

Dear  
Professor Dr. S. M. Nazrul Islam  
Vice Chancellor  
Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology

SciDev.Net is organising a **discussion seminar** with diverse array of stakeholders with regards to **Bangladesh's Science and Technology (S&T) landscape** on the **18 and 19 September 2014**, to be held at **Lake Shore Hotel, Dhaka, Bangladesh**. We highly regard your participation based on the prominence of your organization; and your position as a key stakeholder in your country. You can participate in the discussion session on any of the aforementioned dates and share your views on how to improve the delivery and usage of science and technology for development in Bangladesh.

This seminar is part of a global programme that started in 2012 in South East Asia and the Pacific. Since then we have been organising seminars and discussions as such in the developing world, which have been very useful in understanding regional needs and contexts. Other NGOs and aid agencies have also found these events useful for their own activities, furthering the impact these events have. You can find detailed reports here: <http://www.scidev.net/global/content/learning-series.html>

Prominent Policy Developers, Academicians, NGO Activists and Private Sector Officials are invited to share their views and vision. The goal is to better meet your needs as well as that of your organisation and region.

Please join us for discussions – **regardless of whether you use S&T regularly or not** -around:

Most relevant science and technology (S&T) topics for development purposes

- Regional gender-relevant topics in S&T for development
- Breaking areas of research as well as emerging science communication and science policy trends
- Capacity building and science communication training for all relevant groups
- Relevant information related to content and service delivery by SciDev.Net

We are inviting **key stakeholders like you** currently working in any of the below groups:

- Policy stakeholders (civil servants, policy makers, policy administrators -from local to national levels)
- The scientific and research community (scientists and researchers)
- Science communicators (science journalists, press officers working for science or research organisations)
- Civil society (development practitioners working for non-for-profit organisations)
- Prominent private sector companies

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নং সংস্থা/এ-৪৮/রে- ৮৫০ (৫০)

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অবগতি ও প্রয়োজনীয় ব্যবস্থা গ্রহণের জন্য অনুলিপি :-

- ১। সকল বিভাগ প্রধান, বাঃ প্রঃ বিঃ, ঢাকা।
- ২। সকল ইনস্টিটিউট/সেন্টার-এর পরিচালকবৃন্দ, বাঃ প্রঃ বিঃ, ঢাকা।
- ৩। গার্ড ফাইল/ব-৬।



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The event will take place at Lake Shore Hotel, (Road # 41, House # 46, Gulshan 2, Dhaka) at the aforementioned dates. We kindly request you to please complete the attached Confirmation form as soon as possible and send it back to my assistant Mr. MuntasirTahmeed: [mtahmeed19@gmail.com](mailto:mtahmeed19@gmail.com). He will also be following up on your availability and attendance. For any query please don't hesitate to call him at: +880 1817 759 728

Note: The Confirmation form asks you to select one of the two possible dates for attendance to these events. The programme is the same on both days; it is only the participants that change in order to maximise participation and country-wide consultation.

Best wishes,

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