

Agenda

09.00 - 09.30 Registration

09.30 – 10.30 Inaugural Session

- Welcome remarks by Dr. Prabir De, Fellow, RIS
- Special remarks by Prof. Fuku Kimura, Chief Economist, ERIA and Keio University, Tokyo
- Remarks by Dr. Ramgopal Agarwala, Distinguished Fellow, RIS
- Opening remarks Mr. B Ramaswamy, Chairman, Infrastructure Sub-Committee CII Southern Region, and President and Head – Infrastructure & Facilities Management, Feedback Infrastructure Services (Pvt.) Ltd.

Release of RIS Study on ASEAN-India Connectivity Report: India Country Study

10.30 – 11.00 Tea / coffee break

11.00-13.00 Working Session I: Comprehensive Asia Development Plan (CADP) and ASEAN-India Connectivity

[In order to deepen the economic integration among East Asian countries, the Economic Research Institute of ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) has conducted a series of research projects to develop a Comprehensive Asia Development Plan (CADP) in response to the request from the East Asia Summit (EAS) Leaders. The CADP provides a grand spatial design for infrastructure development in East Asia, (ii) simulation analyses on the impacts of logistic enhancement to the region, using the Geographical Simulation Model (ERIA/IDE-GSM). Out of these outstanding issues, a study to develop a basic strategy to enhance the ASEAN-India connectivity is selected as one of the sub-project under phase 2 of the CADP. This session will present the Comprehensive Asia Development Plan (CADP) and salient features of emerging architecture of ASEAN-India Connectivity.]

In Chair: Dr. Ramgopal Agarwala, Distinguished Fellow, RIS

Lead presentations:

- Dr. So Umezaki, Senior Research Fellow, IDE-JETRO, Singapore and ERIA, Jakarta
- Dr. Prabir De, Fellow, RIS

Panelists:

- Mr. Adil Zaidi, Associate Director, Ernst & Young, New Delhi
- Dr. M Suresh Babu, Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras, Chennai
- Mr. Muraleemohan M, Asst. General Manager— Business Development, L&T Infrastructure Development Projects Limited, Chennai
- Dr. Nilanjan Banik, Associate Professor, Institute of Financial Management & Research (IFMR), Chennai

Q & A

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.30 Working Session II: ASEAN-India Connectivity: Opportunities for Southern India

[The benefits of better connectivity are plenty for both Southern part of India and ASEAN. Improved connectivity lowers costs and increases reliability. Better connectivity between ASEAN and India can infuse new dynamism in the regional production network. Stronger production network would enhance the trade and investment, and thereby deepen the economic integration process. This session will present plans and proposals of physical connectivity projects between Southern India and ASEAN.]

In Chair: Prof. N S Siddharthan, Honorary Professor, Madras School of Economics, Chennai, and Member, Research Advisory Council, RIS

Lead presentation:

 Mr. Sanjeev Moholkar, Lead Development Specialist, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) India Office, New Delhi

Panelists:

- Mr. B Suresh, President and CEO, Mahindra Consulting Engineers Ltd., Chennai
- Dr. Subash S, Assistant Professor, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras, Chennai
- Dr. Madhuri Saripalle, Assistant Professor, Madras School of Economics (MSE), Chennai

Q & A

15.30 - 15.45 Vote of Tanks

Dr. Prabir De, Fellow, RIS