

**SIDE EVENT: INSTITUTIONALISATION OF SOUTH-SOUTH AND TRIANGULAR COOPERATION IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION**

**UN Office for South-South Cooperation (Asia-Pacific),  
The Asia Foundation,  
Korea Development Institute (KDI)**

**Antalya Turkey**  
*Venue: Titanic Hotel Belek,  
Adriatic Room 2, Floor L*

28 November 13.30 – 17.00 hrs.

**AGENDA**

Time	Event	Speakers	Note
13:30 - 13:50	<p><b>Opening</b></p> <p>What is institutionalization and what are the challenges faced by most countries.</p> <p>Overview of South-South Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific Region.</p>	<p>Moderator: Ms. Anthea Mulakala Director of International Development Cooperation, The Asia Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNOSSC: Mr. Denis Nkala, Regional Coordinator for Asia-Pacific</li> <li>• PIDF: Mr. Francois Martel, Secretary-General of the Pacific Island Development Forum</li> <li>• UNESCAP: Maria Misovicova, Strategic Partnerships and Resource Mobilization, Strategy and Programme Management Division</li> <li>• KDI: Professor Taejong Kim, KDI School of Public Policy and Management</li> </ul>	Maximum 5 minutes each
13:50 - 15:00	<p><b>Session 1: Policy, strategy and Status towards Institutionalisation of South- South Cooperation in developing countries.</b></p> <p>Brief presentations and panel discussions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ What is the national strategy for scaling up South-South Cooperation?</li> <li>❖ Is there a national policy, legal framework, strategy, focal point, programming tools e.g. manual?</li> <li>❖ Identify two or three challenges to scaling up SSC.</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Moderator: Mr. Denis Nkala, UNOSSC Regional Coordinator for Asia-Pacific</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lao PDR: Mr. Asoka Rasphone, Director of the UN Socio-Economic Affairs Division, International Organization Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs</li> <li>• Vanuatu: Mr. Emmanuel Blessing, Chargé d' Affaires, Republic of Vanuatu High Commission, Suva</li> <li>• Bhutan: Mrs. Dechen Choden, Sr. Industries Officer, Department of Industry, Ministry of Economic Affairs</li> <li>• Bangladesh: Mr. Mirza Mohammad Ali Reza, Senior Assistant Secretary, Industry and Energy Division, Ministry of Planning</li> </ul>	<p>Presentations of 7 minutes each.</p> <p>10 minutes for discussion</p>

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15:00 - 15:15		<b>Break</b>	
15:15 - 16:15	<p><b>Session 2: Asian civil society in Asian South-South and development cooperation.</b></p> <p>The role of non-state actors in Asian led development cooperation has been less discussed in comparison to government strategies. However Asian providers have vibrant civil societies who are expanding their sphere of influence and practice into development cooperation.</p> <p>This session will discuss the role Asian CSOs have played in lobbying and influencing government policy on south-south and development cooperation, their activities and impacts in partner countries, as well as how Asian civil society is contributing to the governance and accountability of development cooperation nationally and internationally.</p>	<p>Moderator: Ms. Anthea Mulakala Director of International Development Cooperation, The Asia Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Wang Xingzui, Executive Vice President, China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation</li> <li>• Ms. Supriya Roychoudhury, Independent Researcher and Adviser: International Development Cooperation, India</li> <li>• Ms. Hyun Jung Park, Program Manager, Korea NGO Council for Overseas Development Cooperation</li> </ul>	<p>3 panelists, facilitated discussion on key questions posed by moderator</p> <p>15 minutes for discussion</p>
16:15 - 17:00	<p><b>Session 3: Leadership Round Table on Way Forward:</b></p> <p>Effecting lessons learnt for Institutionalisation and innovation in South-South and triangular cooperation</p> <p>Based on the issues and challenges raised in Sessions 1 and 2, each speaker will have selected one subject to discuss on how they have met these challenges in the past.</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Co-moderators: Mr. Denis Nkala, UNOSSC Regional Coordinator for Asia-Pacific Ms. Anthea Mulakala, Director of International Development Cooperation, Asia Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fiji: Ms. Litia Mawi, Roving Ambassador/High Commissioner to Pacific Island Countries, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Suva</li> <li>• Thailand: Mr. Paisan Rupanichkij, Deputy Director-General, Thailand International Cooperation Agency, Ministry of Foreign Affairs</li> <li>• China: Zhou Taidong, Head, Global Development Division, Center for International Knowledge on Development, China</li> <li>• Japan: Mr. Ryutaro Murotani, Director Deputy Head, Office for Global Issues and Development Partnership Operations Strategy Department, JICA</li> </ul>	<p>5 speakers 5 minutes each</p> <p>15 minutes for discussion</p>