

3<sup>rd</sup> Focused Expert Group Meeting between Clientele Group,  
Financial Intermediaries and Apex Financial Regulators

to address

**“Lack of Reliable and Fast Payment Options to Facilitate Trade Transactions in South Asia”**

**Saturday, 24th May 2014**

Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)

Federation House, 3rd Floor Banquet Hall, New Delhi

**Programme**

09:30-10:00	<b>REGISTRATION</b>
10:00-10:30	<p><b><u>WELCOME REMARKS</u></b>  <b>Bipul Chatterjee</b>, Deputy Executive Director, Centre for International Trade, Economics &amp; Environment, CUTS International  <b>Allen Choate</b>, Acting Country Representative, The Asia Foundation, New Delhi*  <b>Goutam Ghosh</b>, Director &amp; Head, South Asia &amp; Arab Regions, Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry</p> <p><b><u>SPECIAL ADDRESS</u></b>  <b>Muhammad Iqbal Tabish</b>, Secretary General, SAARC Chamber of Commerce and Industry</p>
10:30-10:45	<b>BREAK FOR TEA/COFFEE</b>
10:45-12:45	<p>SESSION: POLICY AND PROCEDURAL REFORMS NEEDED TO ENHANCE TRADE RELATED BANKING INFRASTRUCTURE IN SOUTH ASIA</p> <p><b>Chair: Muhammad Iqbal Tabish</b>, Secretary General, SAARC Chamber of Commerce and Industry  <b>L. Savithri</b>, Director (Economic, Trade and Finance Division), SAARC Secretariat</p> <p><b>Key recommendations by the Industry Leaders, Apex Chambers of Commerce &amp; Financial Intermediaries: Joseph George</b>, Policy Analyst, Centre for International Trade, Economics &amp; Environment, CUTS International</p> <p><b>Designated Discussants</b>  <b>David L. Sinate</b>, Chief General Manager Export-Import Bank of India*  <b>Goutam Ghosh</b>, Director &amp; Head, South Asia &amp; Arab Regions, Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry  <b>Vaqar Ahmed</b>, Deputy Executive Director, Sustainable Development Policy Institute, Islamabad, Pakistan*  <b>Rehmatullah Javed</b>, Chairman, Grand Group-Pakistan, SME National Committee FPCCI, SAARC Business Promotion Committee-LCCI; Vice Chairman, Trade Facilitation Council – SAARC and Former Secretary General SAARC CCI  <b>Manzur Ahmed</b>, Advisor, Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce &amp; Industry  <b>Somi Hazari</b>, Managing Director, Shosova Group of companies; Board Member, Southern India Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Former President, India ASEAN Sri Lanka Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry  <b>Majyd Aziz</b>, Chairman, Board of Directors, SME Bank Limited, Pakistan &amp; Former President Karachi Chamber of Commerce and Industry</p> <p>SUBMISSION OF THE MEMORANDUM TO THE SAARC SECRETARIAT AND SAARC CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY/GROUP PHOTO</p>
12:45-13:00	<p><b><u>KEY NOTE CLOSING ADDRESS</u></b>  <b>L. Savithri</b>, Director (Economic, Trade and Finance Division), SAARC Secretariat</p>
13:00	<b>LUNCH</b>

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