

## South Asian Stakeholders Consultation on Participatory Approaches to South Asian Regional Integration and Connectivity

Friday, April 12, 2013  
New Delhi, India

### Programme

<b>1000 - 1030</b>	<b>Opening</b>
	<p><b>Welcome Remarks</b> Pradeep S. Mehta, Secretary General, CUTS International Gopal Menon, Country Manager, India and South Asia Regional Programs, The Australian Agency for International Development, New Delhi</p> <p><b>Opening Remarks</b> Lise Grande, UN Resident Coordinator and Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Programme</p>
<b>1030- 1045</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>
<b>1045 - 1300</b>	<b>Program on South Asia Regional Integration</b>
	<p><b>Chair</b> Saman Kelegama, Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka</p> <p><b>Presentations</b> Sabrina Varma, Trade Advisor, Economic Section, The Australian Agency for International Development, Canberra</p> <p><b>Discussants</b> Bipul Chatterjee, Deputy Executive Director, CUTS International Shirin Akter, KarmojibiNari, Bangladesh Nadeem Iqbal, Executive Coordinator, The Network for Consumer Protection, Pakistan Biplove Chaudhuri, Programme Specialist, United Nations Development Programme, Asia-Pacific Regional Centre, Bangkok</p>
<b>1300 - 1400</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1400 - 1600</b>	<b>Group Discussion on Civil Society Interventions</b>
	<p><b>Group Leaders</b> Mahfuz Kabir, Senior Research Fellow, Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies Sajal Mathur, Professor, Centre for WTO Studies, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi Dhrubesh Chandra Regmi, Programme Director, South Asia Watch On Trade, Economics and Environment, Nepal Vaqar Ahmed, Deputy Executive Director, Sustainable Development Policy Institute, Pakistan Mala Liyanage, Executive Director, Law &amp; Society Trust, Sri Lanka</p>
<b>1600 - 1615</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>

<b>1615 - 1730</b>	<b>Presentation by Group Leaders</b>
	<p><b>Co-Chair</b>  Tuhin Sen, Lead Strategist, Global Development Network, New Delhi  Karma, Chief Executive Officer, SAARC Development Fund, Bhutan</p>
<b>1730 - 1830</b>	<b>Closing</b>
	<p><b>Chair</b>  Ambassador Humayun Kabir, Vice President, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute</p> <p><b>Rapporteurs</b>  Pankaj Pandey, Senior Programme Manager, South Asia Association for Regional Cooperation Information Centre, Nepal  Moana Bhagabati, Fellow, Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, India  Purushottam Ojha, Senior Consultant, South Asia Watch on Trade, Economics and Environment, Nepal</p> <p><b>Concluding Remarks</b>  Nagesh Kumar, Director and Chief Economist, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific</p> <p><b>Closing Remarks &amp; Vote of Thanks</b>  Sabrina Varma, Trade and Economic Advisor, South Asia, The Australian Agency for International Development, Canberra  Bipul Chatterjee, Deputy Executive Director, CUTS International</p>