

Conference on International Trade Finance and Foreign Exchange

Where operational experience becomes actionable research and policy insight

CONFERENCE DATE

28 NOVEMBER 2026

Renaissance Dhaka Gulshan
Hotel, Bangladesh

LAST DATE FOR

SUBMISSION OF PAPERS/
CASE STUDIES

15 OCTOBER 2026

LAST DATE FOR NOMINATION/
REGISTRATION TO PARTICIPATE

15 NOVEMBER 2026 (Local)

30 OCTOBER 2026 (Int.)

WHO THIS PROGRAMME IS DESIGNED FOR

Specially Designed for SENIOR- AND TOP-LEVEL Operational Bank Executives

The full day is built around the recent issues and challenges of international trade finance and foreign exchange — the live operational, documentation, compliance, treasury/FX and policy problems that top- and senior-level executives handle every day. Central bankers, regulators, trade bodies, development partners, experts, researchers and academics are also warmly welcome.

WHY THIS CONFERENCE

International trade and foreign exchange are being reshaped by asset-quality pressure, TBML and sanction risks, exchange-rate volatility, digitalisation, sustainability expectations and persistent financing gaps. dFin convenes a focused forum for operational executives and researchers seeking practical, evidence-based responses.

WHAT MAKES IT DISTINCTIVE

Action research and cases are central. Practitioners, central bankers, experts and academics are invited to investigate live operational and policy problems. A review team will select the strongest papers and cases for presentation before senior audiences.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Designed particularly for top- and senior-level operational bank executives working on the recent issues and challenges of trade finance and foreign exchange.

Heads and senior executives of trade finance, international division / AD branches, treasury and FX, risk, compliance and operations; senior and top-level bank executives; central bank and regulatory officials; trade bodies; development partners; experts, researchers and academics in international banking and finance.

EXPECTED OUTPUTS AND VALUE

- Conference Proceedings with keynote, session highlights and recommendations.
- Policy Brief for policymakers, regulators and government agencies.
- Operational Brief for banks and trade finance practitioners.
- Executive peer exchange, cross-sector coordination and a presentation platform for selected action research and cases.

EXPERT ADVISORY PANEL OF THE CONFERENCE

Dr. Toufic Ahmad Choudhury

Advisor, dFin & Former Director General, BIBM

Mr. Ali Hossain Prodhania

Chairman, NRB Commercial Bank PLC & Former MD, BKB

Mr. Ahmed Shaheen

Additional Managing Director, Eastern Bank PLC

Mr. Syed Sazzad Haider Chowdhury

Deputy Managing Director, Prime Bank PLC

Mr. Faruk Ahmed

Deputy Managing Director, City Bank PLC

Mr. Mehdi Zaman

Deputy Managing Director, Eastern Bank PLC

Conference Keynote Presenter: Dr. Shah Md Ahsan Habib

Chairman, dFin, Dnet; Professor, BIBM; & Member, ICC Bangladesh Banking Commission

CONFERENCE SESSION ARCHITECTURE

Three concurrent sessions before lunch + three after lunch

01 Asset Quality, RBS & TBML Trade finance risk, credit discipline, AML and integrity	02 Digital Trade Finance Paperless trade, e-documents, data and interoperability	03 Foreign Exchange FX operations, exchange-rate stability and market practice
ACTION RESEARCH & CASES EVIDENCE → DIALOGUE → ACTION REVIEWED FOR PRESENTATION		
04 Sustainable & Inclusive Trade Climate, ESG, SMEs, women-led firms and access	05 Trade Finance Gaps & SMEs Supply-chain resilience and responsible expansion	06 Operational Case Forum Compliance, talent and trade/FX operational excellence

DAYLONG CONFERENCE FLOW

Saturday, 28 November 2026

09:00	09:30	10:30	11:00	13:00	14:00	16:00	16:30	17:00
Registration	Inaugural & Keynote	Snacks	3 Morning Tracks	Lunch	3 Afternoon Tracks	Concluding Session	Evening Tea	Close

CALL FOR ACTION RESEARCH PAPERS & PRACTICE CASES

Bring a live trade finance or foreign exchange problem and present an evidence-based solution

Send/Submit Your Paper to: conferencedfin@gmail.com

PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDANCE

What to submit: an action research paper or practice case of no more than 10 pages addressing a live operational, institutional or central-banking issue in international trade finance or foreign exchange.

Strong submissions should: define the problem; use evidence, data, observation or case material; explain the action/intervention; assess results or expected impact; and conclude with implementable recommendations.

Selection: a review team will assess operational relevance, methodological clarity, originality, policy/practice usefulness and regional significance. Selected authors will be invited to present at the conference. **The selected paper/case presenters will be eligible to participate at a special registration fee of BDT 6,000/USD 60.**

PRIORITY ISSUE DOMAINS

- Trade payment practices
- Export-import financing operations
- International trade finance gap and SMEs
- RBS and trade financing
- Asset quality in trade financing
- Compliance, AML/TBML and trade financing
- Trade and foreign exchange operations
- Exchange-rate stability and international trade
- Digital trade finance and paperless trade
- Sustainable and inclusive trade financing
- Supply-chain resilience and responsible finance
- Talent management in trade finance

PARTICIPATION FEES [NET PAYABLE]

For Local Participants

Early Bird: BDT 12,000
Registration/Nomination by October 15, 2026

Regular: BDT 15,000
Registration/Nomination by November 15, 2026

For International Participants

Early Bird: USD 120
Registration/Nomination by October 15, 2026

Regular: USD 150
Registration/Nomination by October 30, 2026



dFin | Financial Sector Capacity Development Arm of Dnet

Email: conferencedfin@gmail.com | Web: www.dfin.info | Phone: 01719476384, 01841002616
4/8, Humayun Road, Block-B, Mohammadpur, Dhaka 1207, Bangladesh