

Call for Papers

BDI International Conference 2024

Bangladesh Reimagined: The Next Half-Century

Bangladesh Development Initiative (BDI) is pleased to announce its 7th multidisciplinary international conference. It will be held on November 8–10, 2024 (Friday–Sunday) at the University of California, Berkeley, in partnership with the Institute for South Asia Studies and the Subir & Malini Chowdhury Center for Bangladesh Studies at UC Berkeley. All academics, scholars, and practitioners working on Bangladesh in their respective fields are invited to submit extended abstracts or full papers related to the conference theme. Authors are encouraged to include innovative forward-looking ideas for a reimagined Bangladesh, and policy recommendations to implement such innovations in a future Bangladesh.

- Submissions should represent original and unpublished work on the following broad categories: society, governance, education, economy, environment, health, the arts, media, and other issues related to the conference theme. While looking at the past and present, the submissions should also project into the future with aspirations and roadmaps along these broad categories and related sub-categories.
- An extended abstract (minimum 500 words) or a draft of the full paper should be submitted by April 15, 2024, through the submission drop box at the BDI website (<https://bdiusa.org/bcs/>). Submissions can also be sent by email to Dr. Munir Quddus (muquddus@pvamu.edu) with cc to Dr. Rahim Quazi (rmquazi@pvamu.edu). Submissions should contain details on the research question, theoretical framework, data sources and methodology, any findings, and potential policy implications/recommendations.
- Each submission will be reviewed by subject experts. Authors will be notified of the acceptance/rejection of their submissions by May 31, 2024.
- Authors of the accepted submissions will be invited to submit a full paper to be published in the conference proceedings by September 15, 2024, and will receive the final review decision by October 7, 2024. This full paper is optional, and authors may opt out of having their papers published in the proceedings. Final version of accepted papers should be submitted by October 22, 2024, for inclusion in the conference proceedings.
- No more than two submissions will be accepted from the same author.
- We are also interested in a select number of theme-specific research sessions and panels. If you are interested in putting together a session or a panel, please contact us with a title, abstract, and a list of potential authors/panelists.

The conference registration fee is \$300 and the registration deadline is October 1, 2024. This fee covers access to all breakout sessions, plenary sessions, conference proceedings, one formal dinner, two lunches, and two breakfasts. For participants from Bangladesh (excluding students), the registration fee is \$150. For students (from all countries) and local residents, the registration fee is \$100. Lodging/hotel is not covered in this registration fee.

Detailed conference information can be found on the BDI website (<http://www.bdiusa.org>). Airport, hotel, local transportation, and related information will be posted on the website in the coming months.

For questions and information on BDI or the 2024 conference, please contact Dr. Munir Quddus (muquddus@pvamu.edu) with cc to Dr. Rahim Quazi (rmquazi@pvamu.edu).