



South Asia Regional Initiative for Energy Integration (SARI/EI)
Looking Back to Move Forward: Celebrating 22 Years of Energy Cooperation & Integration in South Asia
15-16 September 2022, Hotel Lalit, New Delhi

AGENDA*	
Day 1: 15 September, Thursday	
10:00 – 11:10	Inaugural Session Day 1
10:00 – 10:05	Lamp Lighting Ceremony
10:05 – 10:10	Welcome Address Dr. Jyoti Parikh, Executive Director, IRADe
10:10 – 10:15	A Brief History of SARI/EI Ms. Sheila Hollis, Acting Executive Director, U.S. Energy Association (<i>pre-recorded</i>)
10:15 – 10:20	Setting the Context of the Conference Mr. Pankaj Batra, Project Director, SARI/EI, IRADe
10:20 – 10:25	Presenting a Short Movie on SARI/EI
10:25 – 10:35	Special Address Ms. Patricia Lacina, Charge d'Affaires, US Embassy, India
10:35 – 10:45	Special Address Smt. Meenakashi Lekhi, Minister of State, External Affairs, Government of India
10:45 – 11:05	Keynote Address by Chief Guest Shri Raj Kumar Singh, Union Minister, Power and New & Renewable Energy, Government of India (<i>invited</i>)
11:05 – 11:10	Vote of Thanks Mr. John Smith-Sreen, Indo-Pacific Office Director, USAID
11:10 – 11:40	Networking Tea/ Coffee Break
11:40 – 13:00	Technical Session 1
11:30 – 12:40	Panel Discussion Theme: Cross-Border Energy Trade (CBET) for Enabling Clean Energy Transition <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Drivers and Enablers● Regional Developments● Global perspective and case studies● Way Forward Presentation : Mr. V K Agrawal, Technical Director, SARI/EI, IRADe Chair: Shri. R V Shahi, Former Power Secretary and Chairman, South Asia Group on Energy (SAGE) Panelists:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Chintan Shah, Director, Technical, IREDA (<i>Virtually</i>) ● Dr. Jami Hossain, Vice President, WWEA & Professor, TERI University ● Mr. Chaminda Hettiarachchi, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Power, Sri Lanka ● Mr. Sher Singh Bhatt, Vice Chairman, Nepal Energy Foundation ● Dr. Kenneth Hansen, Technical Expert, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (embedded within CEA) ● Mr. Clyde Loutan, Principal, Renewable Energy Integration, California Independent System Operator <p>Moderator: Ms. Monali Zeya Hazra, Regional Energy Manager and Clean Energy Specialist, Indo-Pacific Office, USAID/India</p>
12:40 – 12:55	Open Discussion
12:55 – 13:00	Closing Remarks by Session Chair
13:00 – 14:00	Networking Lunch
14:00 – 15:15	Technical Session 2
14:00 – 14:55	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p>Theme: Power of Data</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Information Flow ● Role of Data ● Cyber Security ● Data Management <p>Presentation: Mr. Samir C. Saxena, Chief General Manager, POSOCO</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Kirit Parikh, Chairman, IRADe</p> <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Jostein Dahl Karlsen, Managing Director Gas and Oil Technology Programme, IEA Global Innovation Network ● Mr. V K Agrawal, Technical Director, SARI/EI, IRADe ● Mr. Debasis Sahoo, Associate Vice President, Global Head of Energy Utility & Services, Infosys Ltd (<i>Virtual</i>) ● Mr. Anand Shankar, CGM, Information Security, Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd ● Mr. Kamlesh Ahuja, Lead Cyber Security, UL Standards & Engagement (<i>Virtual</i>) <p>Moderator: Mr. Samir C. Saxena, Chief General Manager, POSOCO</p>
14:55 – 15:10	Open Discussion
15:10 – 15:15	Closing Remarks by Session Chair
15:15 – 15:45	Networking Tea/ Coffee Break
15:45 – 17:00	Technical Session 3

15:45 – 16:40	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p>Theme: South Asian Regional Power Market– Enabling Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enabling Framework ● Challenges and opportunities ● Global perspective and case studies ● Roadmap towards growth <p>Presentation: Mr. Pankaj Batra, Project Director, SARI/EI, IRADe</p> <p>Chair: Mr. S S Barpanda, Director (MO), POSOCO</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Craig Glazer, Vice President-Federal Government Policy, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. <i>(Virtual)</i> ● Mr. Rohit Bajaj, VP, Indian Energy Exchange <i>(Virtual)</i> ● Mr. Akhilesh Awasthi, CEO, Hindustan Exchange ● Mr. Arun Kumar, Head, Short Term Marketing, PTC India Limited ● Ms. Dechen Wangmo, Director - Corporate Affairs, DGPC, Bhutan <i>(Virtual)</i> ● Mr. Mziyanda Mbuseli, Market Surveillance Manager, Southern African Power Pool ● Mr. Clyde Loutan, Principal, Renewable Energy Integration, California Independent System Operator <p>Moderator: Mr. Pankaj Batra, Project Director, SARI/EI, IRADe</p>
16:40 – 16:55	Open Discussion
16:55 – 17:00	Closing Remarks by Session Chair
17:00 – 17:10	Summary of Day 1
End of Day 1	

Day 2: 16 September, Friday	
10:00 – 11:00	Inaugural Session Day 2
10:00 – 10:05	Lamp Lighting Ceremony
10:05 – 10:10	Welcome Address - Ms. Monali Zeya Hazra, Regional Energy Manager and Clean Energy Specialist, Indo-Pacific Office, USAID/India
10:10 – 10:15	Brief of Day 1 & Context Setting Mr. Pankaj Batra, Project Director, SARI/EI, IRADe
10:15 – 10:35	Keynote Address - H.E. Doma Tshering - Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bhutan to the United Nations (Pre-Recorded Speech)
10:35 – 10:55	Address by Chief Guest – Shri. Ajay Kumar Mishra, Minister of State, Home Affairs, Government of India

10:55 – 11:00	Vote of Thanks – Mr. V K Agrawal, Technical Director, SARI/EI, IRADe
11:00 – 11:30	Networking Tea/ Coffee Break
11:30 - 13:00	Technical Session 4
11:30 – 12:40	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p>Theme: CBET – A Way Towards Energy Security</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Drivers and Enablers for CBET ● Sustainability frameworks ● Regional Institutions and Forums ● Global Experiences ● Strategic and Policy Push <p>Presentation Mr. V K Agrawal, Technical Director, SARI/EI, IRADe</p> <p>Chair: Mr. S.K. Soonee, Former CEO, POSOCO</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Mziyanda Mbuseli, Market Surveillance Manager, Southern African Power Pool ● Mr. Beni Suryadi, Hub Fellow and the Manager of the Power, Fossil Fuel, Alternative Energy and Storage, ASEAN Centre for Energy (ACE) ● Mr. Deepak Amitabh, Chief Executive Officer - Power Sales, Adani Power ● Mr. Mohammad Hossain, Director General, Power Cell, Ministry of Energy (<i>Virtual</i>) ● Mr. Madhu Bhetuwal, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Energy, Water Resources and Irrigation (MOEWRI), Govt of Nepal (<i>Virtual</i>) ● Mr. Erik Alhstrom, Senior Advisor Regional Coordination, ENTSO-E (<i>Virtual</i>)
12:40 – 12:55	Open Discussion
12:55 – 13:00	Closing Remarks by Session Chair
13:00 – 13:45	Networking Lunch
13:45 – 15:00	Technical Session 5
13:45 – 14:40	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p>Theme: What’s Next for the Energy Sector? Global Hot Topics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Advanced Technology in the Energy Sector ● Hydrogen ● Storage ● Circular Economy ● Just transition <p>Presentation: Mr. Sumedh Agarwal, Deputy Chief of Party, SAREP and Mr. Pramod Kumar Singh, Advance Energy Lead, SAREP</p>

	<p>Chair: Mr. Mohit Bhargava, CEO, NTPC – REL</p> <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. James Nelson, Director of Technology and Innovation, Arizona State University & Consortium Member, USAID Advancing Modern Power Through Utility Partnerships (AmpUp) Program • Mr. Jan Clyncke, Managing Director, PV CYCLE (<i>Virtual</i>) • Mr. Beni Suryadi, Hub Fellow and the Manager of the Power, Fossil Fuel, Alternative Energy and Storage, ASEAN Centre for Energy (ACE) • Mr. Prabhajit Kumar Sarkar, MD & CEO, Power Exchange India Limited <p>Moderator: Ms. Sarah Blanford, Deputy Program Director, Energy Utility Partnership Program, USEA</p>
14:40 – 14:55	Open Discussion
14:55 – 15:00	Closing Remarks by Session Chair
15:00 – 15:30	Networking Tea/ Coffee Break
15:30 – 16:30	Way Forward “CBET – The Next Big Thing”
15:30 – 16:30	<p>Secretaries - BBINS (Virtual/in-person)</p> <p>Moderator - Shri. R V Shahi, Former Power Secretary and Chairman, South Asia Group on Energy (SAGE)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Habibur Rahman, Secretary, Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources, Bangladesh (<i>Virtual</i>) • Shri. Alok Kumar, Secretary, Ministry of Power, India (<i>tbc</i>) • Mr. Sushil Kumar Tiwari, Secretary (Energy), Ministry of Energy, Water Resources and Irrigation, NEA, Nepal - (<i>Virtual</i>) • Mr. M P D U K Mapa Pathirana, Secretary, Ministry of Power, Energy and Business Development, Sri Lanka (<i>Virtual</i>)
16:30 – 16:40	Conference Summary/Wrap-up - Mr. Pankaj Batra, Project Director, SARI/EI, IRADe
16:40 – 16:45	Closing Remarks Ms. Sarah Blanford, Deputy Program Director, Energy Utility Partnership Program, USEA
16:45 – 16:50	Vote of Thanks Ms. Monali Zeya Hazra, Regional Energy Manager and Clean Energy Specialist, IPO, USAID/India
End of Day 2	

* Agenda is tentative and is subjected to change