

International Conference on
JOBS FOR DEVELOPMENT: CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS
1-2 December 2014, Gulmohar Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

1st December 2014 (Monday)

10:00 hours Registration

INAUGURAL SESSION

- 10:30 *Welcome remarks by Director*
Dr Rajat Kathuria
Director & Chief Executive, ICRIER, New Delhi
- 10:45 *Welcome remarks by Chairperson*
Dr Isher Judge Ahluwalia
Chairperson, Board of Governors, ICRIER
- 11:00 *Opening remarks*
Dr Martin Rama
Chief Economist, The World Bank, New Delhi
- 11:15 *Employment and Entrepreneurship for Development*
Mr Manish Sabharwal
Co-Founder and Chairman, TeamLease Services, Bangalore
- 11:45 *Thematic address*
Smt Gauri Kumar
Secretary, Union Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India
- 12:00 *Inaugural address*
Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy (TBC)
Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of Skill Development and
Entrepreneurship and Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Government of India
- 12:30 Q&A
- 13:00 Lunch

SESSION 1: YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

14:00

Chair

Mr Mark Keese

Head, Employment, Analysis and Policy Division, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD, Paris

Presenters

Prof Dr Günther Schmid

Director, Labour Market Policy and Employment, Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung (WZB), Berlin

Dr Niall O'Higgins

Associate Professor of Economics, University of Salerno, Italy

Prof Arup Mitra and Dr Sher Verick

Professor of Economics, Institute for Economic Growth (IEG), New Delhi; and Senior Employment Specialist, ILO Decent Work Team for South Asia, New Delhi

Discussant

Prof Alakh Narayan Sharma

Director, Institute for Human Development (IHD), New Delhi

Q&A

15:45

Tea Break

SESSION 2: GREEN JOBS AND SKILLS

16:00

Chair

Mr Dilip Chenoy (TBC)

Managing Director & CEO, National Skills Development Corporation, New Delhi

Presenters

Dr Alex Bowen

Principal Research Fellow, Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, London School of Economics (LSE)

Dr Vinod Kumar Sharma
Professor, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research (IGIDR), Mumbai

Dr Ritu Mathur
Senior Fellow, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), New Delhi

Discussant

Mr Pramod Bhasin
Chairman, The Skills Academy; Founder, Genpact

Q&A

17:45 High Tea

SPECIAL ADDRESS: JOB CREATION IN INDIA – INTERNATIONAL LESSONS

18:00 *Welcome remarks*

Dr Rajat Kathuria
Director & Chief Executive, ICRIER, New Delhi

18:15 *Special address*

Mr Montek Singh Ahluwalia
Former Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission, New Delhi

19:00 Q&A

19:30 Dinner

2nd December 2014 (Tuesday)

SESSION 3: LABOUR MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT

9:30 hours *Chair*

Mr Peter Bonin
Team Leader, Migration and Development, GIZ, Bonn

Documentary (5 mins) – India to Germany and Back: Reflections on Skilled Labour Migration

Ms Pragya Taneja

Advisor, Migration for Development Programme, Competence in Motion Unit, GIZ, New Delhi

Presenters

Dr Dilip Ratha (*via skype*)

Manager, Migration and Remittances Unit; CEO, Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development (KNOMAD), The World Bank, Washington DC

Dr Bilesha Weeraratne

Research Economist, Institute of Policy Studies (IPS), Colombo

Dr Binod Khadria (*via skype*)

Professor, Zakir Husain Centre for Educational Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi

Discussant

Dr S Irudaya Rajan

Professor, Centre for Development Studies (CDS), Thiruvananthapuram

Q&A

11:15 Tea Break

SESSION 4: JOB DISCRIMINATION

11:30 *Chair*

Prof Zoya Hasan

Former Professor and Dean, School of Social Sciences, JNU, New Delhi

Presenters

Prof Barbara Harriss-White

Senior Research Fellow, Area Studies; Emeritus Professor of Development Studies, University of Oxford

Mr Piotr Lewandowski

Founder and President of the Board, Institute for Structural Research (IBS), Warsaw

Mr Benjamin Stanwix and Ms Karmen Naidoo

Senior Researcher and Researcher, Development Policy Research Unit (DPRU),
University of Cape Town

Discussant

Dr Arup Maharatna
Formerly Professor, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune

Q&A

13:15 Lunch

SESSION 5: SOCIAL PROTECTION AND LABOUR WELFARE

14:30 *Chair*

Dr Martin Rama
Chief Economist, The World Bank, New Delhi

Presenters

Dr Albert Park
Director, Institute for Emerging Market Studies (IEMS); Professor of Economics,
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST), Hong Kong

Dr David A Robalino
Lead Economist, Social Protection and Labor, The World Bank, Washington DC

Prof Dev Nathan
Professor, Institute for Human Development (IHD), New Delhi; Visiting Research
Fellow, Duke University, Durham

Discussant

Mr Helmut Hauschild
Director, Indo-German Social Security Programme, GIZ, New Delhi
Q&A

16:15 Tea Break

PANEL DISCUSSION: LABOUR PRACTICES IN SOUTH ASIA

16:30 *Chair*

Dr Duncan Campbell
Director of Research, ILO, Geneva

Panelists

Bhutan DASHO PEMA WANGDA
Hon'ble Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Human Resources, Royal Government of
Bhutan, Thimphu

Nepal Dr Bandita Sijapati
Research Director, Centre for the Study of Labour and Mobility, Kathmandu

Afghanistan Dr Chona Echavez
Deputy Director, Research, Afghanistan Research and Evaluation Unit (AREU),
Kabul

Sri Lanka Dr Nisha Arunatilake
Research Fellow, IPS, Colombo

India Dr Deb Kusum Das
Reader, Department of Economics, Ramjas College, University of Delhi

Discussant

Dr Edgard Rodriguez
Senior Program Specialist (Supporting Inclusive Growth), International Development
Research Centre (IDRC), Ottawa

Q&A

19:00 *Vote of thanks*

Dr Rajat Kathuria
Director & CE, ICRIER

19:05 Dinner
