



Scottish Institute for Research in Economics

## Micro-credit Symposium

*January 24, 2013*

Senate Room (CL205)

Collins Building  
22 Richmond Street  
University of Strathclyde  
Glasgow G1 1XQ

Organiser: Robert E. Wright

### FINAL PROGRAMME

- 12:00-12:45: Sandwich Lunch
- 12:45-1:00: “Welcome and Introduction”, Robert Wright
- 1:00-1:45: “Managing Microfinance in an Innovative Way”, Shafique Choudhury
- 1:45-2:30: “Poverty Alleviation and Microfinance: A Perspective from the World Bank”, Praful Patel
- 2:30-3:00: Coffee Break
- 3:00-3:30: “Micro-credit in Scotland”, Cam Donaldson
- 3:30-4:30: Panel Discussion: “Will Micro-credit Work in Rich Countries?”  
Chaired by Robert Wright
- Members: Shafique Choudhury, Neil McHugh, Eunice Lancaster and Praful Patel
- 4:30-5:30: Tea
- 5:30: Close

RSVP: We need to know numbers so please let Michael Tribe ([michael.tribe@strath.ac.uk](mailto:michael.tribe@strath.ac.uk)) know by Friday, January 18 (at the latest) if you intend to participate in this event.

## **SPEAKERS**

**Shafique Choudhury** is Founder and President of ASA (Association for Social Advancement) and ASA International. ASA is a global micro-finance institution with facilities in such countries as Bangladesh, Philippines, Nigeria, Indonesia, India, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Afghanistan, Yemen, Jordan, Ethiopia, Myanmar and Peru

**Cam Donaldson** is Yunus Professor of Social Business and Health and Director of the Yunus Centre for Social Business and Health at Glasgow Caledonian University

**Neil McHugh** is a PhD student in the Yunus Centre for Social Business and Health at Glasgow Caledonian University. His research focuses on the South to North transfer of microcredit for enterprise and the associated challenges of implementation in the UK

**Eunice Lancaster** is General Manager of DSL Business Finance. DSL is a not-for-profit company that provides business guidance and loans to startup and growth companies

**Praful Patel** is a Development Consultant and Advisory Board Member at the African Center for Economic Transformation, Washington DC. He is a former Regional Vice President South Asia, World Bank, with responsibility for all operations in this region

**Robert Wright** is Professor of Economics at the University of Strathclyde

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