

South Asia Conference on Trade & Development 2006
Multilateralism at Crossroads: Reaffirming Development Priorities

19-20 December 2006, New Delhi

AGENDA

Day 1

Time	Activity
0900 – 0945	Registration
0945 – 1105	Session I – Inauguration
0945 – 0950	Welcome Address
0950 – 1005	Inaugural Address by the Chief Guest
1005– 1020	Key Note Address
1020-1030	Background to the Release of Centad’s Publications: <i>South Asian Yearbook of Trade and Development 2006</i> and <i>Trade in Services and India: Prospects and Strategies</i>
10:30-10:35	Release of Executive Summary of South Asian Yearbook of Trade and Development 2006
1035– 1045	Key Messages of the <i>South Asian Yearbook of Trade and Development 2006</i>
1045-10-50	Release of Trade in Services and India: Prospects and Strategies
1050 – 1100	Key Messages of <i>Trade in Services and India: Prospects and Strategies</i>
1100 – 1105	Vote of Thanks
1105 – 1125	Tea Break
1125 – 1315	Session II – Beyond the Doha Impasse: Key Issues
1125 – 1135	Introduction by the Chair
1135 – 1150	Agriculture
1150 – 1205	NAMA
1205 – 1220	Concerns of LDCs
1220 – 1315	Floor Discussion
1315 – 1400	Lunch Break
	Session III – Regionalism in South Asia: Opportunities and Threats
1400 – 1530	Introduction by the Chair
1400 – 1410	Introduction by the Chair
1410 – 1425	Operationalising SAFTA: Issues & Concerns
1425 – 1440	Concerns of LDCs in RTAs
1440 – 1455	Future of Regionalism in South Asia
1455 – 1530	Floor Discussion
1530 – 1545	Tea Break
	Session IV – Trade in Services: Scope for Convergence
1545 – 1700	Chair
1545 – 1555	Chair
1555 – 1610	India’s Services Revolution: Implications for South Asian Countries
1610 – 1625	Emergency Safeguard Measures: Feasibility & Desirability
1625-1640	Trade in Services: Can LDCs Catch Up?
1640 – 1715	Floor Discussion

Day 2

0945 -1115	Session V – Rules Negotiations & South Asian Interests
0945–0955	Introduction by the Chair
0955- 1010	Rules Negotiations at the WTO: State of Play
1010–1025	Antidumping: Legal Issues
1025–1040	Rules of Origin: Need for Harmonisation
1040–1055	DSU: The Reform Agenda
1055–1115	Floor Discussion
1115–1130	Tea Break
1130-1300	Session VI –Trade Liberalisation: Issues & Concerns
1130–1140	Introduction by the Chair
1140–1155	Building Trade Safety Nets in Agriculture
1155–1210	Aid for Trade: Realising the Gains
1210–1225	SPS & TBT: Bridging the Divide
1225–1240	Special Economic Zones: Need for Disciplining
1240–1300	Floor Discussion
1300–1400	Lunch Break
1400–1500	Session VII – Trade Linkages: Looking Beyond Mainstream Debates
1400–1415	Introduction by the Chair
1415–1430	Trade and Environment: Need for Convergence
1430–1445	MDGs: What Role can Trade Play?
1445–1500	Floor Discussion
1500–1700	Session VIII - Valedictory Session
1500–1515	Introduction by the Chair
1515–1530	Deepening South-South Trade: Problems & Prospects
1530–1545	Global Trade Justice: The Way Forward
1545–1600	The Doha Development Agenda: What Lies Ahead
1600-1625	Floor Discussion
1625–1640	Felicitation of Researchers of the <i>South Asian Yearbook of Trade and Development 2006</i>
1640-1655	Felicitation of Researchers of <i>Trade in Services and India: Prospects and Strategies</i>
1655-1700	Vote of Thanks