

SAARC Seminar on Role of Private Sector in Regional Power Trade
26 - 27 September 2013
The Grand, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, India

Wednesday, 25 September 2013	
Guests Arrive in New Delhi, India	
Welcome Dinner and Evening Program	
Thursday, 26 September 2013	
Inaugural Session	
Time	Description
0830 – 0900	Registration
0900 – 0920	Welcome Address: SAARC Vision on Regional Energy Cooperation Mr. Hilal A. Raza, Director, SAARC Energy Centre
0920 – 0940	SAARC Grid: A means to Connect Tajikistan to Singapore Mr. Harry Dhaul, Director General, IPPAI
0940 – 1000	SAARC Cooperation for Regional Development Mr. Salman Zaheer, Programme Director, Regional Integration (South Asia Region) World Bank
1000 – 1020	Keynote Address: Mr. V S Verma, Member and acting Chairman, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission
1020 – 1040	Refreshments, Networking with Govt. and Industry from all the SAARC Nations and Group Photo
Panel Discussion	
1040 – 1140	Transnational Trade for Energy Security of South Asia: Panel discussion of SAARC Nations' High Commissioners in India Ms. Meera Shankar, Former Ambassador of India to USA H E Mr. Shaida Mohammad Abdali, Ambassador of Afghanistan to India H E Mr. Tariq A Karim, High Commissioner of Bangladesh to India H E Mr. Salman Bashir, High Commissioner of Pakistan to India H E Mr. Prasad Kariyawasam, High Commissioner of Sri Lanka to India Moderator: Mr. Maroof Raza, Mentor, Security Watch India
Session – I	
Interconnection with SAARC Countries	

1140 – 1300	- Perspective from National Grid Planner, Techno Economic Viability, Interconnection Security & Safety Issues Mr. Y K Sehgal, Director, Power Grid Corporation of India Limited - Country focus - India – Nepal Power Trade Mr. U N Panjiar, Chairman, Bihar Electricity Regulatory Commission - Learnings from Indo Nepal Transmission Projects Mr. Haziq Beg, COO, IL&FS Energy Development Corporation - Regional Power Trading in the Perspective of Pakistan NTDC Capacity and Demand Mr. Salis Usman, Research Fellow, SAARC Energy Centre, Islamabad, Pakistan - Potential Options for Power Trade - Short Term/ Medium Term/Long Term Dr. Rajib Mishra, Executive Director, PTC India Limited
1300 – 1310	Q & A
1310 – 1400	Lunch Break
Session – II Energy Settlement Mechanisms and Options & Power Exchanges and Their Role in Transnational Trade	
1400 - 1510	Session Chair: Mr. Ravinder, Chairperson and Member (PS), Central Electrical Authority Keynote address: Development of Energy Markets & Scheduling, Coordination & Energy Accounting for Cross Border Trade Mr. S K Soonee, CEO, Power System Operation Corporation Limited - Issues & Challenges in Energy Settlement - Grid Connectivity/Energy Accounting/Technical Compatibility of Grids/Transmission Charges - Energy Settlement Mechanism for Power Exchange Transactions Mr. V V Sharma, Senior Vice President, Power Exchange India Limited - The Role of Power Exchanges in the SAARC Grid - Capacity Addition Based on SAARC Requirements : Experience of Transmission Planning in India & Lessons for Planning of Cross Border Lines Mr. R Saha, Director (System Planning & Project Appraisal), Central Electrical Authority - Perspectives on Power Exchanges from IEX

	Mr. Akhilesh Awasthy, Director (Market Operations) , Indian Energy Exchange
1510 – 1520	Q & A
1520 - 1535	Tea and Networking Break
Session – III Role of Private Sector in Power Markets of the SAARC Region	
1535 – 1655	Session Chair: Mr. Harry Dhaul, Director General, IPPAI • Role of Private Sector in Construction, Maintenance and Operation of Trans Border Power Lines Mr. RK Sharma, Chief Engineer, Punjab State Transmission Corporation Limited • Enabling Environment for SAARC Regional Power Trading ○ Regional Co-operation: A Win-Win Solution for the SAARC Grid Mr. Salman Zaheer, Programme Director, Regional Integration (South Asia Region) World Bank
1655 – 1705	Q & A
2000 – 2130	Dinner

Friday, 27 September 2013

Session – IV

Country Presentations on Power Trade in the SAARC Member States

0900 – 1025	Panel Comprising of head of delegations from Member States Afghanistan: Mr. Sayed Mujtaba Ahmadi, Counsellor (Economic), Embassy of Afghanistan to India Bangladesh: Mr. Mohammad Fazlul Hoque, Bangladesh Power Development Board Bhutan: Mr. Gem Tshering, Director Transmission, Bhutan Power Corporation Maldives: Mr. Ibrahim Fareed, Technical Manager, Technical Service Department, Fenaka Corporation Limited Mr. Ahmed Iqbal, Senior Engineer, State Electric Company Ltd. Nepal: Mr. Udaya Raj Sapkota, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Energy Pakistan: Mr. Muhammad Azam Khan, WPPO-NTDC
1025 – 1035	Q & A

Session – V

Security of the SAARC Grid

1035– 1135	Session Chair: Mr. Hilal A. Raza, Director, SAARC Energy Centre - Security of the SAARC Grid Dr. MP Lama, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU, New Delhi, and Ex-Member, National Security Advisory Board, Government of India - Security of Energy Transit from Central Asia to South Asia Mr. Abdul Razique Samadi, CEO, DABS, Afghanistan
1135 – 1145	Q & A
1145 – 1200	Tea Break

Session – VI

SAARC Connectivity: Critical Issues

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Financing and Payment Security Mechanisms for Cross Border Trade

1200 – 1245	- Connectivity with SAARC countries – Issues & Concerns Mr. Alok Roy, CEO, Reliance Power Transmission Ltd. - Bangladesh India Trade : Prospects and Challenges Mr. Md Shamsul Hassan Miah, Chief Engineer, Bangladesh Power Development Board
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	○ Financing the private Sector for development of the SAARC Grid ○ Financial Settlement options ● Managing Currency Risks ○ Role of hedging ○ Adoption of Standard PPA models and Financial Mechanisms for Cross Border trade Mr. Andrew Jeffries, Principal Energy Specialist, South Asia Regional Department, Asian Development Bank
1245 – 1300	Q & A
1300 – 1400	Lunch
Valedictory Session	
1400 – 1420	“The Way Forward for Participation of Private Sector in Regional Power Trade” Mr. Hilal A. Raza, Director, SAARC Energy Centre
1420 – 1425	Award of Certificates by Mr. Devendra Chaudhry, Addl. Secy. Power, Ministry of Power, Govt. of India
1425 – 1440	Valedictory Address by Chief Guest Mr. Devendra Chaudhry, Addl. Secy. Power, Ministry of Power, Govt. of India
1440 – 1445	Vote of Thanks Dr. Subarna D Shreshtha, President, Independent Power Producers Association, Nepal
1445 – 1615	Visit to IEX Control Center in New Delhi