



ASIA PACIFIC

Global Development Learning Network Asia Pacific (GDLN AP)

**Regional Meeting
Dhaka, Bangladesh**

**Agenda
January 8-11, 2013**

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Monday - January 7, 2013		Arrival and Welcome Reception	
Welcome pack available at Pan Pacific Hotel upon check in.			
7:00 - 9:30 pm	Welcome Reception: GDLN Asia Pacific members Hosted by: World Bank		Pan Pacific Hotel, Meghna Room
Tuesday - January 8, 2013		Day 1	
Transportation to James P. Grant School of Public Health, icddr,b leaves Pan Pacific Hotel Sonargoan at 08:00 am			
Objectives:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To welcome guests and participants. - To welcome BRAC University as a member to Bangladesh's National Research and Education Network. - To update the GDLN Asia Pacific membership on the implementation status of the regional programs presented in Shanghai and for members to present new programs. 			
Time	Session	Speakers	Location
9:00 - 9:30 am	Registration		Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6 BRAC University
9:30 - 10:15 am	Opening Session Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury Registrar, BRACU <i>Chair: Prof Ainun Nishat,</i> Vice Chancellor, BRAC University	<i>Mr. Philip Karp</i> GDLN Coordinator, EAP World Bank <i>Ms. Ellen Goldstein</i> World Bank Country Director for Bangladesh <i>Prof Dr. A K Azad</i> <i>Chowdhury</i> Chairman (State Minister) University Grants Commission of Bangladesh	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
10:15-10:30 am	Signing Ceremony – BRACU joining BdREN <i>Chair: Prof. Ainun Nishat</i> Vice Chancellor, BRAC University	<i>Signatories:</i> <i>Prof. Dr. Akhtar Hossain</i> Member, UGC Mr. Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury, Registrar, BRACU	
10:30-10:40 am	Group Photo with chief guest		
10:40-11:00 am	Tea Break		
11:00-12:00 pm	Bangladesh Research and Education Network (BdREN) – Present Status and future Plans	<i>Prof. Dr. Akhtar Hossain</i> Member, UGC Bangladesh	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
12:00 -1:00 pm	Lunch		

1:00-2:15 pm	GDLN Secretariat Updates -Update from GDLN Global Secretariat -Update from GDLN AP Secretariat <i>Chair: Mr. Tomo Naito</i> Tokyo Development Learning Center (TDLC)	<i>Mr. Laurent Porte</i> GDLN Global Secretariat World Bank Institute <i>Mr. Chanuka Wattagama</i> GDLN Asia Pacific Secretariat Sri Lanka Distance Learning Center, Ltd.	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
2:15 -2:30 pm	Tea Break		
2:30 - 4:00 pm	GDLN Asia Pacific Regional Program Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on progress from Regional programs agreed at previous meetings <i>Chair: Mr. Chanuka Wattagama</i> GDLN Asia Pacific Secretariat Sri Lanka Distance Learning Center, Ltd.	Representatives from EAP and SA DLCs	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
4:00 - 5:00 pm	GDLN New Programs Marketplace <i>Chair: Mr. Chanuka Wattagama</i> GDLN Asia Pacific Secretariat Sri Lanka Distance Learning Center, Ltd.	Representatives from EAP and SA DLCs	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
Transportation to Aarong Handicraft Shop leaves J. P. Grant School of Public Health, icddr,b at 05:15 pm			
5:30 - 6:30 pm	Visit Aarong Handicraft Shop		
6:30 pm	Cultural Event and Dinner hosted by BRAC University		BRAC Center Inn

Wednesday - January 9, 2013		Day 2	
Transportation to James P. Grant School of Public Health, icddr,b leaves Pan Pacific Hotel Sonargoan at 08:00 am			
Objective: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To discuss issues related to the implementation of the new Affiliation Strategy. - To review guidelines for assuring quality of GDLN AP learning programs. - To look at the future of GDLN in the context of a new development landscape with an eye on what can each affiliate do to position itself as a key player in its own country and regional context. 			
Time	Session	Speakers	Location
9:00 - 10:30 am	South-South Exchange on Public Health <i>Chair: TBD</i>	<i>Prof. Malabika Sarker,</i> <i>Professor Sabina F. Rashid,</i> JPG School of Public Health and speakers from the Asia Network for Capacity Building in Health System Strengthening (ANHSS) Bangladesh, Thailand, Philippines (<i>TBC</i>).	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
10:30-10:45 am	Tea Break		

10:45-12:15 pm	Program Quality Assurance <i>Chair: Ms. Linh Nguyen</i> Manager, Vietnam Development Information Center	<i>Panel+ Breakout group discussion</i>	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
12:15 - 1:15 pm	Lunch		
1:15 - 2:30 pm	GDLN Affiliation Strategy Discussion <i>Chair: Mr. Juan Blazquez</i> GDLN Regional Coordinator, South Asia	<i>Mr. Vinod Bhargava</i> GDLN Global Board Representative, South Asia <i>Ms. Maree Tait.</i> GDLN Global Board Representative, EAP <i>Mr. Laurent Porte</i> GDLN Global Secretariat World Bank Institute	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
2:30 - 2:45 pm	Afternoon break		
2:45 - 4:30 pm	GDLN Affiliation Strategy Discussion (continued) <i>Chair: Mr. Juan Blazquez</i> GDLN Regional Coordinator South Asia		Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
4:30-5:30 pm	Role of GDLN in the New Development Landscape How can GDLN take advantage of an environment where new players are involved in international development and where South-South cooperation is a significant mechanism to build capacity and share development solutions? Implications for GDLN of the World Bank's new Knowledge agenda and future of the relationship with GDLN <i>Chair: Mr. Philip Karp</i> Regional Coordinator, GDLN East Asia	Moderated group discussion	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
6:00 – 8:00 pm	Free Night with guided shopping option		
Transportation to Pan Pacific Hotel Sonargoan leaves Bashundhara City Mall at 08:30 pm			
Thursday - January 10, 2013 Day 3			
Transportation to James P. Grant School of Public Health, icddr,b leaves Pan Pacific Hotel Sonargoan at 08:00 am			
Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To learn about BRAC's work in areas relevant to GDLN. - To learn about how to successfully design a Knowledge Exchange. 			
Time	Session	Speakers	Location
9:00 -11:15 am	BRAC Showcase "E-learning showcase, microfinance, etc." <i>Chair: Dr. H.K. Chung</i>	<i>Dr. Mahabub Hossain</i> Executive Director, BRAC <i>Mr. Asif Saleh</i> Senior Director, BRAC	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6

	GDLN Coordinator KDI School	<p>Strategy, Communication & Capacity</p> <p><i>Faruque Ahmed</i> Senior Director, BRAC International Programmes</p> <p><i>Mr. Shafiqul Islam</i> Director, BRAC Education</p> <p><i>Rabeya Yasmin</i> Director, Challenging the Frontiers of Poverty Reduction – Targeting the Ultra Poor</p> <p><i>Faustina Pereira</i> Director, Human Rights and Legal Aid Services</p> <p>Taifur Rahman Chowdhury Associate Director ICT, BRAC</p>	
11:15 -11:30 am	Tea Break		
11:30-12:00 pm	Closing	<p><i>Mr. Ishfaq Choudhury</i> Registrar BRAC University</p> <p><i>Mr. Juan Blazquez</i> World Bank Regional GDLN Coordinator, South Asia</p> <p><i>Mr. Philip Karp</i> World Bank Regional GDLN Coordinator, East Asia and Pacific</p>	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
12:30 -1:30 pm	Lunch		Organized by BRACU
1:30 - 5:00 pm	<p>Workshop: The Art of Knowledge Exchange</p> <p>Based on the planning guide The Art of Knowledge Exchange, the workshop focuses on the tools participant will need to design their Knowledge Exchange. Participants will learn how to identify the right instruments and how to use them to get the results they want from their knowledge exchange. Participants will also be introduced to the Bridge Model for knowledge exchange which you can easily master and apply to achieve measurable results from their knowledge exchange.</p> <p>Objectives In this three-hour, interactive session, participants will: Learn how to use the Bridge Model with five simple steps for a successful knowledge exchange. Learn to use seven instruments and ten activities that contribute to a successful knowledge exchange</p>	<p><i>Ms. Shobha Kumar</i> Senior Learning Specialist, The World Bank Institute</p>	Video Conference Room, James P. Grant School of Public Health, Level-6
6:00-8:30 pm	Dinner hosted by World Bank		Army Golf Club



Friday – January 11, 2013		Day 4	
Time			Location
8:00 – 5:00 pm	Field Visit		Field study visit to the countryside, organized by BRAC University