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BANGKOK, THAILAND

Towards the Buenos Aires Plan of Action 40th Anniversary

Provisional Agenda

DAY ONE: Wednesday, 27 June 2018

Opening session

Time	Programme
<i>Venue: Conference Room 4, UNCC</i>	
09:00 - 09:30 hrs.	<p>Opening remarks by Mr. Kaveh Zahedi, Deputy Executive Secretary, ESCAP</p> <p>Opening remarks by Mr. Jorge Chediek, Envoy of the UN Secretary-General on South-South Cooperation and Director, UNOSSC</p> <p>Welcome address by H.E. Mr. Vijavat Isarabhakdi, Special Envoy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand</p> <p><i>Photo-op to follow immediately</i></p>
09:30 – 09:45 hrs.	Viewing of the exhibition on “Good practices for South-South cooperation”
09:45 – 10:15 hrs.	
10:15 – 10:30 hrs.	<i>Coffee break</i>

Overview Presentation: Concepts, global processes, state of the South-South Cooperation in Asia and the Pacific and the way forward

Time	Programme
Venue: Conference Room 4, UNCC	
10:30 - 11:00 hrs.	<p>Session objective: To provide an overview of the conceptual issues related to South-South and triangular cooperation, global perspectives on South-South and triangular cooperation, including BAPA+40, the current situation of South-South and triangular cooperation in Asia and the Pacific and the way forward.</p> <p>Setting the scene: Overview presentation by Mr. Adnan Aliani, Director, Strategy and Programme Management Division, ESCAP, on behalf of ESCAP and UNOSSC</p>

Session 1: Roundtable on Institutional arrangements and management of South-South and triangular cooperation

Time	Programme
Venue: Conference Room 4, UNCC	
11:00 – 12:30 hrs.	<p>Session objective: To take stock of the main issues that the South-South think tanks are working on and to enlist views of experts on some of these issues based on a set of questions compiled by workshop Secretariat and probing from the moderator.</p> <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the issues in institutionalisation of South-South and triangular cooperation? • What is the comparative advantage of South-South and triangular cooperation? • Are the principles of South-South cooperation still relevant? • What are the main tools that have been developed for management and implementation of South-South and triangular cooperation? • Present and explore merits of approaches to enhance effective and practical ways of applying and scaling up South-South and triangular cooperation in the region. • What are the most relevant ways to create an enabling environment for a supporting institutional framework at regional and national levels for South-South and triangular cooperation? <p>Moderator: Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, Research and Development System for Developing Countries (RIS), New Delhi</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Jorge Chediek, Envoy of the UN Secretary-General on South-South Cooperation and Director, UNOSSC • Dato' Ir. (Dr.) Lee Yee Cheong, Chairman, Governing Council, International Science Technology and Innovation Centre for South-South Cooperation under the auspices of UNESCO (ISTIC), Kuala Lumpur • Dr. Naruemon Thabchumpon, Assistant Professor, Centre for Social Development Studies, Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Hu Hongtao, Acting Executive Director Partners in Population and Development (PPD) Dhaka, Bangladesh • Dr. Myonghee Kim, Executive Director, Asia Pacific Women's Information Network Center (APWINC), Sookmyung Women's University, Republic of Korea <p>Discussants: tbc</p>
Lunch – Venue: Public Foyer, Ground Floor, UNCC	
12:30 – 13:30 hrs.	<p><i>Lunch talk on” Financial Innovation for the SDGs: showcases of innovative financing solutions for the South”</i></p> <p><i>*Buffet lunch is provided for all participants.</i></p>

Session 2: Modalities to strengthen regional and sub-regional cooperation through South-South and triangular cooperation for sustainable development

Time	Programme
Venue: Conference Room 4, UNCC	
13:30 - 15:00 hrs.	<p>Session objective: To showcase some of the successful transformative South-South and triangular cooperation examples and good practices in Asia and the Pacific at the regional and sub-regional levels.</p> <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the modalities to strengthen regional and sub-regional cooperation through South-South and triangular cooperation for sustainable development? • What roles could be played by the governmental/non-governmental organizations, the regional/sub-regional organizations and networks in strengthening the South-South and triangular cooperation? • What are the good practices, experiences and lessons learned from the South-South Cooperation in Asia and the Pacific? <p>Moderator: Dr. Rathin Roy, Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP), India</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Li Hong, Permanent Representative of China to ESCAP, Permanent Mission of the People’s Republic of China to the ESCAP • Mr. Ryutaro Murotani, Director, Deputy Head, Office for Global Issues and Development Partnership Operations Strategy Department, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Japan • Mr. Francois Martel, Secretary-General, Pacific Islands Development Forum, Fiji • Ms. Lolita Bildan, Regional Integrated Multi-Hazard Early Warning System for Africa and Asia (RIMES), Thailand • Dr. S.M. Junaid Zaidi, Executive Director, Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South, Pakistan <p>Discussants: tbc</p>

15:00 – 15:30 hrs.	<i>Coffee break</i>
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Session 3: Multi-stakeholder partnerships to enhance South-South and triangular cooperation

Time	Programme
Venue: Conference Room 4, UNCC	
15:30 – 17:00 hrs.	<p>Session objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To explore the growing partnerships with the involvement of multi stakeholders, including civil society, and the private sector in supporting South-South and triangular cooperation. To identify the innovative ways and approaches to foster resource mobilization to further strengthen South-South cooperation through multi-stakeholder partnerships. <p>Question:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What innovations should be considered for your sector/organisation to play an enhanced role in implementing scaled up South-South and triangular cooperation towards meeting the Sustainable Development Goals? <p>Moderator: Dr. Netithorn Praditsarn, Vice President, Group Sustainability and Communications, Charoen Pokphand Group, Co. Ltd. and Deputy Secretary-General, Global Compact Network Association (GCNA)</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Mitchell Lee, Deputy Director, Technical Cooperation Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Singapore Ms. Valerie Cliff, UNDP Deputy Regional Director for Asia and Pacific Mr. Thomas Parks, Country Representative Asia Foundation, Thailand Dr. Alex B. Brillantes Jr., President, Asian Association for Public Administration and Professor, National College of Public Administration and Governance, University of the Philippines Ms. Joyce Zhang, Vice Director-General of Finance Center for South-South Cooperation, Hong Kong, China <p>Discussants: tbc</p>
17:15 – 20:00 hrs.	Reception hosted by the Government of Thailand Venue: UNCC Hall, ground floor

DAY TWO: Thursday, 28 June 2018

Time	Programme
08:00 hrs. 08:15 hrs.	<p><i>Departure from Bangkok</i></p> <p>Meeting point: Buses will depart from two locations;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>08:00 hrs.</u> at the UN Conference Centre (outside the main gate) <u>08:15 hrs.</u> at the Sukosol Hotel (meet at lobby) <p>Dress Code: Light clothing and comfortable or walking shoes</p>
09:00 – 11:00 hrs.	<p>Field visit to "Khlong 6 Community Occupational Learning Center" Learning Center based on the application of Sufficiency Economy Philosophy</p> <p>Venue: Khlong Hok, Khlong Luang District, Pathum Thani Province</p>

11:15 hrs.	<i>Departure for Golden Jubilee Museum of Agriculture in Pathum Thani Province</i>
12:00 – 13:00 hrs.	<i>Lunch break</i> Venue: <i>Gin Yoo Dee Restaurant at the Golden Jubilee Museum of Agriculture, Khlong Nueng, Khlong Luang District, Pathum Thani Province</i>
13:15 – 14:00 hrs.	<i>Brief tour of the Golden Jubilee Museum of Agriculture</i>

Session 4: Approaches to sustainable development – alternative development models through South-South and triangular cooperation

Time	Programme
Venue: Meeting Room at the Golden Jubilee Museum of Agriculture	
14:00 – 15:30 hrs.	<p>Session objective: To provide a platform for exchanging dialogue and advancing knowledge sharing on how alternative and home-grown development approaches or models contribute to the strengthening of South-South and triangular cooperation and the achievement of SDGs in the Asia and the Pacific region.</p> <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the examples of existing alternative or home-grown development approaches and models to sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific? What are the models for partnership of multi-stakeholders involved in these approaches? • What have been the means for implementing the approaches or models for sharing with other countries through South-South and triangular Cooperation? • What are the underlying challenges and opportunities in adapting and scaling up the approaches through South-South and triangular cooperation? • How can these approaches and models be adapted to strengthen South-South and triangular cooperation for sustainable development? <p>Moderator: Associate Professor Krittinee Nuttavuthisit, Ph.D., Sasin Graduate Institute of Business Administration, Chulalongkorn University</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ratu Wiliame Maivalili Katonivere, Tui Macuata, Macuata Province of the Republic of Fiji • Ambassador Jose Maria Cariño, Chair-Alternate, Technical Cooperation Council of the Philippines, Republic of the Philippines • Mr. Jaesang Hwang, Director, Planning Team, Planning and Coordination Department, KOICA • Mr. Passang Dorji, Senior Planning Officer, Development Cooperation Division, Gross National Happiness Commission, Royal Government of Bhutan • Ms. Amornrut Det-Udomsap, Advisor on Sustainable Development to Director of L.P.N. Academy, L.P.N. Development Public Company Limited, and Thai Green Building Institute Committee <p>Discussants: tbc</p>
16:00 hrs.	<i>Departure for Bangkok</i>

17:00 hrs.	<i>Estimated arrival in Bangkok</i>
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DAY THREE: Friday, 29 June 2018

Roundtable: Asia-Pacific Forum for South-South and Triangular Cooperation

Time	Programme
Venue: Meeting Room H, UNCC	
09:00 – 12:00 hrs. 10:30-10:45 hrs. <i>Coffee break</i>	<p>Session objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the main challenges the South-South and triangular cooperation users face in Asia and the Pacific? • How to foster partnerships to create new South-South and triangular cooperation opportunities to deliver the 2030 Agenda? • What are the possible ways to improve coordination and collaboration among South-South Cooperation partners in the region? • How to increase information sharing on technical assistance provided to match it to the needs of the beneficiary and partner countries? • What could be the value-added and purpose of establishing annual dialogue of the Heads of the national South-South cooperation agencies and focal points through the regional DG Forum? <p>Chair: Ms. Suphatra Srimaitreephithak, Director-General, Thailand International Cooperation Agency</p> <p>Presentation: Findings of the survey on South-South cooperation in Asia and the Pacific by ESCAP.</p> <p>Roundtable discussion of the Heads of the development cooperation South-South cooperation agencies and units to address the questions above.</p>
12:00 – 13:30 hrs.	<i>Lunch</i> <i>Venue: Public Foyer, Ground Floor, UNCC</i>

Closing session

Time	Programme
Venue: Conference Room 4, UNCC	
13:30 – 15:00 hrs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the Chair's Summary • Special address by H.E. Mrs. María Alicia Cuzzoni de Sonchein, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Embassy of Argentina to Thailand, on behalf of the BAPA+40 conference host country. [tbc] • Closing remarks by Mr. Kaveh Zahedi, Deputy Executive Secretary, ESCAP and Mr. Jorge Chediek, Envoy of the UN Secretary-General on South-South Cooperation and Director, UNOSSC • Closing remarks by Chair and formal closure of the meeting
15:00 hrs.	<i>Close of the meeting</i>
