

Local Network Update – Bangladesh (October, 2007)

Number of current participants: 34
Focal Point: Bangladesh Enterprise Institute (BEI)

Achievements:

- ◆ The Sewing Academy – Singer Bangladesh
 - ILO-Singer Bangladesh partnership highlighted in GC publication presented at the Leaders Summit in Geneva, 2007
- ◆ 1 notable COP – ACI Limited
- ◆ Recruited a nationalized commercial bank (public bank) – Agrani Bank
- ◆ Recruited a Business Association – BWCCI

COP facilitation:

- ◆ Facilitation provided for the preparation of 2 (two) COPs
 - ACI Limited
 - Square Pharmaceuticals Limited

Promotion:

- ◆ An independent CSR Centre was launched in September, 2007
- ◆ The Centre is a private sector led initiative
- ◆ Objective to be a CSR service provider and a facilitator
- ◆ The Centre will act as an important platform to promote the Global Compact
- ◆ Founder members include:
 - Bangladesh Enterprise Institute (GC participant)
 - Transparency International
 - Rahimafrooz (GC participant)
 - Center for Policy Dialogue (GC participant)

Future Activities:

- ◆ Plans underway to firm up the governance structure to promote an active network
- ◆ Global Compact expected to be launched by 2007
- ◆ BEI-CARE Bangladesh working on a publication highlighting NGO-Corporate partnership

Attachment: Network Fact Sheet for 2007:

Network Management								
Annual Network Meeting (yes/no)	COP facilitation (yes/no)	Helped to facilitate other integrity measures (e.g. complaint mechanism) (yes/no)	Website (if yes, URL)	Name Focal Point	Steering Committee (yes/no)	Steering Committee has non-business participants (yes/no)	Secretariat hosted by	Member fees (if yes, amount for Company/ SME/ other)
No	Yes (2 COP facilitations)	No	No	Bangladesh Enterprise Institute	No	N/A	N/A	N/A

Number Local Network Participants										Government participation in Network
TOTAL	MNCs	SMEs	Micro-enterprises (<10 employees)	Business Organization	CSR Organization	Labour Organization	Civil Society organizations	Academic Institution	Other Stakeholders (large companies)	Yes/ no
34	0	7	0	2	1	0	3	2	19	No

Number of Activities					
Outreach Events	Learning Events	Policy Dialogues	Partnership projects	Cooperation with other Local Networks	Other activities
7	0	0	0	0	1