

SOUTH ASIA: ENVIRONMENT AND HUMAN SECURITY

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

2nd to 3rd October 2008

Visions Theatre, National Museum of Australia, Canberra

Thursday 2 Oct	SOUTH ASIA UPDATE
09.00 – 09.30	Registration
9.30 – 9.45	<i>Opening Speech:</i> Bruce Davis, Director General, AusAID
09.45 – 10:45	<u>Development Challenges In South Asia 1</u>
09.45 – 10.05	Nadeem Ul Haque, Division Chief, Asian Region, IMF Institute, Washington DC
10.05 – 10.25	Govinda Rao, Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, Delhi, India
10.25 – 10.45	Discussion Moderator: Peter McCawley, ANU
10:45 – 11.15	Morning Tea – Peninsula Function Area
11.15 – 12.15	<u>Development Challenges In South Asia cont.</u>
11.15 – 11.35	Achyut Wagle, Political Analyst/Journalist, Nepal
11.35 – 11.55	Imran Ali, LUMS, Lahore, Pakistan
11.55 – 12.15	Discussion Moderator: Louise Edwards, University of Technology, Sydney
12.15 - 13.30	Lunch - Peninsula Function Area
13.30 – 15.00	<u>Development Challenges In South Asia cont.</u>
13.30 – 13.50	Zafar Sobhan, Assistant Editor, Daily Star, Dhaka, Bangladesh
13.50 – 14.10	Dushni Weerakoon, Deputy Director, Institute of Policy Studies, Sri Lanka
14.10 – 14.30	Discussion
14.30 – 15.00	Discussion on general and emerging issues and themes for South Asia Moderator: Marika Vicziany, Monash University
15.00 – 15.30	Afternoon tea - Peninsula Function Area
15.30 – 16.15	<u>Issues and Implications For Australian Aid</u>
15.30 – 16.00	Brian Dawson, Director, Adapt and Clean Development Section – <i>Climate change – Implications for AusAID program development</i>
16.00 - 16.15	Discussion Moderator: Anu Rammohan, University of Sydney
18.30	Dinner – for speakers and invited guests only

Friday 3 Oct	CLIMATE CHANGE AND HUMAN SECURITY
09:00 – 09:30	Registration
09.30 – 11:00	Implications for food and water
9.30 – 9.50	Stephen Howes, Professorial Fellow, ANU : <i>Implications of Climate Change for South Asia</i>
9.50 – 10.10	Mark Rosegrant, Division Director, International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington DC: <i>Global Impacts of Climate Change on Water, Agriculture and Food, and Implications for South Asia</i>
10.10 – 10.30	Jayatilleke S Bandara, Griffith University: <i>Impact of Rising Global Food Prices and Policy Responses in South Asia</i>
10.30 - 11.00	Discussion Moderator: Raghav Jha, ANU
11:00 – 11:30	Morning Tea - Peninsula Function Area
11:30 – 12:30	Environment and Human security
11.30 – 11.50	Mahabub Hossain, Executive Director, BRAC, Bangladesh : <i>Rising Sea Levels and Natural Disasters</i>
11.50 – 12.10	Andreas Schild, Director General, Integrated Centre for International Mountain Development (ICIMOD), Nepal: <i>Glacial lake outbursts and its impacts on human security in South Asian countries</i>
12.10 - 12.30	Discussion Moderator: Stephen Howes, ANU
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch - Peninsula Function Area
13.30 – 15:00	Perspectives from the multilateral development banks
13.30 – 13.50	Richard Damania, Lead Environmental Economist, World Bank: <i>South Asia: The Challenge of Growth under Climate Constraints</i>
13.50 – 14.10	Kunio Senga, Director General, South Asia Department, ADB: <i>South Asia's 'Long March' to Prosperity: The Challenges of Poverty and Climate Change</i>
14.10 - 14.50	Roundtable Discussion Moderator: Nadeem Ul Haque, IMF Institute
14.50 – 15:00	Closing remarks