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Basement Theatre, below Stein Auditorium,
India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi

PROGRAMME AGENDA

DAY 1: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2015

REGISTRATION AND OPENING: 9.00-10.00 AM

- Sunita Narain, director general, Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)
- Souparno Banerjee, programme director, Media Resource Centre, CSE

SESSION 1: 10.00 AM-12.30 NOON

THE STATE OF CLIMATE NEGOTIATIONS: EXPECTATIONS FROM PARIS

- Sunita Narain, *on climate politics*
- Chandra Bhushan, deputy director general, CSE, *on carbon budget*

TEA BREAK: 11.00-11.15 AM

LUNCH: 12.30-1.30 PM

SESSION 2: 1.30-3.30 PM

EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

- Roxy Mathew Koll, scientist, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Pune, *on monsoon variability in South Asia and impacts on agriculture*
- Emmanuel Olukayode Oladipo, professor of climatology, Climate Change Network, Lagos, Nigeria, *on response to rising frequency of droughts and floods in Africa*
- Rosa Perez, member, Philippine Climate Change Commission, National Panel of Technical Experts, Manila, Philippines, *on impact of extreme weather events, dealing with loss and damage and cost of adaptation in South and South East Asia*
- Arjuna Srinidhi, programme manager-climate change, CSE, *on relief and compensation during extreme weather events in India*

TEA BREAK: 3.30-4.00 PM

SESSION 3: 4.00-5.30 PM

PANEL DISCUSSION: TOWARDS AN AMBITIOUS AND EQUITABLE CLIMATE DEAL IN PARIS – COMBINING A TOP-DOWN REGIME WITH BOTTOM-UP CONTRIBUTIONS OF COUNTRIES

- **Youba Sokona**, special advisor on sustainable development, South Centre, Geneva, Switzerland
- **Sunita Narain**
- **Lavanya Rajamani**, research professor, Centre for Policy Research (CPR), New Delhi
- **Chandra Bhushan**

DAY 2: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2015

SESSION 4: 9.30-11.15 AM

SHORT-LIVED CLIMATE POLLUTANTS – HFCs AND METHANE

- **Chandra Bhushan**, *on politics of short-lived climate pollutants*
- **Markus Wypior**, deputy director, Indo-German Energy Programme, GIZ, New Delhi, *on climate friendly alternatives to HFCs in air-conditioners and refrigerators*
- **Maricar Carmelita Alberto**, senior scientist, International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Manila, Philippines, *on methane emissions from agriculture*
- **Asaah Ndambi**, livestock scientist, International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), Nairobi, Kenya, *on methane emissions from livestock*

TEA BREAK: 11.15-11.30 AM

SESSION 5: 11.30 AM-1.15 PM

ENERGY ACCESS THROUGH RENEWABLE SOURCES – WHY ASIA AND AFRICA NEED TO COME TOGETHER

- **Thusitha Sugathapala**, senior lecturer, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Moratuwa, Colombo, Sri Lanka, *on the Sri Lankan target of 100% renewable energy by 2030*
- **Youba Sokona**, *on future of energy for the African continent: energy access through renewable sources*
- **S B Agnihotri**, former secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, Government of India, *on India's renewable energy potential and its INDC targets*
- **Aruna Kumarankandath**, programme officer, CSE, *on the Global Renewable Energy and Energy Access Transformation (GREEAT) programme*

LUNCH: 1.15-2.15 PM

SESSION 6: 2.15-3.30 PM

ARE THE BIG POLLUTERS CHANGING?

- **Sunita Narain and Chandra Bhushan**, *on Capitan America – an assessment of the US climate action plans*

TEA BREAK: 3.30-4.00 PM

SESSION 7: 4.00-5.30 PM

PANEL DISCUSSION: ROAD TO PARIS - WHAT WOULD BE A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME FOR COP21?

- **Ashok Lavasa**, secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India
- **Francois Richier**, ambassador, Embassy of France in India
- **Sunita Narain**



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