

INDIA SIDE EVENT

Date: 21 September, 2015

Venue: Conference Room 5,
United Nations Headquarters,
New York

Time: 15:00-18:00

**Light lunch will be served
outside CR-5 starting at 14:00**



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Consultation on The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Southern Perspectives

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development with 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and 169 targets framed by the UN promises to connect 5 Ps – People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace and Partnership. The SDGs are universal, integrated and interlinked, and pledges to leave no one behind. While implementation of the SDGs rests with individual countries, the developing world must have access to adequate resources. In this light, the inaugural panel would explore why fulfilment of objectives under this agenda may be critically hinged on successful North-South Partnership and South-South Cooperation.

The main challenges for the South over the next 15 years are: resource, capacity and technology. Global governance architecture on economy, technology, and environment, therefore, will have to comprehensively facilitate and support implementation of the agenda across countries. Means of Implementation (MOI), an integral part of the agenda, address issues of finance, technology, capacity building, trade and systemic issues internationally. The second panel would discuss why multilateral institutions would have to accommodate the rise of emerging powers and aspirations of the developing world to make the delivery of this agenda effective on all the counts.

15:00-16:00 Inaugural Session

2030 Agenda: What it means for developing countries?

Welcome Remarks: **Dr. Sabyasachi Saha**, Assistant Professor, Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), New Delhi

Opening Remarks:

- **Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi**, Director-General, RIS, New Delhi
- **Amb Asoke Kumar Mukerji**, Permanent Representative of India to the UN

Keynote Address:

- **Prof. Arvind Panagariya**, Vice-Chairman, NITI Aayog, Government of India

Special Address:

- **Ms. Helen Clark**, Administrator, UNDP

Panellists:

- **Prof. Carlos Correa**, The South Centre, Geneva
- **Ms. Sarah F. Cliffe**, Director, Centre on Int. Cooperation (CIC), NYU*
- **Mr. Yuri Afanasiev**, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in India
- **Ms. Minh-Thu Pham**, Senior Policy Director, UN Foundation

Q&A and Open Discussion

16:00-17:30: Panel Discussion

2030 Agenda: Challenges and opportunities for a Rising South

Moderator: **Mr. Amitabh Behar**, Executive Director, National Foundation for India

Panellists:

- **Prof. Sanjay Reddy**, The New School for Social Research, New York
- **Amb Carlos Sergio Sobral Duarte**, DPR Brazil*
- **Dr. Samir Saran**, Vice-President, Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi
- **Dr. Sarah Hearn**, Associate Director, Centre on International Cooperation (CIC), New York University
- **Dr. WPS Sidhu**, Senior Fellow, Brookings India, New Delhi

Q&A and Open Discussion

Closing Remarks: **Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi**, DG, RIS

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