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The **2**nd **Bangladesh Investment Summit, Asia** examines the trade and investment opportunities for Asian investors – corporate, asset managers, sovereign wealth funds, family offices, pension funds and other financial investors - in Bangladesh's markets.

This summit will address some of the most pertinent investment issues for companies looking to invest in the country and for Bangladeshi companies looking to raise funds in Asia. At the same time it will present the investment case for Bangladesh, and the routes for international investors.

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Thursday, 4th September 2014						
08:00	Registration and refreshments					
08:45	Chairman's welcome					
08:50	Opening Remarks					
	Jim McCabe, CEO, Standard Chartered, Bangladesh Mashrur Arefin, DMD and Chief Communications Officer, City Bank, Bangladesh					
09:00	Keynote Speech: Bangladesh Beckons: The New Narrative.					
	Dr. Gowher Rizvi, International Affairs adviser to the Prime Minister of Bangladesh					
09:20	Mapping economic growth, risks and the regulatory landscape.					
	 Near-term outlook Key risks to the outlook How is Bangladesh currently navigating its political climate? Macroeconomic and financial sector policies Maintaining fiscal prudence Monetary and exchange rate policy: Anchoring macroeconomic stability Financial sector reforms: Strengthening financial stability and governance Enhancing the regulatory environment for investment Moderator: K. Mahmood Sattar, Financial Consultant 					
	Panellists: Radhika Kak, Economist, Standard Chartered Johannes Zutt, Country Director, Bangladesh, World Bank Christian De Guzman, Vice-President, Sovereign Risk Group, Moody's Investors Service					
10:00	Keynote Speech: Investment Opportunities in Bangladesh – Look East.					
	Farooq Sobhan, President, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute					
10:20	Networking break					
10:50	 Bangladesh's journey to diversify its export and outsourcing sector. Is Bangladesh developing its export diversification strategy? Conditions for lending How has Bangladesh dealt with the ramifications of Rana Plaza and how are players, both domestic and foreign, operating in the RMG sector today? 					

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- Interplay with other Asian nations
- · Case studies to note

Moderator: Mahfuz Anam, Chief Editor, The Daily Star

<u>Panellists:</u> Shameem Ahsan, President, BASIS

Iqbal Ahmed, OBE, Chairman and CEO, Seamark Group Mahmudul Huq, Managing Director, Sadat Jute Industries MKM Mohiuddin, Former President, Chittagong Stock Exchange

11:25 Presentation: Bangladesh's Board of Investment maps foreign investment initiatives.

Nabhash Chandra Mandal, Executive Member, Board of Investment, Bangladesh

11:40 Where does Bangladesh feature in your investment allocation strategy?

Leading emerging market portfolio managers will discuss their thoughts on the yield versus risk criteria Bangladesh has to offer and the necessary requirements they outline when investing funds into such markets. Those already allocating the funds into Bangladesh will discuss how investor returns are playing out.

Moderator: Rupert Walker, Contributing Editor, FinanceAsia

Panellists:

Alia Yousuf, Lead Portfolio Manager, Asia Local Strategy, ING Investment Management

David Halpert, Founder Prince Street Capital

Kh. Asadul Islam, CEO, Alliance Capital Asset Management

Roberta Brzezinski, CIO, Tau Investment Management

Reaz Islam, Managing Partner, LR Global

12:20 Accessing Bangladesh's equity capital markets – challenges and opportunities.

- Bangladesh Bank's framework for developing access routes for foreign investors
- A look at recent developments
- Investment vehicles:
 - What is available?
 - What are the hurdles to foreign capital flows?
- Regulatory landscape
 - The nuances of current investment regulations local and foreign investments
 - Over regulation versus too little
 - Investment safeguards
 - Tax initiatives
- What enhancements to the operations of the equity capital markets in Bangladesh would create a more favourable and vibrant investment

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	environment?						
	Moderator: Reaz Islam, Managing Partner, LR Global						
	Panellists: Prof. Swapan Kumar Bala, Managing Director, Dhaka Stock Exchange Arif Khan, Commissioner, Bangladesh Security & Exchange Commission Nasir Chowdhury, CEO, LankaBangla Finance Christian Forthuber, Co-founder and Managing Director, SwissPro Invest Ali Imam, Head of Research, BRAC EPL Stock Brokerage						
13:00	Networking lunch sponsored by Standard Chartered Bank						
14:00	Developments in Bangladesh's debt capital market arena. Bangladesh Bank's framework for developing access routes for foreign investors A look at recent developments – the recent Banglalink issuance Touting a sovereign bond Investor appetite – risk vs return Access routes for offshore investors Regulatory and liquidity hurdles Moderator: Lutfey Siddiqi, Managing Director, UBS Investment Bank Panellists: Alia Yousuf, Lead Portfolio Manager, Asia Local Strategy, ING Investment Management Arif Khan, Commissioner, Bangladesh Security & Exchange Commission Md. Maroof ur Rahman Mazumder, Director & Head of Capital Markets, Standard Chartered, Bangladesh Agost Benard, Associate Director, Sovereign and International Public Finance Ratings, Standard & Poor's						
14:35	Keynote: PPP Office highlights projects for tender. Syed Afsor H. Uddin, CEO, Public Private Partnership Office, Bangladesh						
14:50	 Mapping infrastructure projects and harnessing financing. Which sectors are in need of most attention? Energy Ports, roads and railways Tech Securing financing for Bangladesh's pipeline The sovereign bond in relation to infrastructure projects Who are the big foreign players in Asia? What role can infrastructure funds play? What expertise and experience can international lenders bring to the table and what lessons can be learnt from domestic partners? What safeguards do investors demand for their money? The tender process – start to finish 						

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	Moderator: Nick Ferguson, Deputy Editor, FinanceAsia Panellists: Golam Mostafa, Chairman, Deshbandhu Group Nazmul Haque, Director (Investment) & Head of Advisory, IDCOL Kyle Kelhofer, IFC Country Manager, Bangladesh Johannes Zutt, Country Director, Bangladesh, World Bank					
15:40	Networking break					
16:05	CEO Insights.					
	Leading CEOs and MDs will join an in-depth discussion on how leading corporations are mapping their way to growth and navigating their way through domestic risks to strategically plan long-term sustainable returns.					
	Moderator: Jim McCabe, CEO, Standard Chartered, Bangladesh					
	Panellists: Syed Farhad Ahmed, Managing Director, aamra Ershad Hossain, CEO, City Bank Capital Resources Ltd Anwar-ul Alam Chowdhury, Managing Director, Evince Group (TBC) Ali Reza Iftekhar, CEO, Eastern Bank					
16:40	Bangladesh's M&A potential – how can MNCs capitalise?					
	 Understanding and evaluating the domestic market How to incentivise inbound investment? Entry routes and requirements for MNCs – WOFE, JVs, M&A, etc Risks and legal factors to consider How can MNCs provide positive contributions to the market? Telcoms sector a shining example – how can this be replicated? 3G licences as the next wave of development CSR as a factor in operations 					
	Moderator: Niaz Khan, Executive Director, DMS Offshore Investments					
	Panellists: Mamun Rashid, Senior Adviser, SwissPro Invest Alamgir Morshed, Head of Financial Markets, Standard Chartered, Bangladesh Sonia Bashir Kabir, Country Head, Microsoft, Bangladesh Zarif Munir, Partner, Boston Consulting Group Shahwar Nizam, Senior Associate, Country Partner, DFDL					
17:15	Closing Keynote Speech:					
	Mahbub Uz Zaman, H.E High Commissioner for Bangladesh to Singapore					
17:30	Summit End & Drinks Reception					

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