



Graduation Models: Graduating the Poorest into Microfinance

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9:00 Registration and Coffee

9:15 **Welcome and Introduction**

Peter Tschumi, SDC

9:30 **Graduation models: Why, how, for whom, risks and challenges?**

Munshi Sulaiman, PhD student, lead researcher in the graduation program, BRAC, Bangladesh

10:15 **CGAP and Ford Foundation's graduation program: overview of 9 projects from 7 countries and first results**

Aude de Montesquiou, CGAP, Washington DC

10:45 Break

11:00 **Question and Answers and Discussion**

Hans Ramm, SDC

11:30 Case Study 1: **SKS's "Ultra Poor" Program in Andra Pradesh**

Teresa Khanna, SKS India

12:15 **Questions and Answers**

12:30 Lunch

13:45 Case Study 2: **Fonkoze's "Pathway to a Better Life" Program in Rural Boukan Kare, Haiti** (including 8 minute movie Chemen Lavi Miyo)

Karishma Huda, BRAC Development Institute

14:20 **Questions and Answers**

14:35 Case Study 3: **BRAC's "Targeting the Ultra Poor" Program in Bangladesh**

Munshi Sulaiman, PhD student, lead researcher in the graduation program, BRAC, Bangladesh

15:20 **Discussion**

Hans Ramm, SDC

15:45 **Wrap up and Closing**

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