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“South-South and Triangular Cooperation
in the Post-2015 Global Partnership for Sustainable Development”

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and the Japan International Cooperation Agency

MC: Mr. Edward Omotoso

9 a.m. - 10.15 a.m.  OPENING SESSION

Moderator
• Mr. Yiping Zhou, Envoy of the Secretary-General on South-South Cooperation, and Director, United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC)

Opening Speakers
• H.E. Mr. Abulkalam Abdul Momen, President, United Nations General Assembly High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation, and Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations
• Mr. Kunio Okamura, Senior Special Advisor, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
• Mr. Gyan Chandra Acharya, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS)
• H.E. Dr. Neil Parsan, Chair, Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDHI), and Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Trinidad and Tobago to the Organization of American States (OAS)

10.15 a.m.- 10.35 a.m. BREAK

10.35 a.m.-12.10 p.m.  SESSION 1. SOUTH-SOUTH AND TRIANGULAR COOPERATION INITIATIVES CONTRIBUTING TO MDGS AND THE POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

This session aims to showcase: (1) the successful and scalable initiatives of development solutions from the South that are ready to be scaled up within the country and shared with other countries, as well as South-South and triangular cooperation which has contributed to the achievement of MDGs or may potentially contribute to the post-2015 development agenda; and (2) the strategy for scaling up those concrete initiatives.

Moderator
• Mr. Jürgen Schwettmann, Director, Partnerships and Development Cooperation Department, ILO

Panellists
• H.E. Ms. María del Carmen Nasser de Ramos, Vice Minister of International Cooperation and Promotion, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Honduras
• Mr. Shenhong Yao, Director-General, China International Centre for Economic and Technical Exchanges (CICETE), Ministry of Commerce, China
• H.E. Mr. Ahmad Mohammed Al-Zowaidi, Assistant Director for International Development Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Qatar
• H.E. Mr. Bruno Figueroa, Ambassador and Director-General for International Development Cooperation, Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation, Mexico
• Mr. Mihir R. Bhatt, Managing Trustee, All India Disaster Mitigation Institute

Interactive Session
12.10 p.m.-12.20 p.m. LAUNCHING OF GLOBAL PORTAL FOR TRIANGULAR COOPERATION
• Ms. Mami Yamada Sakurai, Assistant Director for Partnerships and Triangular Cooperation, UNOSSC

12.20 p.m.-1.50 p.m. LUNCH

1.50 p.m.-3.20 p.m. SESSION 2. PRECONDITIONS AND TOOLS FOR SCALING UP SOUTH-SOUTH AND TRIANGULAR COOPERATION
This session aims to discuss preconditions and tools necessary for scaling up successful South-South and triangular cooperation initiatives such as policy instruments, capacity for effectively implementing South-South and triangular cooperation, knowledge management, matching mechanisms, regional networks and PPPs as well as useful partnerships to make available those instruments.

Moderator
• Ms. Laura Bocalandro, Coordinator, M&E Regional Public Goods, Lead Principal Specialist, Integration and Trade Sector, Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)

Panellists
• Ms. Kim Osborne, Chief, Technical Cooperation, OAS
• Mr. Koji Yamada, Senior Advisor, JICA
• H.E. Mr. Sirajuddin Hamid Yousif, Ambassador and Director-General, International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sudan
• Mr. Christopher Pack, Communications Officer, UNOSSC

Interactive Session
3.20 p.m.-3.40 p.m. BREAK

3.40 p.m.-5.10 p.m. SESSION 3. SOUTH-SOUTH AND TRIANGULAR COOPERATION IN THE CONTEXT OF THE POST-2015 GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
This session aims to showcase successful partnership arrangements to scale up South-South cooperation in collaboration with partners such as the United Nations, donor countries, civil society and the private sector, and to discuss how we can strengthen or broaden partnerships towards the post-2015 development agenda.

Moderator
• Mr. Hajime Takeuchi, Chief Representative, USA Office, JICA

Panellists
• Ms. Suchada Thaibunthao, Director-General, Thailand International Cooperation Agency, Thailand
• H.E. Ms. Nilda Garre, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Argentina to the OAS
• Mr. Stanlake Samkange, Director, Policy, Programme and Innovation Division, World Food Programme
• Dr. Khalida Bouzar, Director, Near East, North Africa, Europe and Central Asia, International Fund for Agricultural Development

Interactive Session
5.10 p.m.-5.30 p.m. CLOSING SESSION
• Ms. Laima Jureviciene, Director, Development Cooperation Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lithuania, speaking on behalf of Forum participants