

SOUTHERN VOICE ON POST-MDG INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Dialogue on

DECONSTRUCTING SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION: A SOUTH ASIAN PERSPECTIVE

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AMALTAS HALL, INDIA HABITAT CENTRE, NEW DELHI

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09:00 am-09:30 am	Welcome and Introduction Shekhar Shah, <i>NCAER</i> and Debapriya Bhattacharya, <i>Southern Voice/CPD</i>
	Opening Remarks Sujata Mehta, <i>Secretary (ER&DPA), Ministry of External Affairs, India</i>
09:30 am-11:00 am	Session 1. The framework for South-South Cooperation, modalities and experience A Resource Paper prepared by CPD Dhaka will kick off this session, covering the conceptual framework for South-South Cooperation (SSC), its underlying principles and potential, and the challenges of implementation. The paper will illustrate its ideas with a case study of Bangladesh, followed by expert comments and an open discussion. Chair: Shekhar Shah, <i>NCAER, New Delhi</i> Presenter: Fahmida Khatun, <i>CPD, Dhaka</i> Discussants: Saman Kelegama, <i>IPS, Colombo</i> Sachin Chaturvedi, <i>RIS, New Delhi</i> Open discussion
11:00 am - 11:30 am	Refreshments
11:30 am-1:00 pm	Session 2. The South Asian Experience with South-South Cooperation Case studies from South Asia will allow further exploration of the SSC experience and whether our existing frameworks for SSC can help build and support such cooperation in this region. Case studies will include Afghanistan, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. Chair: Mustafizur Rahman, <i>CPD, Dhaka</i> Presenters: Engineer Abdul Jabbar, <i>SDPI, Islamabad</i> Rajesh Chadha, <i>NCAER, New Delhi</i> M. Ashraf Haidari, <i>Afghanistan Embassy, New Delhi</i> Posh Raj Pandey, <i>SAWTEE, Kathmandu</i> Saman Kelegama, <i>IPS, Colombo</i> Open discussion
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Lunch

2:00 pm-3:30 pm

Session 3. Role of South-South Cooperation in the Post-2015 International Development Agenda

Does the new post-2015 development agenda offer opportunities to redefine the role of SSC and render it much more effective? What is distinctive about SSC and ODA and how best can they complement each other? What are the lessons of SSC in South Asia that can help inform the emerging post-2015 architecture? This session will seek to understand how the post-MDG agenda can be supported through SSC and what the associated challenges are.

Chair: Posh Raj Pandey, *SAWTEE, Kathmandu*

Opening remarks: Shyam Saran, *RIS, New Delhi (by video)*

Panelists: Lise Grande, *UNDP, New Delhi*

Nagesh Kumar, *ESCAP, New Delhi*

Open discussion

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Refreshments

4:00 pm-5:30 pm

Session 4. Integrating South-South Cooperation into the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation (GPEDC)

How should SSC-related issues be integrated into the discussions of the first High-Level Meeting of the GPEDC in Mexico City on April 15-16, 2014? How can the emerging post-2015 international architecture incorporate the challenges of SSC? This session will discuss and help prepare a summary of the issues discussed in the Delhi Dialogue as an input into the forthcoming High-Level Meeting of the GPEDC.

Chair: Debapriya Bhattacharya, *Southern Voice/CPD*

Keynote remarks: Jaime Nualart, *Mexican Ambassador to India, New Delhi*

Panelists: Mustafizur Rahman, *CPD, Dhaka*

Rani D. Mullen, *CPR, New Delhi*

Open discussion

5:30 pm

High tea

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