

10th Women's Affairs Ministerial Meeting Partners' Forum (10WPF)

15 -17 June 2013, BCDM, Savar, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Women's Leadership for Enterprise

DAY ONE - 15 JUNE 2013	
Time	
07:00 - 08:00	Breakfast: Dining Room
08:00 - 09:00	Registration: Main Lobby
09:00 - 10:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Opening Ceremony</p> <p>Mr. Mushtaque Chowdhury, Vice Chairperson, BRAC Governing Body Sir Anand Satyanand, Chair, Commonwealth Foundation Dr. Selina Hayat Ivy, Mayor, Narayangonj City Corporation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Key Note Speaker</p> <p>Ms. Salma Khan, Chairperson, NGO Coalition for Beijing Platform for Action and former Chairperson, UN Convention to End All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) Committee</p> <p>Room: Plenary hall, 4th floor</p> <p>Guests takes seats from 08:30</p>
10:30 - 11:00	Refreshment Break: Open dock (pond side)
11:00-12:30	Theme 1: Building an enabling environment to support women's enterprise
	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 1: How can we increase women's access to finance?</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Sabrina Islam, President, Women Entrepreneurs' Association (WEA) Bangladesh</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <p>Mr. Mahmoodun Nabi Chowdhury, Head of Corporate Banking, BRAC Bank Ms. Patti O'Neill, Co-ordinator, DAC Network on Gender Equality, Global Policies and Partnership Division, OECD Professor Rosalea Hamilton, Scotiabank Chair, Entrepreneurship & Development, University of Technology, Jamaica</p> <p>Room: Plenary hall, 4th floor</p>
12:30 - 14:00	<p style="text-align: center;">Lunch: Dining room</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Before or after lunch please feel free to wonder through the trade fair located on 2nd floor</i></p>

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14:00 – 15:30	<p>Session 2: Has micro-finance had a positive impact on women's entrepreneurial development?</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Myn Garcia, Deputy Director, Commonwealth Foundation</p> <p>Speakers: Professor Syed M Hashemi, Director, BRAC Development Institute, BRAC University Dr. Anis Chowdhury, Director, Macroeconomic Policy and Development Division (MPDD), United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP) Ms. Mele T.'Amanaki, Secretary General, Public Service Association, Tonga</p> <p>Room: Class room 1, 1st floor</p>	<p>Session 3: How do we build successful partnerships between governments, private sector and civil society to advance women's empowerment?</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Sheepa Hafiza, Director, Gender Justice & Diversity and Migration Programme, BRAC</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Selima Ahmad, Founder President of Bangladesh Women's Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BWCCI) Ms. Nana Asantewa Afadzinu, Executive Director, West Africa Civil Society Institute (WACSI) Professor Maggie Kigozi, Director, Crown Beverages Ltd.</p> <p>Room: Class room 2, 1st floor</p>	<p>Session 4: Developing the entrepreneurship of women with disabilities: focusing on ability, not disability</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Luna Shamsuddoha, Chairman, Dohatech</p> <p>Speakers: Mosharraf Hossain, Country Director, ADD International Yasmin Ahmed, Executive Director, Nova Consultancy Bangladesh Tasnim Siddiq, Deputy Program Manager, DFID Bangladesh Kurhda Akhtar, Grassroots Women Entrepreneur with Disabilities Ferdous Ara Lucky, Grassroots Women Entrepreneur with Disabilities</p> <p>Room: Class room 3, 1st floor</p> <p>This session is sponsored by Action on Disability and Development (ADD Bangladesh)</p>
15:30 - 16:00	<p align="center">Refreshment Break: 2nd Floor veranda <i>Feel free to wander through the trade fair located on 2nd floor</i></p>		
16:00 - 17:30	<p>Session 5: How can we overcome violence against women and other social barriers to women's economic empowerment?</p> <p>Chair: Mosharraf Hossain, Country Director, ADD International</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Sadaf Saaz Siddiqui, Naripokkho Ms. Chibundu Onuzo, Nigerian writer, author 'The Spider King's Daughter' Ms. Christine Hunter, Country Programme Director, UN Women Bangladesh Mrs. Ume Wainetti, National Programme Director, Family and Sexual Violence Action Committee, Papua New Guinea</p> <p>Room: Plenary hall, 4th floor</p>		
19:00 - 20:00	<p align="center">Dinner: Dining room</p>		
20:00	<p align="center">Screening of Bollywood movie 'English Vinglish' (2012)</p> <p>Directed by Gauri Shinde, Starring Sridevi, Adil Hussain and Mehdi Nebbou</p> <p>Room: Class room 3, 1st floor</p>	<p align="center">Partners' Statement drafting session 1</p> <p>The Partners' Statement will be presented to Senior Officials on 17 June. The Statement will include key recommendations for Ministers attending 10WAMM. 10WPF participants are welcome to join the drafting team and contribute to the drafting of the Partners' Statement.</p> <p>Room: Class room 1, 1st floor</p>	

DAY TWO - 16 JUNE 2013			
Time			
07:00 – 08:00	Breakfast: Dining room		
09:00-10:30	Theme 2: International frameworks and women's leadership in enterprise		
	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 6: Should women's economic empowerment be a central theme of the post-2015 agenda?</p> <p>Chair: Sir Anand Satyanand, Chair, Commonwealth Foundation</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Freda Miriklis, President, International Federation of Business and Professional Women Ms. Anoka Primrose Abeyrathne, Social Entrepreneur, recipient Commonwealth Youth Award, March 2013; named one of the 25 Most Influential and Powerful Young Persons of the World 2012 by Youth Service America Ms. Patti O'Neill, Co-ordinator, DAC Network on Gender Equality, Global Policies and Partnership Division, OECD Ms. Sheepa Hafiza, Director, Gender Justice & Diversity and Migration Programme, BRAC</p> <p>Room: Plenary hall, 4th floor</p>		
10:30 - 11:00	Refreshment Break: 2nd Floor veranda <i>Feel free to wonder through the trade fair located on 2nd floor</i>		
11:00 – 12:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 7: How can we increase women's share of global trade?</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Dhanvanthi Mohanlal, President- AWAKE (Association of Women Entrepreneurs of Karnataka)</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Rokeya Kabir, Founder and Executive Director of Bangladesh Nari Progati Sangha (BNPS) Mrs. Ana Kessie, former Pacific Islands Secretariat Representative to the WTO Shaheena Janjuha - Jivraj, British Association of Women Entrepreneurs</p> <p>Room: Class room 1, 1st floor</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 8: How can the Commonwealth lead on women's enterprise?</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Marren Akatsa-Bukachi, Commonwealth Women's Network</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Meena Shivdas, Acting Head, Gender Section, Social Transformations Programme Division, Commonwealth Secretariat Mr. Arif Zaman, Adviser, Commonwealth Business Council; Chair of Commonwealth Businesswomen Network (CBWN) Ms. Myn Garcia, Deputy Director, Commonwealth Foundation Ms. Rukiyah Khatun, Commonwealth Building Bridges Fellow; Future 100 Award Winner</p> <p>Room: Class room 2, 1st floor</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 9: Owning Your Ideas And Creation</p> <p>This interactive workshop will focus on how leading women entrepreneurs can build their innovation and prosperity with intellectual property rights.</p> <p>Workshop Session by Dr. Bola Olabisi Founder and CEO, Global Women inventors and Innovators (GWIIN) and Director, Women in Entrepreneurship, Infrastructure and Sustainable Energy Development (WEISED)</p> <p>Room: Class room 3, 1st floor</p>
	12:30 - 14:00	Lunch: Dining room <i>Before or after lunch please feel free to wonder through the trade fair located on 2nd floor</i>	

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Theme 3: Scaling up women in enterprise	
14:00-15:30	<p>Session 10: Reaping what we sow: highlighting women's rural entrepreneurship</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Aaisa Khan, Executive Member, Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Women Entrepreneur Development and Resource Centre</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Gia Gaspard Taylor, President, Network of Rural Women Producers Trinidad and Tobago Ms. Farzana Khan, Deputy General Manager & Head of Women Entrepreneurship Development; SME Foundation, Bangladesh Ms. Pauline Ngari, Chief Executive Officer, Hand in Hand East Africa</p> <p>Room: Class room 1, 1st floor</p>
	<p>Session 11: Emerging Trends in Enterprise: what are they and how can they help women? Focusing on: social media, sustainability and cooperatives</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Neha Singh, Founder & Managing Editor, fab Women in Business Ltd.</p> <p>Speakers: Mr. Anir Chowdhury, Policy Advisor, a2i Programme, Prime Minister's Office, Bangladesh Ms. Barbara Kasumu, British Council Global Change Maker, co-founder of Elevation Networks, 09 UK Young Activist of the Year, Associate of the National Youth Agency (NYA) Ms. Shoba Nayar, Regional Managerial Consultant, South Asia, Fairtrade International</p> <p>Room: Class room 2, 1st floor</p>
15:30 - 16:00	<p>Refreshment Break: 2nd Floor veranda</p> <p><i>Feel free to wander through the trade fair located on 2nd floor</i></p>
16:00 – 16:45	<p style="text-align: center;">Partners' Statement drafting session 2</p> <p>The Partners' Statement will be presented to Senior Officials on 17 June. The Statement will include key recommendations for Ministers attending 10WAMM. Following on from yesterday's session, all 10WPF participants are welcome to join the drafting team and contribute to the drafting of the Partners' Statement.</p> <p>Room: Class room 3, 1st floor</p>
17:00 - 18:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 12: Special Interactive Forum with Policymakers</p> <p>Host: Dr. Mahabub Hossain, Executive Director, BRAC</p> <p>Guest of Honour: Hon. Meher Afroze Chumki, State Minister for Women and Children Affairs, Government of Bangladesh.</p> <p>With: Ms. Patti O'Neill, Co-ordinator, DAC Network on Gender Equality, Global Policies and Partnership Division, OECD Dr. Anis Chowdhury, Director, Macroeconomic Policy and Development Division (MPDD), United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP)</p> <p>Room: Plenary hall, 4th floor</p>
19:00 - 21:00	<p>Knowing Bangladesh</p> <p><i>Cultural night and Dinner on the open deck (pond side)</i></p>

DAY THREE - 17 JUNE 2013	
Time	
07:00 - 08:00	Breakfast: Dining room
09:00 - 10:00	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 13: Plenary Session: Finalising the 10WPF Partners' Statement and next steps</p> <p>Chair: Sir Anand Satyanand, Chair, Commonwealth Foundation</p> <p>Room: Plenary hall, 4th floor</p>
10:00 - 10:30	Refreshment Break: 2 nd Floor veranda
10:30 - 12:00	<p style="text-align: center;">Session 14 : Spotlight on Bangladeshi women in enterprise</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Naheed Nawazesh, Associate Professor, Business Faculty, University of Dhaka</p> <p>Guests: Ms. Rokia Afzal Rahman, Pioneer woman entrepreneur in Bangladesh; BRAC Governing Body Ms. Parveen Mahmud, ex-President of Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB) Ms. Tamara H. Abed, Senior Director, BRAC Enterprises</p> <p>Room: Plenary hall, 4th floor</p>
12:00 - 12:45	Lunch: Dining room
13:00	<p style="text-align: center;">Depart to 10WAMM Opening Ceremony (BICC)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please be ready to leave at 12:50.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE YOUR 10WAMM INVITATION WITH YOU BEFORE YOU BOARD THE BUS</p>
15:45 – 17:30	<p style="text-align: center;">10WAMM Opening Ceremony (all 10WPF delegates welcome with invitation)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Venue: Banghabandu International Conference Centre (BICC)</p> <p>Welcome Address: Hon Meher Afroze Chumki, State Minister for Women and Children Affairs, Government of Bangladesh</p> <p>Remarks: H E Kamalesh Sharma, Commonwealth Secretary-General Hon Dr Dipu Moni, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Government Bangladesh Hon Dr Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury, Speaker, Bangladesh National Parliament</p> <p>Opening Address: Hon'ble Prime Minister of Bangladesh Sheikh Hasina</p>
19:00 – 21:00	<p style="text-align: center;">Opening Reception (all 10WPF delegates invited)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Venue: Ruposhi Bangla Hotel</p>
21:00	Return to BRAC Centre for Development Management

