

Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Name of Cross-Party Group
Cross-Party Group on Bangladesh
Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Please state the purpose of the Group.2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.3. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.
<p>To promote and enhance understanding between Scotland and Bangladesh at cultural, social, academic, political and economic levels. Develop contact with the Bangladesh Parliament and other institutions including the Bangladesh consulate in Edinburgh and the Embassy in London. It will also be advancing mutual interests of Scotland and Bangladesh and represent the interest of people/organisations with Bangladesh background living and working in Scotland and act as a forum for the Community living in Scotland. To build a relationship with the All-Party Group on Bangladesh in the House of Commons and work on research and development for the growing Bangladeshi community in Scotland. The CPG would be a new Group focused on Bangladesh and would not overlap any current CPGs. Areas of topics will include investment/trade, tourism, travel, environment and education.</p>
MSP Members of the Group <p>Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.</p>
Foysof Choudhury MSP Miles Briggs MSP

Sarah Boyack MSP

Evelyn Tweed MSP

Mercedes Villaba MSP

Alex Cole-Hamilton MSP

Non-MSP Members of the Group

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals

Organisations

Edinburgh & Lothians Regional Equality Council (ELREC)

Bangladesh Association Glasgow

Bangladesh Samity Edinburgh

Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce

Edinburgh City Council

Police Scotland

Central Scotland Racial Equality Council

Bangladesh High Commission

Central Scotland Regional Equality Council

Grampian Regional Equality Council

West of Scotland Regional Equality Council

East Lothian Council

Midlothian Council

West Lothian Council

Lothian and Borders Police

Lothian and Borders Fire and Rescue Service

NHS Lothian

Bangladesh Catering Association Scotland

	Edinburgh University South Asian Students Association - SASA
<p>Group Office Bearers</p> <p>Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.</p>	
Convener	Foyso Choudhury MSP
Deputy Convener	Miles Briggs MSP
Secretary	Moumita Zeenat First Secretary Bangladesh High Commission in London
Treasurer	NONE
<p>Financial Benefits or Other Benefits</p> <p>Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly or cumulatively, of more than £500. This includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.</p>	
NONE	
<p>Subscription Charged by the Group</p> <p>Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.</p>	
NONE	
<p>Convener Contact Details</p>	
Name	Foyso Choudhury MSP

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Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct	
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I declare that the Cross-Party Group on Bangladesh is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.	
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Signed	Foysof Choudhury MSP
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Date	12/01/22
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