

ICBA Seminar

Financial Inclusion through Co-operative Banking “Various Forms & Comparative Advantages”

01 September 2010, Beijing, China
08:30.am to 4.pm



*This year the ICBA seminar will focus on an essential aspect of co-operative banks role in social development: **financial inclusion**.*

*The cooperative banks, by their scales, their forms and their national structures are diverse and various. But we share common values and a specific model that make us **the real economy bankers**.*

***Profits making but not profit oriented**, cooperative banks serve the community general interests.*

*This ability **to reconcile economic and social goals** and our **customer’s owned structure** are substantial added values for a sustainable answer to financial exclusion*

This seminar will be the opportunity for us to exchange on the multiplicity of our models and their comparative advantages for financial inclusion.

Draft program:

09am to 1pm

Special Presentation on **Global Networking of Co-operative Banks**

Speakers (to be confirmed):

- * Bernard Huberdeau, General Secretary of the International Confederation of Cooperative Banks (CIBP)
- * Representatives from the International Raiffeisen Union

Financial Inclusion through Co-operative Banking

Presentations on Co-op Banking Models in Iran, New Zealand, India and Japan

1pm – 2pm: Lunch Break

2pm to 3.30pm:

Various Forms of Co-op Banking & Comparative Advantages

Key Presentation on Thrift & Credit Co-ops in India, Bangladesh Micro Finance Co-operatives and Islamic Banking Model from Indonesia.

3.30pm to 4pm Closing: Conclusion of the seminar by the ICBA Chairman