

INDIA SIDE EVENT

Date: 22 September 2015

Venue: Gural Conference Room,
New York University Midtown
Center (4th floor)
11 West 42nd Street,
New York

Time: 09:30-13:00



Consultation on Institutional Architecture and Development & Access to Technology

The SDGs represent a radical shift from the MDGs, evident in Sustainable Development Goals 16 and 17. Goal 16 under the SDGs focuses on peace and justice. Goal 17 calls for revitalising global partnership for development. These goals offer Southern players a chance to clarify their roles and ambitions in the global system. The panel would deliberate on the legitimacy of wider global participation in multilateral institutions and necessity of enhanced provision of global public goods to fulfil the SDGs. It would also focus on how Southern institutions can support the resource needs of the developing world and shape the outcome of the Post 2015 agenda.

Current institutional arrangements are insufficient to deliver immediate and urgent technology development, deployment, dissemination, and transfer to developing countries. There are barriers like IP rights and lack of capacity to absorb technology. The Addis Ababa Action Agenda documents final decision on part of world leaders to establish a technology facilitation mechanism (TFM) under the Post 2015 Development Agenda. UN system is now working on giving life to this proposal. This panel would explore the possible framework under TFM to institutionalize commitments by countries on access to technology and technology transfer, capacity building and financing of innovation at the global level.

09.30-11.00 Session I

Institutional Architecture and Development

Moderator:

- **Dr. W.P.S. Sidhu**, Senior Fellow, Brookings India and Non-Resident Fellow at Centre on International Cooperation (CIC), New York University

Panellists:

- **Dr. Thomas Fues**, German Development Institute
- **Dr. Sarah Hearn**, Associate Director, Centre on International Cooperation (CIC), New York University
- **Dr. Renata Giannini**, Senior Researcher, Instituto Igarapé, Brazil
- **Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi**, Director-General, Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), India

11.00-11.30: Tea

11.30-13.00 Session II

Institutionalising TFM: IP and Access to Technology

Chair: TBA

Panellists:

- **Mr. Amit Narang**, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of India to the UN
- **Dr. David O'Connor**, UN-DESA
- **Prof. Calestous Juma**, Harvard University*
- **Prof. Carlos Correa**, The South Centre, Geneva
- **Mr. Pedro Conceicao**, Director of Strategic Policy in the Bureau of Policy Program Support (UNDP/HQ)*

13.00-14.30: Lunch

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