairman, Economic Research Group (ERG) & Former Professor of Economics, University of Dhaka</i>
Session Chair	<i>Rehman Sobhan, Chairman, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) & Former Director General, BIDS</i>
01:00 pm - 02:00 pm	Lunch
Keynote Speech 3	Debates, Dialogues and Decisions: A Historical Look at Policy Making in Bangladesh
02:00 pm - 03:00 pm	<i>Syed Akhtar Mahmood, Former Lead Economist, World Bank</i>
Session 1	Recent BIDS Works
03:00 pm - 04:30 pm	
Paper 1	Livelihood Dynamics in the Haor Region of Bangladesh <i>Mohammad Yunus, Senior Research Fellow, BIDS</i>
Paper 2	Micro Savings, Poverty Reduction and Economic Empowerment: Evidence from 'Amar Bari Amar Khamar' Project <i>S. M. Zulfiqar Ali, Senior Research Fellow, BIDS</i>
Paper 3	Who are the Skilled Workers in Small Firms? Evidence from Bangladesh <i>Kazi Iqbal, Senior Research Fellow, BIDS</i>
Q&A Session	
Session Chair	<i>Sajjad Zohir, Executive Director, Economic Research Group (ERG)</i>
04:30 pm - 04:40 pm	Tea Break
Session 2	Recent Books on Bangladesh Economy
04:40 pm - 07:30 pm	The Odds Revisited: Political Economy of the Development of Bangladesh <i>K.A.S. Murshid, Former Director General, BIDS</i> Bangladesh's Inclusive Development Journey: Past, Present and Future <i>Mustafa K Mujeri, Executive Director, Institute for Inclusive Finance and Development (InM) and Former Director General, BIDS</i>

	Economy of Bangladesh: Fifty Years of Economic Development <i>Quazi Shahabuddin, Former Director General, BIDS</i> <i>M. Mozammel Huq, Former Professor, Department of Economics, University of Strathclyde, UK</i>
Q&A Session Session Chair	<i>Salehuddin Ahmed, Former Governor, Bangladesh Bank</i>
Keynote Speech 4 07:45 pm - 08:45 pm	Mainstream Economics and Bangladesh's Development: Some Issues <i>Ahmad Ahsan, Director, Policy Research Institute (PRI)</i>
	Dinner

Day 2: Friday, December 2, 2022

09:00 am - 09:30 am	Registration and Tea
Keynote Speech 5 09:30 am - 10:30 am	Resilience in Low & Middle-Income Countries: Lessons from Covid-19 Pandemic <i>Ahmed Mushfiq Mobarak, Professor of Economics, Yale University, USA</i>
10:30 am -10:45 am	Tea Break
Session 3 10:45 am - 12:15 pm	Women's Work in South Asia
Distinguished Panelist 1	<i>Alaka Basu, Visiting Scholar and Former Professor, Department of Global Development, Cornell University, USA</i>
Distinguished Panelist 2	<i>Naila Kabeer, Professor, London School of Economics, UK</i>
Distinguished Panelist 3	<i>Sonalde Desai, Distinguished Professor, University of Maryland, USA</i>
Q&A Session Session Chair	<i>Sajeda Amin, Senior Associate, Population Council, New York</i>
Keynote Speech 6 12:15 pm - 01:15 pm	Transition in Japan's View of Bangladesh: How Two Middle Powers should Behave along Hegemons <i>Tatsufumi Yamagata, Professor, College of Asia Pacific Studies, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University & Director, Ritsumeikan Center for Asia Pacific Studies, Japan</i>
01:15 pm - 02:15 pm	Lunch
Keynote Speech 7 02:15 pm - 03:25 pm	Rethinking Dams <i>David Hulme, Professor of Development Studies & Executive Director of the Global Development Institute (GDI), University of Manchester, UK</i>
Keynote Speech 8 03:25 pm - 04:35 pm	Learning Loss During Covid-19 Pandemic <i>Asad Islam, Professor of Economics & Director, Centre for Development Economics and Sustainability (CDES), Monash University, Australia</i>
04:35 pm - 04:50 pm	Tea Break

Session 4	Challenging Mainstream Ideas
04:50 pm - 06:30 pm	
Paper 1	Disappearance of the Bengali Family Farm <i>Abdus Sattar Mandal, Professorial Fellow, BIDS & Former Vice-Chancellor, Bangladesh Agriculture University</i>
Paper 2	Governance as it is: Critiquing Normative Epistemology <i>Geoff Wood, Emeritus Professor of International Development, Department of Social & Policy Science, University of Bath, UK</i>
Q&A Session	
Session Chair	<i>Binayak Sen, Director General, BIDS</i>
Session 5	Informal Industries and Environmental Pollution: A Pathway to Inclusive Solutions
06:30 pm - 07:45 pm	
Paper 1	Transforming Brick Manufacturing to Promote Clean Air and Better Health in Bangladesh <i>Moogdho Mahzab, Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment, Stanford University, USA</i>
Paper 2	Governance and Business Model Innovations that Can Reduce Pollution from Lead Acid Batteries in Bangladesh <i>Erica Plambeck, Professor, Graduate School of Business, Stanford University, USA</i> <i>Amrita Kundu, Assistant Professor, Operations and Information Management, Georgetown University, USA</i>
Q&A Session	
Session Chair	<i>A. K. Enamul Haque, Dean, Faculty of Business and Economics, East West University, Dhaka</i>
07:45 pm	Dinner
Day 3: Saturday, December 3, 2022	
08:30 am - 09:00 am	Registration and Tea
Keynote Speech 9	Escaping the Family Shadow: Intergenerational Mobility in Developing Countries
09:00 am - 10:00 am	<i>Shahe Emran, Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University, USA</i>
Session 6	Growth, Employment & Poverty
10:00 am - 11:45 am	
Paper 1	Adjusting Bangladesh's Growth Model to Sustain Progress <i>Nora Dihel, Senior Economist, World Bank</i>
Paper 2	Import Tariff and Gender Difference in Employment <i>Gayatri Koolwal, Consultant, World Bank</i>
Paper 3	Present and Future Climate Risk Across Bangladesh: Integrated Findings on Hazard Exposures & Poverty Vulnerability <i>Lander Bosch, Geographer, World Bank</i>
Q&A Session	
Session Chair	Hossain Zillur Rahman, Executive Chairman, Power and Participation Research Centre (PPRC)

11:45 am - 12:00 pm	Tea Break
Keynote Speech 10	The Idea of Political Settlement
12:00 pm - 01:00 pm	<i>Mushtaq Khan, Professor of Economics, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, UK</i>
01:00 pm - 01:45 pm	Lunch
Keynote Speech 11	Human Capital and Gender Inequality in Middle-Income Countries
01:45 pm - 02:45 pm	<i>Dileni Gunewardena, Professor of Economics, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka</i>
Session 7	Promoting Covid-19 Vaccine Take-up in Developing Countries
02:45 pm - 04:15 pm	
Paper 1	Identifying the Most Cost-Effective Way to Large Scale Covid-19 Vaccination in Rural Bangladesh <i>Diwakar Mohan, Johns Hopkins University, USA</i>
Paper 2	The Role of Information and Incentives on Covid-19 Vaccination in India <i>Debayan Pakrashi, IIT Kanpur, India</i>
Paper 3	Promoting Covid-19 Vaccination Take-up at the Last Mile: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial in Rural Indonesia <i>Armand Sim, Monash University, Australia</i>
Q&A Session	
Session Chair	<i>Shafiun N. Shimul, Institute of Health Economics, University of Dhaka</i>
04:15 pm - 08:00 pm (With Tea)	Expert Panel on Economic Policy: Addressing Post-Covid Challenges
Chief Guest	<i>Mashiur Rahman, Economic Affairs Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh</i>
Special Guest	<i>Tawfiq-e-Elahi Chowdhury, BB, Energy, Power and Mineral Resources Affairs Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh</i>
Special Guest	<i>Salman F. Rahman, Private Industry and Investment Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh</i>
Guest of Honor	<i>Ahmad Kaikaus, Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh</i>
Moderator	<i>Binayak Sen, Director General, BIDS</i>
Distinguished Panelists	<i>Atiur Rahman, Bangabandhu Chair Professor, Department of History, University of Dhaka & Former Governor, Bangladesh Bank</i> <i>Tapan Kanti Ghosh, Senior Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh</i> <i>Mamun Al Rashid, Secretary, Planning Division, Ministry of Planning, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh</i> <i>Sharifu Khan, Secretary, Economic Relations Division (ERD), Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh</i>

Md. Jashim Uddin, President, Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce & Industries (FBCCI)

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Syed Mainul Ahsan, Visiting Fellow, BIDS & Professor Emeritus, Concordia University, Canada

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Mustafizur Rahman, Distinguished Fellow, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD)

Imran Matin, Executive Director, BRAC Institute of Governance & Development (BIGD)

Keynote Speech 12 Global Inequality

08:00 pm - 09:00 pm

Branko Milanovic, Senior Scholar, City University of New York

Vote of Thanks

Dinner



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