Sector Expert Roundtable on Smart Ways to Help the Poor

Date: February 17, 2016
Time: 2:00pm-4:00pm (refreshments provided)
Venue: BRAC Centre Inn, Meeting Room # 3 (Level 3)
BRAC Centre, 75 Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212

Topic	Speaker	Time
Welcome Speech	**Abdul Bayes** Director, Research and Evaluation Division, BRAC	2:00 pm – 2:05 pm
Project Background & Current Status	**Obadias Ndaba** Project Manager, Copenhagen Consensus	2:05 pm – 2:10 pm
	Individual Presentations	
Ultra Poor, Cash Transfers, Livelihood Programs	**Munshi Sulaiman** Research Director BRAC International	2:10 pm – 2:45 pm
Q & A + Comments		2:45 pm – 3:00 pm
Microfinance	**Wasel Bin Shadat** Lecturer of Economics University of Manchester	3:00 pm – 3:35 pm
Q & A + Comments		3:35 pm – 3:45 pm
Prioritization Exercise and Closing Remarks	**Obadias Ndaba** Project Manager, Copenhagen Consensus	3:45 pm – 3:55 pm
Refreshments		3:55 pm

Biographies of Participating Economists

Munshi Sulaiman is Research Director of BRAC International overseeing research and evaluation teams in Asia and Africa. His research interests are in enterprise development, extreme poverty, education and youth development. He completed his PhD in Development Studies from London School of Economics. He has over 12 years experience in research on social programmes and recently completed post-doctoral fellowship at Yale University.

Wasel Bin Shadat is a Lecturer of Econometrics at the University of Manchester since 2011. Prior to this, he served as senior researcher at the Centre for Policy Dialogue. His major research interests include development and applied economics. He has co-authored a numbers of books, monographs and book chapters, and also published widely in peer reviewed academic journals. He has presented his research in various academic conferences including Econometric Society Meetings and Royal Economic Society Conferences.