Panel: Regional Cooperation in Light of the Paris Climate Agreement

The panel is being organized in the aftermath of the Track II dialogue on climate change, disaster management and sustainable energy, which took place in India in May 2016. Moreover, the panel will seek to highlight the global progress in terms of the coming into force of the Paris Agreement on climate change.

As part of this initiative, researchers from India and Pakistan will pair up to draft policy briefs around the following areas:

- Enhancing water security
- Climate change and social resilience
- Mitigating climate induced disasters

The recommendations from these policy briefs will be presented at the panel, which aims to highlight concrete steps in order to promote cooperation over common issues across border and jointly find solutions. It is envisioned that fostering cooperation between India and Pakistan will have positive impacts on development in the region.

Key Objectives:

- To encourage cross-sharing of ideas, perspectives and views across the two countries by leading experts from India and Pakistan
- To support building of a formal solution-based exchange platform which will showcase realisation of emerging technologies, innovations, and policies that will prove to be vital in the climate change adaptation processes.
- To use the Paris Agreement (2015) and ensuing Conference of Parties (COP22) as an impetus to move forward discussions on a climate resilient future for South Asia.

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