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Just a sample of what you will learn about

JITA Bangladesh- a social business empowering women & creating access for BoP consumers.



JITA Bangladesh, a social Enterprise, is a joint venture of CARE International & Danone Communities dedicated to empowering women through a network of enterprises, creating employment opportunities and improving access to markets for Base of the pyramid (BoP) consumers in Bangladesh. JITA Bangladesh aims to empower more than 12,000 poor women in all over Bangladesh by 2015 by improving access to markets for health hygiene and nutrition products to over 7 million Base of the Pyramid consumers. Door to door distribution, research & consultancy, NGO partnerships for development and market creation are major areas we focus on. - **Saif Al Rashid, Dhaka, Bangladesh**

Challenges and Opportunities in expanding a Social Enterprise within a Social Services Organization



Calgary Counselling Centre is the leading research, training and knowledge-based counselling organization in Canada. Since 1962, the Centre has been committed to providing best practices in counselling, training and research to improve the well-being of Calgarians through positive outcomes. Offering barrier-free services, the Centre is a recognized leader in the treatment of family violence, depression, eating disorders and separation/divorce, trauma and self-esteem. Through its ongoing research and education programs, Calgary Counselling Centre strives to meet the changing needs of our community. – **Robbie Babins-Wagner, Alberta, Canada**

Learning for Greater Impact: Linking Rural and Urban through Research and Reflective Social Enterprise Practice



Two urban and two rural social enterprises with high impact potential will be highlighted through case analysis to illustrate the challenges and opportunities for collaboration between university based researchers, consulting practitioners and social enterprises. These case studies will include examples of social enterprises focused on poverty reduction, environment, food security and health outcomes. - **Dr. Al Lauzon, Mary Ferguson, Ryan Turnbull and Cathy Lang, Ontario, Canada**

Linking, Learning, Leveraging : researchers – practitioner and academic



We devoted over five years to exploring the social economy of Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Northern Ontario. They found that social economy organizations have built and strengthened rural and remote rural communities, and contributed important services in urban centres. Civic engagement and democratic decision-making are fundamental characteristics of social economy organizations, empowering communities to direct social and economic initiatives in directions consistent with community needs. **Lou Hammond Ketilson, Saskatoon, Canada**

Towards the European social entrepreneurship – A Polish case study



After the socio-political transformation in 1989 Poland rather ignored the idea of social entrepreneurship. Only in 2003 a new law on public benefit work was established, which regulated the rules of cooperation between public and civic sector. It was the beginning of the revival of social entrepreneurship in Poland. The paper will present Polish case study of social entrepreneurship based on the three-years research carried out by the Institute of Public Affairs in Warsaw. The research aims at identifying social enterprises' developmental barriers and evaluating social, economic and legal efficiency of these institutions. **Izabela Przybysz, Warsaw, Poland**

What Motivates Nonprofit Organizations to Implement Risk Management: A Comparative Analysis of Germany and the United Kingdom



In a time of global uncertainty effective risk management has become a critical strategic issue in the commercial sector and policy makers continue to focus on mechanisms to improve corporate governance and managing organizational risks. Despite these developments there is little research on risk management in the nonprofit sector and factors associated with the implementation of an institutionalized risk management framework. Why are some nonprofit organizations are responding to a changing environment by embracing a systematic approach to managing risks and others are not. **Tobias, Broweleit, Dortmund, Germany**

The Pathfinders' Perspective: An exploration of financial support systems for enhancing the growth of the social enterprise sector in South Africa.



The capacity of social enterprise to address the significant development challenges in South Africa has only just begun to be accessed due to a lack of understanding of the movement and of how to work with the funding mechanisms needed to grow it. Banks, donors, corporations and other funders of social enterprises in South Africa must recognize the limited understanding that the leaders of social enterprises have of financing tools, and must provide better assistance in improving this knowledge. -

Jerome Lengkeek, Surrey, BC