



Bangladesh Development Conference 2023 at University of Massachusetts, Boston, USA

Date: 06 October 2023 | 8 am - 6 pm

Private Universities in Bangladesh – Challenges, Opportunities and Stakeholder Engagement

Program

Friday, October 6th, 2023

8:00 am	Registration and Breakfast
8:30 am – 9:00 am	Opening and Introduction Nurul Aman, PhD –University of Massachusetts Boston Iqbal Yousuf –International Sustainable Development Institute Mashiur Rahman, PhD - Govt. of Bangladesh Abu Taher, PhD - University Grants Commission
9:00 am – 10:00 am	State of Private Universities in Bangladesh <i>(Keynote)</i> M A Karim, PhD – University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Abu Taher, PhD - University Grants Commission Ishtiaque Abedin – American International University Bangladesh C M Shafi Sami - University of Asia Pacific <i>(Moderator)</i> Sandra Rahman, PhD – Framingham State University
10:00 am – 10:45 am	Quality Assurance in Higher Education Carol Anderson, PhD - NECHE Abdullah Shibli, PhD –International Sustainable Development Institute M. Zubaidur Rahman, PhD - ZNRF University of Management Sciences <i>(Moderator)</i> Gerardo L. Blanco EDD - Boston College
10:45 am – 11:05 am	<i>Innovative ways to engage industry partners</i> Laura Engel, EdD - Northeastern University
11:05 am – 11:15 am	Coffee Break
11:15 am – 11:55 am	Role of Technology in Shaping the Future of Higher Education <i>(Keynote)</i> Anant Agarwal, PhD - edX and Massachusetts Institute of Technology Badrul H. Khan, PhD - McWendon Education <i>(Moderator)</i> Jahangir Sultan, PhD - Bentley University
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	<i>Unlocking the future of Private Universities in Bangladesh</i> <i>(Keynote)</i> Junaid Kamal Ahmad, PhD - North South University
12:45 pm – 1:15 pm	Lunch



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- 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm **Global Engagements – Opportunities for Private Universities in Bangladesh**
Wing-kai To, PhD – Bridgewater State University
Susannah Gal, PhD - Wentworth Institute of Technology
H M Jahirul Haque, PhD - Canadian University of Bangladesh
(Moderator) Masud H Chowdhury, PhD - University of Missouri-Kansas City
- 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm **Coffee Break**
- 2:45 pm – 3:30 pm **Industry Relations and Experiential Learning**
Faisal M Rahman, PhD - Saint Xavier University
Quamrul Mazumder, PhD - University of Michigan-Flint
(Moderator) Jahangir Sultan, PhD - Bentley University
- 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm **Sustainability and Research collaboration**
Badrul H. Khan, PhD - McWendon Education
Fuad H. Mallick, PhD - BRAC University
Qazi Azizul Mowla, PhD - Leading University
Farid Sobhani, PhD - United International University
(Moderator) Iqbal Yousuf – International Sustainable Development Institute
- 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm **Conference Summary and Closing**
Mashiur Rahman, PhD - Govt. of Bangladesh
Abu Taher, PhD - University Grants Commission
Najmul Huda – Govt. of Bangladesh
Abu Abdullah, PhD - International Sustainable Development Institute
Iqbal Yousuf – International Sustainable Development Institute