



Public Lecture
on
“Bangladesh and United Kingdom Relations in the context of UK’s exit from the European Union”

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Press Release

Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BIISS) organised a public lecture on **“Bangladesh and United Kingdom Relations in the context of UK’s exit from the European Union”** on 24 April 2019 at BIISS auditorium. H E Sir Simon McDonald, Permanent Under Secretary of British Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) was present as the Guest Speaker. Major General A K M Abdur Rahman, ndc, psc, Director General, BIISS, delivered the Welcome Address.

In his address, Major General A K M Abdur Rahman highlighted on the long standing relationship between Bangladesh and United Kingdom. He mentioned that the UK, for long, has been one of the largest development partners of Bangladesh and It also remains the country’s largest foreign investor. In his speech, H E Sir Simon McDonald mentioned that the United Kingdom is looking for strengthened relations with the Commonwealth countries and for sharing opportunities with Bangladesh. He added that the UK is investing in different sectors of Bangladesh including retail, banking, energy, infrastructure, consultancy and education

The programme included a lively open discussion where Senior officials from different ministries of Bangladesh, representatives from different foreign missions, business personalities, media, academia, researchers, teachers from various universities participated and expressed their valuable opinions and observations on the subject. They expected a strongly bonded relationship between Bangladesh and UK in the field of development and mutual cooperation.