

## What's up in the Hub?

**Celebrating 3 years of Impact!**

We are thrilled to announce that Impact Hub Dhaka is turning 3 this October! Join us as we celebrate 3 years of unwavering commitment to foster innovation, collaboration, and impact in our dynamic community. It's been an incredible journey, one marked by the dedication of our exceptional members, the support of our invaluable partners, and the relentless efforts of our incredible team – all committed to shape a Bangladesh where everyone thrives!

**HubDates:**

Impact Hub Dhaka was recently featured in The Business Standard: 'Inside the efficient world of Dhaka's green offices.' Highlighting our commitment to ensure sustainability every day, the article emphasizes how every corner of Impact Hub Dhaka reflects our commitment to a greener future, from the design of our space to the utilization of natural light, from our waste-management and recycling initiatives to eco-friendly practices during events, and ample greenery in the office. Read the full article [here](#) and drop by Impact Hub Dhaka soon!



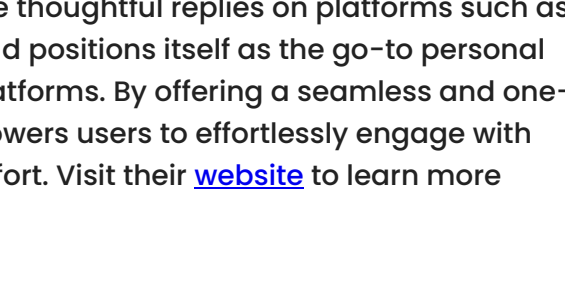
**Youth-Led Innovations: Leveraging Social Business for a 3ZERO World**

In partnership with Grameen Danone-Shokti, the 3Z Global Centre teamed up with Reflective Teens to host an informative event, 'Youth-Led Innovations – Social Business for a 3ZERO World' at Impact Hub Dhaka on August 13, 2023.

The event brought together around 40 students from University of Dhaka, University of Chittagong, and Bangladesh Professionals University, as well as young professionals from various backgrounds. Inspired by conversations on how Social Business can be a force for good, the young visionaries had the opportunity to share their ideas for change and collaboration, while they learnt how they could take the first step towards transformation by joining the global 3ZERO movement! Visit their [website](#) to learn more about the 3ZERO clubs.

**Leveraging the strength of Generative AI with ReplyMind**

Congratulations to Konok Nazmul Islam and Zibran Zarf Amio – members of Impact Hub Dhaka since June 2023, for launching their generative AI tool, ReplyMind, on August 28, 2023!



ReplyMind is an AI tool designed to generate thoughtful replies on platforms such as LinkedIn, Twitter and Product Hunt. ReplyMind positions itself as the go-to personal assistant for networking on social media platforms. By offering a seamless and one-click automated reply tool, ReplyMind empowers users to effortlessly engage with their audience, saving valuable time and effort. Visit their [website](#) to learn more about ReplyMind.



**Celebrating the entrepreneurial spirit with 'MSME DAY: Rise of Micro-multinationals'**

On August 30, 2023, Tradeshi Ltd and Alibaba.com hosted "MSME DAY: Rise of Micro-multinationals" at Impact Hub Dhaka, bringing together entrepreneurs, innovators, and leaders to explore the captivating world of micro-multinationals in the era of the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

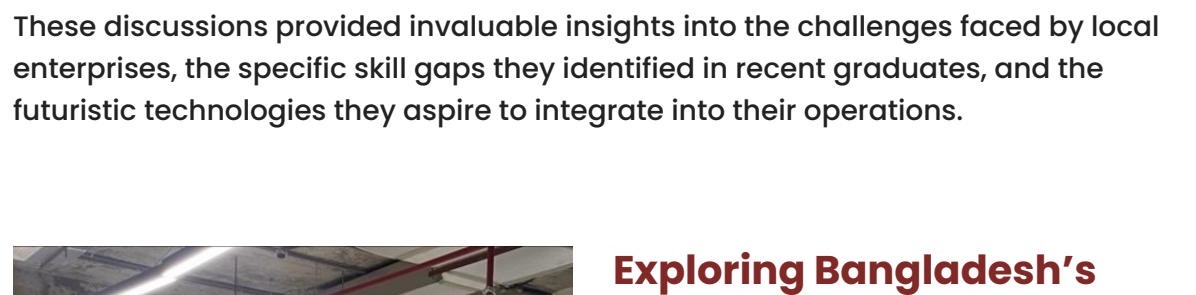
The event ignited passionate discussions about the transformative power of technology, globalization, and innovation in micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs). Attendees from diverse backgrounds shared their insights, experiences, and visions for the future during an enlightening session that delved into the accelerated growth of micro-multinationals and the evolving landscape of supply chains.



**Upskilling youth on emerging technology for our future workforce**

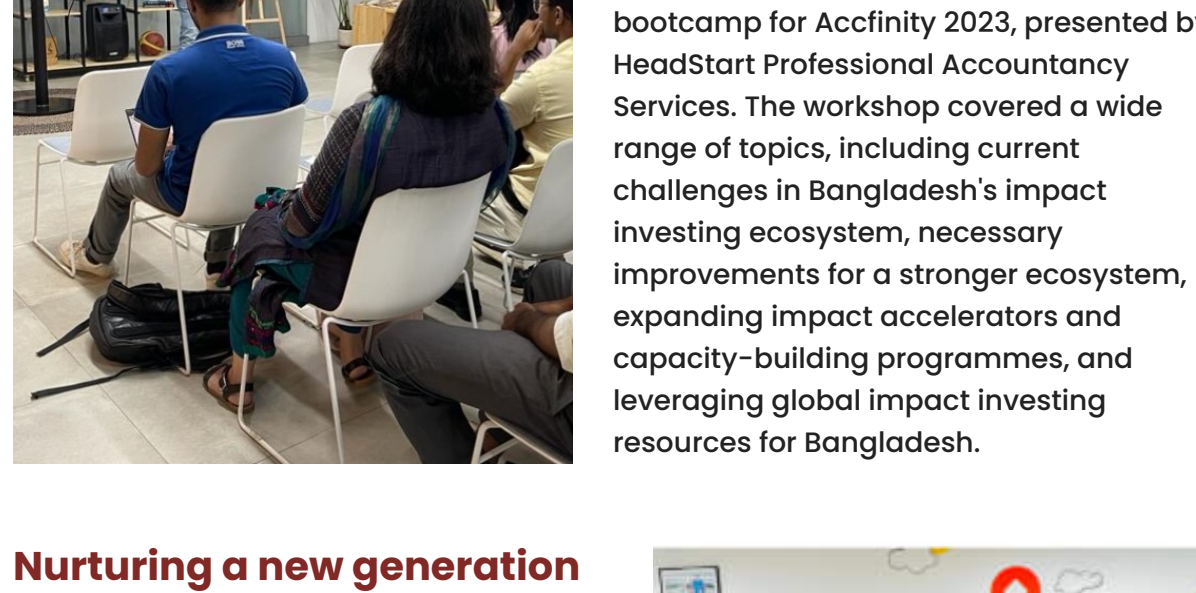
UNDP Bangladesh Accelerator Lab hosted an event, "Up-skilling youth on emerging technology for future workforce", on September 5, 2023. Focusing on mapping the intricate landscape of the Bangladeshi technology ecosystem and anticipate the evolving demands of its workforce, this event brought together 15 technology leaders representing a diverse array of sectors, including information technology, telecommunications, application-based service providers, fast-moving consumer goods, digital content, and more.

These discussions provided invaluable insights into the challenges faced by local enterprises, the specific skill gaps they identified in recent graduates, and the futuristic technologies they aspire to integrate into their operations.



**Exploring Bangladesh's investment landscape**

On September 20, 2023, BUP Accounting Forum hosted an interactive workshop facilitated by YY Ventures on "Unveiling Investment Opportunities in Bangladesh and Key Challenges" in an exclusive bootcamp for Accflinity 2023, presented by HeadStart Professional Accountancy Services. The workshop covered a wide range of topics, including current challenges in Bangladesh's impact investing ecosystem, necessary improvements for a stronger ecosystem, expanding impact accelerators and capacity-building programmes, and leveraging global impact investing resources for Bangladesh.



**Nurturing a new generation of explorers with Nishat Mazumder**

Abhijatrik hosted a meet for their "Trek with Nishat" and "Climb with Nishat" initiative on September 21, 2023, at Impact Hub Dhaka. The event shed light on the remarkable journeys of Nishat Mazumder, first Bangladeshi woman to scale Mount Everest, and young women aged between 18-25 years, who will have the unique opportunity to trek with her in the Himalayas.



The event also highlighted the significant social impact these initiatives will have on the youth of Bangladesh, particularly young girls. This initiative aims to empower young girls and boys, fostering a legacy of determination and achievement, while serving as a source of inspiration for the entire nation.

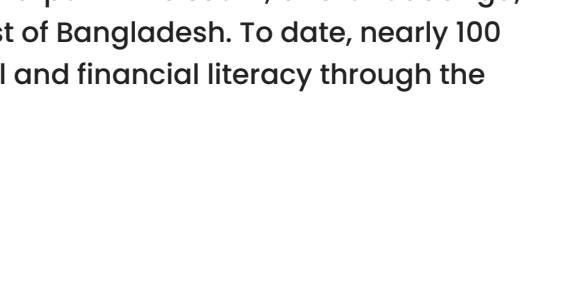
**Supporting SME Entrepreneurs in rural Bangladesh with ILO and Grameen Trust**

Our entrepreneurship support program, implemented in partnership with the International Labour Organization and Grameen Trust, has been in full swing this quarter. We held three training sessions in Q3, each hosting around 20 trainers during the months of July, August and September in 2023.

Focused on modules on "Digitalizing the Business" and "Financial Literacy", these training sessions were designed to equip these trainers with necessary knowledge and skills so they can better support rural entrepreneurs based in Manikganj, Narsingdi, Mymensingh, Pabna, Meherpur, and Dhamrai in the north; Chandpur, Lakhimpur, Faridpur, Barisal, Bhola and Shariatpur in the south; and Chuadanga, Kushtia, Jhenaidah, and Sirajganj in the west of Bangladesh. To date, nearly 100 entrepreneurs have gained access to digital and financial literacy through the training program.

**Empowering climate-driven innovation**

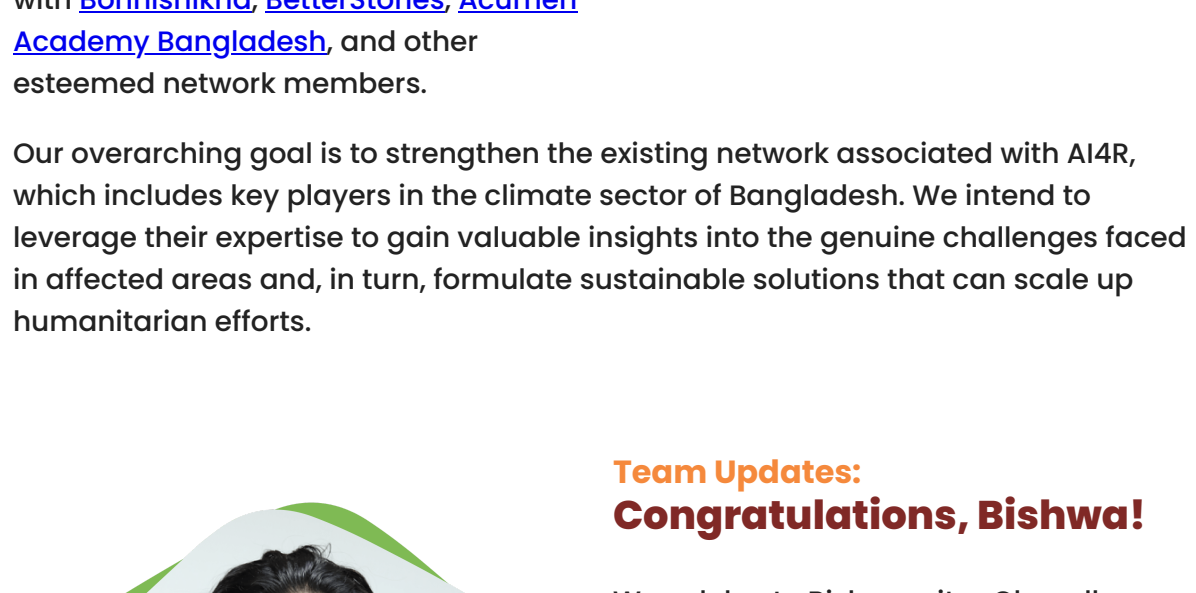
We are pleased to Impact Hub Dhaka's partnership with Global Knowledge Initiative's Accelerating Innovation for Resilience (A4R) project. Supported by USAID, we aim to foster humanitarian innovation and climate resilience through collaborative learning practices. Our activities will focus on enhancing community-aligned innovation, strengthening collaboration and learning, and facilitating capacity building – all while amplifying stories of our successes and setbacks from this experience. We are excited to establish a knowledge hub dedicated to climate-related initiatives, which will be developed in collaboration with [Banshikhya](#), [BetterStories](#), [Acumen Academy Bangladesh](#), and other esteemed network members.



Our overarching goal is to strengthen the existing network associated with A4R, which includes key players in the climate sector of Bangladesh. We intend to leverage their expertise to gain valuable insights into the genuine challenges faced in affected areas and, in turn, formulate sustainable solutions that can scale up humanitarian efforts.

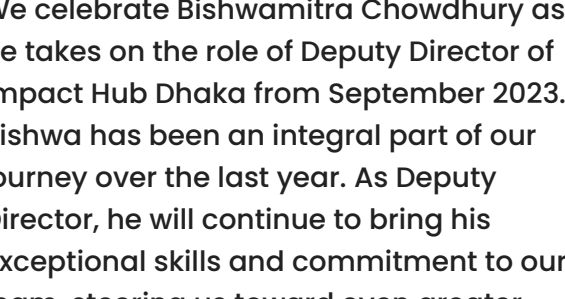
**Team Updates: Congratulations, Bishwa!**

We celebrate Bishwamitra Chowdhury as he takes on the role of Deputy Director of Impact Hub Dhaka from September 2023. Bishwa has been an integral part of our journey over the last year. As Deputy Director, he will continue to bring his exceptional skills and commitment to our team, steering us toward even greater heights. Join us in wishing Bishwa the heartiest congratulations on this remarkable achievement!



**Gratitude for Lamia!**

This quarter, we bid farewell to Lamia Hafiz, Community Lead at Impact Hub Dhaka. Lamia has been an integral part of our team, helping build us Impact Hub Dhaka since our launch in 2020. She has worked hard to nurture and grow our community not just in Bangladesh, but has also diligently supported the Impact Hub regional team for APAC over the years. We wish Lamia all the success and happiness in her future endeavors!



**Join our team:**

We are hiring for an integral roles at Impact Hub Dhaka, so check out our [job descriptions](#) if you are interested to join our dynamic team!

Apply for the role of **Associate, Consulting Services**. If you believe social entrepreneurship is a tool for sustainable development. If you are a master at managing projects and people, and want to create lasting solutions for a stronger ecosystem, we want you to join our team of thinkers & doers!



We welcome candidates from diverse backgrounds. If you are interested to apply, send your resume and cover letter to [dhaka@impacthub.net](mailto:dhaka@impacthub.net) immediately as we are reviewing applications on a rolling basis!

**Join our Growing Community at Impact Hub Dhaka!**

Are you ready to be part of an energetic and collaborative community? Look no further! Become a Member at Impact Hub Dhaka and unlock endless opportunities for collaboration, connection, and idea-sharing.

**What We Offer**

- Furnished Office Spaces:** Embrace a hassle-free setup in our fully furnished office spaces, designed to inspire productivity and creativity.
- Meeting Spaces for Rent:** Host productive meetings and brainstorming sessions in our well-equipped meeting spaces.
- Shooting Space:** Need a professional setup for your video or photo shoots? Our shooting space is equipped to meet your creative needs.
- Coworking Setup:** Join a vibrant community of like-minded individuals in our co-working spaces, fostering meaningful connections and collaborations.
- Event Space:** Whether it's workshops, seminars, or networking events, our dynamic event space is perfect for hosting engaging and impactful gatherings.

**Discover Your Perfect Space Today!** Visit our [website](#) to explore our spaces and find the perfect fit for your needs. Don't miss out on the chance to be part of a thriving community where connections are made, ideas flourish, and impact is created. Join us at Impact Hub Dhaka and let's make a difference together!

To book a tour of the space, reach out to us at [dhaka@impacthub.net](mailto:dhaka@impacthub.net) or [+880 1760598403](tel:+8801760598403)