

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

8:15 am - 8:45 am REGISTRATION

8:45 am - 9:00 am WELCOME:

Arthur Holcombe, President, United Nations Association of Greater Boston
Jay Rosengard, Director, Financial Sector Program, JFK School of Government

9:00 am - 9:45 am KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

Microfinance From Philanthropy to Commerce

Charles V. Raymond, President, Citigroup Foundation

**The Inter-Relationship of Microcredit, Connectivity, Commerce,
Income Generation and Poverty Alleviation Taken to Scale:
The Case of Grameen Phone in Bangladesh**

Iqbal Quadir, Former President of GrameenPhone

Questions & Answers

9:45 am - 11:00 am PANEL DISCUSSION: **International Experience Promoting More Sustainable
Microfinance Institutions Reaching the Poor**

Experience of USAID Supporting Pro Poor Microfinance Institutions

Kate McGee, USAID

**From Credit Led Microfinance to Village Managed Self Help Groups;
a Savings Led Alternative to Financial Institution Building**

Jeffrey Ashe, Oxfam America

Accion's Approach to Mainstreaming Microfinance

Elisabeth Rhyne, Senior Vice President, ACCION International

Moderator: Jay Rosengard, Director, Financial Sector Program, JFK School of Government

Questions & Answers

11:00am - 11:15 am BREAK

11:15 am - 12:30 pm PANEL DISCUSSION: **Experience Providing Financial Services to Poor
Households and Enterprises**

Housing Microfinance: Fashion or Footware

David Porteous, Affordable Housing Institute, Boston

Back Streets to Main Streets: Inner City Banking

Gail Snowden, Boston Foundation

**ACCION's Experience with Credit for Small Enterprises in
New England and Elsewhere**

Livingston Parsons, ACCION USA

Moderator: Matt Quigley, Director of Community Affairs Division,
Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

Questions & Answers

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm LIGHT LUNCHEON AND UNA-GB LEADERSHIP AWARD PRESENTATION

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm SUPPLEMENTARY AUDIENCE QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS TO PANELISTS

Jay Rosengard, Director, JFK School of Government
Arthur Holcombe, UNA-GB

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