



Policy Dialogue on Regional Cooperation, Inclusive Development and Nepal's LDC Graduation Strategy

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National Planning Commission, Government of Nepal
The Nepal Economic Association
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TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

Monday, 30 September 2013

08:30 – 09:30 hrs **Registration**

09:30 – 10:30 hrs **Inaugural Session**

Opening remarks

Mr. Yuba Raj Bhusal, Member Secretary , National Planning Commission of Nepal

Dr. Nagesh Kumar, Director, ESCAP South and South West Asia Office and ESCAP Chief Economist

Prof. Biswambher Pyakuryal, President, Nepal Economic Association

Keynote Address by Hon'ble Dr. Rabindra Kumar Shakya, Vice-chairman, National Planning Commission, Nepal

Inaugural Address: Hon'ble Mr. Shanker Prasad Koirala, Finance Minister of Nepal (tbc)

Vote of thanks: Mr. Puspa Lal Shakya, Joint Secretary, NPC

10:30 – 11:00 hrs **Group Photo and Coffee Break**

11:00 – 13:00 hrs **Session 1**

Regional Cooperation and Inclusive Development in South Asia: perspective on the Post-2015 Development Agenda

This session will present the latest trends and prospects in inclusive development approach, MDG achievements in South Asia and the perspectives on post-2015 development agenda, including the role of regional cooperation in closing the development gaps.

Chair: Dr Yubaraj Khatiwada, Governor, Nepal Rastra Bank

Presenters:

1. **Dr. Nagesh Kumar**, Director, ESCAP SSWA Office
2. **Prof. Dr Bishwambher Pyakuryal**, President, NEA
3. **Dr Bhavani Dhungana**, Vice-President, NEA
4. **Mr Dhan Bahadur Oli**, Director, SAARC Secretariat
5. **Dr. Bina Pradhan**, Gender Expert (tbc)

Open discussion

13:00 – 14:00 hrs

Lunch break

14:00 – 15:30 hrs

Session 2**Achieving food security and reducing hunger in South Asia**

The incidence of hunger continues to be very high in the region. With continuous pressure on food and fuel prices, this situation is likely to become more severe with grave implications for inclusive development. In particular, the LDCs in the region face some very difficult challenges in reducing in hunger and achieving food security. This session will discuss some of these challenges and explore policy options that can be followed to reduce food insecurity and hunger.

Chair: tba**Presenters:**

1. **Mr Matthew Hammill**, UNESCAP-SSWA
2. **SAARC Secretariat** (tba)
3. **Dr Posh Raj Pandey**, Executive Chairman, SAWTEE
4. **Dr Krishna Prasad Pant**, FAO (tbc)

Discussant: **Dr Ramesh Kanta Adhikari**, Institute of Medicine

Open discussion

15:30 – 15:45 hrs

Coffee Break

15:45 – 17:15 hrs

Session 3**Nepal's Strategy to Graduate from LDCs Status by 2022: Challenges and Prospects**

The main objective of this session is to focus on the key challenges and opportunities to be faced by Nepal during the graduation process. This session will also review the policy options which the Nepal can pursue with a special focus on growth prospects and human assets index.

Chair: Mr. Yuba Raj Bhusal, Member Secretary , National Planning Commission of Nepal

Presenters:

1. **NPC, Nepal** (tba)
2. **Prof. Dr Pushkar Bajracharya**
3. **Ministry of Finance, GoN**
4. **Dr Arjun Karki**, LDC Watch

Discussant: **Dr Ratnakar Adhikari**, Chief Executive Director, SAWTEE and Executive Director designate EIF Secretariat, Geneva

Open discussion

17:15 – 18:00 hrs

Closing Session

- Presentation of the key messages and policy options
- Closing remarks by ESCAP
- Closing remarks by NPC

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