

ADB Microfinance Week

ADB Headquarters, 14-18 March 2005

Agenda, Papers, and Presentations

Monday, 14 March 2005

8.30 – 9.20	Registration
9.25 – 9.30	Opening Session Introduction of the Session, Mr. Bindu N. Lohani, Director General, Regional and Sustainable Development Department, ADB
9.30 – 9.35	Welcome remarks Mr. Haruhiko Kuroda, President, ADB
9.35 – 9.45	Opening remarks Mr. G.H.P.B. van der Linden, Vice President (Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development), ADB
9.45 – 11.15	<u>Keynote Speeches</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Future of the Commercial Microfinance Industry in Asia Ms. Marguerite Robinson, Institute Fellow Emeritus, Harvard Institute for International Development, Harvard University• Reaching Poorest with Microfinance Mr. Stuart Rutherford, Founder, SafeSave, Bangladesh
11.15 – 11.30	Coffee Break

11.30 – 12.00	<p>Delivering Inclusive Microfinance with a Poverty Focus: Experiences of Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee (BRAC)</p> <p>Mr. Imran Matin, Director, Research and Evaluation Division, BRAC</p>
12.00 – 12.30	<p>Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP): An Introduction</p> <p>Mr. Richard Rosenberg, Senior Advisor, CGAP</p>
12.30 – 1.45	<p>Lunch at Executive Dining Room, ADB</p>
2.00 – 2.40	<p><u>Plenary Session 1: What Do Central Banks Do To Promote Microfinance?</u></p> <p>What Do Central Banks Do To Promote Microfinance?</p> <p>Mr. O. Chuluunbat, Governor, Bank of Mongolia</p>
2.40 – 3.20	<p>What Does The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Do To Promote Microfinance?</p> <p>Mr. Antonino Alindogan, Jr. Monetary Board Member, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas</p>
3.20 – 3.40	<p>Coffee Break</p>
3.40 – 4.00	<p>Discussant:</p> <p>Mr. Gilbert Llanto, Vice President, Philippine Institute of Development Studies</p>
4.00 – 4.30	<p>Open discussions</p>
4.30 – 5.00	<p><u>Plenary Session 2: Why is Financial Exclusion Widespread?</u></p> <p>Building Inclusive Financial Sectors: Why Are So Many Bankable Clients Unbanked?</p> <p>Mr. Peter Kooi, Director, Microfinance Unit, United Nations Capital Development Fund, New York</p>
6.00 – 7.30	<p>Reception at Executive Dining Room, ADB;</p> <p>Hosted by Mr. G.H.P.B. van der Linden, Vice-President (Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development), ADB</p>

Tuesday, 15 March 2005

8.30 – 9.00

Plenary Session 3: Transition to Private Sector Sources and Institutions

Role of Social Investors in Microfinance Development

Mr. Davis Golding,
Chief Investment Officer,
Shorecap International

09.00 - 09.30

Approaches and Operations of Blue Orchard Finance in Asia

Mr. Jean-Philippe de Schrevel,
Manager,
Blue Orchard Finance

9.30 – 9.45

Discussant:

Mr. Marc de Sousa-Shields,
Microfinance Investment Analyst

9.45 – 10.15

Open Discussion

10.15 – 10.30

Coffee Break

10.30 – 12.15

Can Private Sector Commercial Banks Play a Significant Role in Microfinance?

- **The Case of ICICI Bank (India)**

Ms. Ramni Nirula, Senior General Manager, ICICI Bank and Mr. Anil Kumar, Chief Manager (Rural Microbanking and Agribusiness Group), ICICI Bank

- **The Case of Khushhali Bank (Pakistan)**

Mr. Ghalib Nishtar, President, Khushhali Bank

- **Views of ABN AMRO**

Mr. Paul Mudde, Senior Vice President, ABN AMRO

- **The Experience of ANZ Bank in Fiji**

Ms. Carolyn Blacklock, Regional Executive, ANZ Bank and Mr. Jeff Liew, Chief Technical Advisor, UNDP

12.15 – 12.45

Discussion

12.45 – 2.00

Lunch at Executive Dining Room, ADB

2.00 – 2.30	<p><u>Plenary Session 4: Microfinance, Alternative Financial Institutions, and New Services</u></p> <p>Alternative Financial Institutions: Implications for the Future of Microfinance</p> <p>Mr. Richard Rosenberg, Senior Advisor, CGAP</p>
2.30 – 3.00	<p>Credit Unions: How Do They Deepen Outreach to the Poor?</p> <p>Mr. David Richardson, Senior Manager, Technical Development, World Council of Credit Unions</p>
3.00 – 3.30	<p>Discussion</p>
3.30 – 3.45	<p>Coffee Break</p>
3.45 – 4.15	<p>Khan Bank of Mongolia: Reforms and Results</p> <p>Mr. Peter Morrow, Chief Executive Officer, Khan Bank (formerly the Agricultural Bank), Mongolia</p>
4.15 – 4.45	<p>Current Status and Issues in Microinsurance Services in Asia</p> <p>Mr. Jim Roth, Chief Technical Advisor, Social Finance Program, International Labour Organization, Geneva</p>
4.45 – 5.15	<p>Discussion</p>
5.15 – 5.30	<p>Concluding Remarks</p> <p>Mr. Bindu N. Lohani, Director General, Regional and Sustainable Development Department, ADB</p>