

Panel:

Accelerating SDGs Achievement and Building Back Better from COVID-19 Pandemic in South Asia

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11.30am – 1.00pm (Pakistan Standard Time)

Introduction

This online Panel will bring together the heads of South Asian think-tanks in an interactive session, to share their perspectives in addressing the challenges of COVID-19 and on how regional cooperation can assist the subregion in building back better. The discussions will be followed by Q&A from the participants.

Tentative programme

Moderator: Dr Abid Q Suleri, SDPI, Islamabad, Pakistan

Opening Remarks: Dr Nagesh Kumar, UNESCAP-SSWA, New Delhi, India

Chief Guest: Ms Romina Khurshid, MNA, Member Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs, GoP

Panellists:

- Mr Nazir Kabiri, Executive Director, Biruni Institute, Afghanistan
- Dr Fahmida Khatun, Executive Director, CPD, Bangladesh
- Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, RIS, India
- Dr Posh Raj Pandey, Executive Chairman, SAWTEE, Nepal
- Dr Abid Suleri, Executive Director, SDPI, Pakistan
- Dr Dushni Weerakoon, Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies (IPS), Sri Lanka

Q&A

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