

## AGENTS OF CHANGE



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**Venue:** Seminar Room 3-1, Level 3  
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## Bangladesh -- The Perfect Storm of Social Innovation

### ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Khalid Quadir is the CEO and a Partner of Brummer & Partners Asset Management (Bangladesh) Limited, which manages Frontier Fund, the first private equity fund in Bangladesh. He has 18 years of experience in private equity, entrepreneurship and banking. Khalid co-founded Gonofone, a New York based company, which is the founding partner of GrameenPhone, the largest mobile phone operator in Bangladesh. Khalid also founded and managed bracNet, a Bangladesh wireless broadband operator. Prior to that, he spent 12 years working in private equity and banking in the United States. Khalid is a graduate of Middlebury College, Vermont and was awarded an entrepreneurship fellowship at Stanford University, California in 2003.

### SYNOPSIS

Mr. Quadir built a successful career growing numerous social purpose businesses in Bangladesh. His talk will focus on his work and on Bangladesh, a country which was once known for its cyclones and political unrest, but which is now a beacon of social innovation. Despite various economic and natural challenges, Bangladesh continues to produce innovative people, products and services which are transforming the development and social landscape for the world. Mr. Quadir will discuss the innovation factors that continue to propel the country forward, including its tenacious people, creative organizations, entrepreneurial spirit and the very important female workforce. Mr. Quadir is exemplary of the fact that Bangladesh truly is the world's frontier for social innovation - a concept whose time as come.