



33rd CACCI Conference

26-27 November 2019, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Theme: “Asia: At the Centre of a New World Order”

Proposed Program

As of November 22, 2019

November 25, 2019 (Monday)

- 08:00 a.m. - 05:00 p.m. Registration (*Venue: Jamuna Room, Ground Floor*)
- 04:00 p.m. - 05:00 p.m. Press Conference (*Venue: Padma Room, 1st Floor*)
- 06:00 p.m. Welcome Cocktails (*Venue: Poolside/Oasis Room, Ground Floor*)

November 26, 2019 (Tuesday)

- 08:00 a.m. - 05:00 p.m. Registration (*Venue: Jamuna Room, Ground Floor*)
- 08.30 a.m. - 09.30 a.m. - Arrival of Invitees and delegates
- 09.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. **Opening Ceremony** (*Venue: Ballroom I, II, III, Ground Floor*)
- Welcome address by **Sheikh F Fahim**, President, FBCCI
 - Welcome address by **Mr. Samir Modi**, President, CACCI
 - Special Address by Chief Guest

- 10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Coffee break** (*Venue: Ballroom Foyer/Padma Foyer*)

- 10:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. **Discover Business Opportunities Through CACCI**
(*Venue: Ballroom I, II, III, Ground Floor*)

This session will feature: (a) country presentations by selected member Chambers on current economic conditions in their respective countries and opportunities for trade and investments, or on special programs, projects, products or services that have benefited their members or the community they serve and may be adapted by Chambers from other countries; and (b) invited CEOs of companies or successful entrepreneurs from various CACCI member countries who will share their success stories; the challenges they faced and how they overcame them; and/or their innovative business models.

Invited Presenters (To be confirmed):

- **Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry**
Presenter: **Mr. Salman Fazlur Rahman**, M.P., Private Industry & Investment Advisor to the Hon’ble Prime Minister, Government of Bangladesh
- **Moscow Chamber of Commerce and Industry**
Presenter: **Mr. Artem Dalevich**, Vice President, Moscow CCI

- **Department of Trade and Industry, Republic of the Philippines**
Presenter: Atty. Bobby Fondevilla, Director, DTI-BOI Investments Assistance Service, Department of Trade and Industry, Republic of the Philippines
- **Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey (TOBB)**
Presenter: Mr Ayhan Zeytinoglu, Vice President of TOBB
- **Chamber of Commerce Northern Territory**
Presenter: **Mr. Brian O’Gallagher**, Deputy CEO, Chamber of Commerce Northern Territory

Invited session chairman/moderator:

- **Sheikh F Fahim**, President, FBCCI and Vice President, CACCI

12:45 p.m. – 01:45 p.m.

Lunch (Venue: Ballroom Foyer/Padma/Ciao Room)

01:45 p.m. – 03.15 p.m.

Plenary Session 1: Asia Pacific in a Changing Global Order: The Next Decade

(Venue: Ballroom I, II, III, Ground Floor)

The global order is shifting with the impact of Brexit changing the landscape of Europe, implications from the slowdown in China, the policy uncertainty through the Trump-led administration, and the raising of interest rate by the US Federal Reserve, among others. This session will address issues from an international and strategic perspective, including: What are some of the other global trends that will shape the global order? How will the Asia Pacific respond towards these trends? What are some of the trade policies and alliances the region should pursue?

Invited Speakers

- **Dr. A.K. Abdul Momen**, M. P. Hon’ble Foreign Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Bangladesh
- **Mr. Muhammed Aziz Khan**, Chairman, Summit Group
- **Mr. Dilip Chenoy**, Secretary General, Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)
- **Mr. Max Lobachev**, General Manager, Japan Tobacco Bangladesh
- **Ms. Mari Pangestu**, Professor of International Economics, University of Indonesia and Former Minister of Trade and Former Minister of Tourism and Creative Economy, Government of Indonesia *(To be confirmed)*

Invited Session Chairman/Moderator

- **Dr. Pedram Soltani**, First Vice President, Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries, Mines and Agriculture, and Vice President, CACCI

03:15 p.m. – 04.45 p.m.

Plenary Session 2: Technologies Transforming Economies

(Venue: Ballroom I, II, III, Ground Floor)

The technology trends for 2019 are dominated by areas such as AI, Industry 4.0 and the Role of 5G, amongst others. This session will explore emerging technologies that could have an impact on industries in the region.

Invited Speakers

- **Mr. Zunaid Ahmed Palak**, MP, Honorable State Minister, Minister of State for Information and Communication Technology Division, Government of Bangladesh
- **Mr. Mustafa Jabbar**, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications and Information Technology, Government of Bangladesh
- **Dr. Lin Chun-hsu**, Research Fellow and Deputy Director, Center for Green Economy, Chung-Hua Institution for Economic Research
- **Mr. Hiroshi Matsumura**, Vice President & Managing Director, Center for International Economic Collaboration (CIEC), related body of Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI).
(Topic: Sharing the Benefits of Digital Economy: The Role of DFFT and Osaka Track“
- *Digital economy is now an important driver of social development and the rule making on data flow is indispensable. Japan is advocating a system of Data Free Flow with Trust (DFFT), an approach that attempts to allow the free flow of data under rules upon which all can rely. The process is called the “Osaka Track” launched at the G20 Summit in June. The speaker will examine the important role of DFFT and “Osaka Track” in setting international rules on data flow to make the digital economy’s benefit to spread to people in Asia and around the world.*
- **Mir Nasir Hossain**, Former President, FBCCI; Managing Director, Mir Telecom Ltd. And Mir Ceramic Ltd.
- **Mr. Ahamed AD**, CEO Hungrynaki.com

Invited Session Chairman/Moderator

- **Mr. Peter McMullin**, Board Member, ICC Australia and Vice President, CACCI

04.45 p.m. – 05:00 p.m.

Coffee Break *(Venue: Ballroom Foyer)*

05:00 p.m. – 06.30 p.m.

Plenary Session 3: In Pursuit of Equitable and Sustainable Growth

(Venue: Ballroom I, II, III, Ground Floor)

Despite having made considerable progress towards the SDGs, countries in the Asia Pacific are not expected to meet these goals by 2030. With the region now home to half the world’s middle class while poverty has decreased significantly, inequality within the region is at an all-time high. both within countries as well as between countries. Furthermore,

renewable energy growth has been outpaced by growth in energy demand and fossil fuel use. There is also a need to take measures in the coming years to address the rapidly ageing population as well as improve regional migration in a bid for increased development.

Invited Speakers

- **Mr. Abul Kalam Azad**, Principal Coordinator for SDG Affairs to the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Government of Bangladesh
- **Dr. Pai-Po Lee**, Deputy Secretary-General, International Cooperation Development Fund of Taiwan (TaiwanICDF)
- **Mr. Ragnar Gudmundsson**, Resident Representative in Bangladesh, International Monetary Fund
- **Dr. Pedram Soltani**, First Vice President, Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries, Mines and Agriculture, and Vice President, CACCI
- **Mr. Ashish Goupal**, Managing Director, Marico Bangladesh Ltd.

Invited Session Chairman/Moderator

- **Mr. Pradeep Kumar Shrestha**, CACCI Vice President, Former President, FNCCI

07.30 p.m.

Welcome Reception (Venue: Ballroom I, II, III, Ground Floor)

November 27, 2019 (Wednesday)

09:30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.

Plenary Session 4: Building an Enabling Environment for Inclusive Digital Transformation in the Asia-Pacific
(Organized by The Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE)
(Venue: Ballroom I, II, Ground Floor)

The digital economy, including cross-border services, digital trade, and electronic commerce (e-commerce), contributes to democratic and economic development by expanding market access for local businesses, promoting inclusive trade, creating jobs, and expanding tax revenue for governments to provide essential services. As the scope of digital innovation expands around the globe, so must national and regional policies that facilitate business growth and competitiveness.

Speakers will share their perspectives on how to engage entrepreneurs/businesses and other stakeholders regarding digitalization and how to encourage chambers/associations to play an active role in achieving this objective. Potential question areas of discussion include: (a) Regional eCommerce and eTrade regulations; (b) E-payment solutions; (c) Data flows and data privacy; and (d) Policies for workforce readiness in ICTs/ 4th Industrial Revolution

Invited Speaker/s:

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- **Mr. Syed Mohammad Kamal**, Country Manager, Mastercard – Bangladesh
- **Mr. Mangesh Lal Shrestha**, Global Vice President of Growth, Frost & Sullivan and Former President, Nepalese Young Entrepreneurs Forum
- **Mr. Ratul Ghosh**, Head, East India and Bangladesh Uber
- **Mr. Aref R. Bashir**, Managing Director, DMoney

Invited Session Chairman/Moderator

- **Ms. Subhashini Abeysinghe**, Director of Research, Trade Facilitation and Trade Policy, Verité Research, Sri Lanka

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Coffee Break (Venue: Ballroom Foyer/Padma Foyer)

11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Parallel Breakout Sessions: Group One

Breakout Session I - Promoting Entrepreneurship

(Venue: Surma Room, 1st Floor)

Invited speakers

- **Mr. Mangesh Lal Shrestha**, Global Vice President of Growth, Frost & Sullivan, and Former President, Nepalese Young Entrepreneurs Forum
- **Monica Singh (Diana)**, Managing Director & Founder, G.M.L. Group Co. Ltd.
- **Mr. Alireza Kolahi**, Director, Abhar Cable Company
- **Mr. Md. Siddiqur Rahman**, Vice President, FBCCI; Chairman, Sterling Group
- **Mr. Hussain M Elius**, CEO, PATHAO
- **Mr. Amzad Hussain**, Director, FBCCI

Invited Session Chairman/Moderator

- **Mr. Mangesh Lal Shrestha**, Global Vice President of Growth, Frost & Sullivan, and Former President, Nepalese Young Entrepreneurs Forum

Breakout Session II- Achieving Food Security and Food Safety

(Venue: Chitra Room, 1st Floor)

Invited speakers

- **Mr. Rommel Sim Gerodias**, President & CEO, Sauber Professionals
- **Mr. Tseng, Chien-Yao**, Junior Specialist, International Cooperation Development Fund of Taiwan (TaiwanICDF)
- **A.K.M. Nurul Afsar**, National Team Leader, Institutionalization of Food Safety in Bangladesh for Safer Food, FAO

Invited Session Chairman/Moderator

- **Mr. Ahsan Khan Chowdhury**, Chairman and Chief Executive, Pran Group

11:15 a.m. – 01:00 pm

CACCI Internal Meetings (Open only to relevant CACCI members)

- 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. - Meeting of the CACCI Policy Advocacy Working Group
(Venue: *Meghna Room, 1st Floor*)
- 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. - CACCI Advisory Board Meeting
(Venue: *Business Centre, Ground Floor*)
- 12:15 a.m. - 01:00 p.m.- CACCI Budget Commission Meeting
(Venue: *Business Centre, Ground Floor*)

01:00 p.m. – 02.00 p.m.

Lunch (Venue: *Ballroom Foyer/Ciao Room*)

02:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Parallel Breakout Session: Group Two

Breakout Session III – Overcoming the Digital Gender Divide

(Organized by The Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE)

*(Venue: **Ballroom II, Ground Floor**)*

Speakers will share best practices and successful country examples and initiatives in bringing women into the digital economy. Research by the International Trade Centre shows that the share of women-owned firms doubles when moving from traditional offline trade to cross-border e-commerce. Including women entrepreneurs and business owners in developing the rules and regulations that govern online trade is crucial to promote participation and growth in e-commerce.

Potential areas of discussion: (a) Opportunities for digitally-driven growth that empowers women and the barriers they still face (e.g., access to infrastructure, capital, technology, and to regional and global markets); (b) Best practices and successful country examples in bringing women into the digital economy (BWCCI could discuss their work on women’s digital empowerment; inclusive public private dialogue and policy reforms; discussion from Entrepreneurs); and (c) Potential synergies with existing regional initiatives (e.g., APEC Policy Partnership on Women in the Economy includes legal and business indicators such as the percentage of women using the internet and digital payments for online transactions; other relevant ASEAN initiatives, etc.)

Invited Speakers

- **Hon. Selima Ahmad**, Parliamentarian, President of Bangladesh Women Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- **Mr. Syed Mohammad Kamal**, Mastercard Country Director, Bangladesh
- **Ms. Frei Sangil**, Chief Executive Officer, Layertech
- **Mr. M. A. Kashem**, Former President, FBCCI; Chairman and Managing Director, Rose Corner (Pvt) Ltd. & J.K. Group
- **Mom Luan (ML) Preeyapun Sridhavat**, President, The Federation of Business and Professional Women’s Associations of Thailand, and Chairperson, ASEAN Women Entrepreneurs Network

Invited Session Chairman/Moderator:

- **Ms. Barbara Langley**, Director, Center for Women’s Economic Empowerment, CIPE, US

Breakout Session IV – Promoting SME Development

(Venue: Ballroom III, Ground Floor)

Invited Speakers

- **Mr. George Abraham**, Chairman, CACCI SME Development Council and Representative, Singapore Business Federation
- **Mr. Osama Taseer**, President, DCCI
- **Mr. Sean Mahoney**, Chair, International Business Council, Chamber of Commerce Northern Territory
- **Mr. Md. Safiqul Islam**, Managing Director, SME Foundation

Invited Session Chairman/Moderator

- **Mr. George Abraham**, Chairman, CACCI SME Development Council and Representative, Singapore Business Federation

- 03:30 p.m. – 03:45 p.m.** **Coffee Break** (*Venue: Ballroom Foyer/Padma Foyer*)
- 03:45 p.m. – 05:15 p.m.** **91st CACCI Council Meeting** (*Venue: Surma Room, 1st Floor*)
- 03:45 p.m. – 05:15 p.m.** **B2B Meetings** (*Venue: Padma Room, 1st Floor*)
- 08:00 p.m.** **Gala Dinner** (*Venue: Ballroom I, II, III, Ground Floor*)

November 28, 2019 (Wednesday)

- 6:00** **Golf Game**
(Assembly time for the golf game participants will be 5:30 am at the hotel lobby)
- 08:00 am – 09:00 am** **Optional Post-Conference Tour**
(Tour will include visits to Banganbandhu Museum from 08:00 am – 09:00 am, and to the Parliament House from 09:15 am to 10:15 am; Assembly time for the tour participants will be 07:30 am at the hotel lobby)
- Departure of delegates