

Leaders' Dialogue

Actioning Solutions for Global Sustainable Development and Governance of Resources

Agenda | 1000 – 1630 GST | Thursday, 7 December 2023 | The Ballroom, 3rd Floor, Taj Jumeirah Lakes Towers, Dubai

1000 – 1115

Plenary

Welcome | 10 min

Dr Arunabha Ghosh, CEO, CEEW

In Context: The G20 Green Development Pact, energy security and transition | 05 min

Mr Dinesh D Jagdale, Joint Secretary, Ministry for New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), India

Special Message | 05 min

Ms Debashree Mukherjee, Secretary, Ministry of Jal Shakti (MoJS), India (*video message*)

Special address | 10 min

H.E. Mr Sunjay Sudhir, Ambassador of India to the U.A.E.

Plenary conversation on actioning the G20 Green Development Pact to achieve the SDGs | 45 min

Dr Arunabha Ghosh in conversation with **Dr Ajay Mathur**, Director General, International Solar Alliance (ISA), **Mr Jean-François Gagné**, Head of Secretariat, Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM), and **Mr Nicolas Buchoud**, Senior Advisor to the Dean & CEO, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)

The Pact includes macroeconomic risk from climate change and transition pathways, mainstreaming Lifestyles for Sustainable Development, designing a circular economy world, and implementing a clean, affordable, just and inclusive energy transition.

1115 – 1130

Tea/coffee & networking

1130 – 1215

Conversation I | Managing global water resources: Partnerships for water action

Discuss ways to leverage multilateral platforms to foster partnerships towards attaining SDG 6 (clean water and sanitation for all) by 2030 through global and local governance of water resources, building upon the [G20 Compendium on Best Practices in Sustainable Water Management](#).

Dr Naoko Ishii, Executive Vice President and Director, Center for Global Commons, University of Tokyo and Commissioner, Global Commission on the Economics of Water

Mr Chuck Chaitovitz, Vice President, Environmental Affairs and Sustainability, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Mr Gary Conway, Head of Energy Sales in the Middle East, India, and Africa, Nokia

Dr Smriti Basnett, Deputy Director, Future Earth Global Secretariat Hub South Asia

Dr Maha Al Zu'bi, Regional Researcher, Sustainable & Resilient Water Systems, International Water Management Institute (IWMI)

Dr Victor Rana Shinde, Head-Climates Centre for Cities, National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)

Moderated by Mr Nitin Bassi, Senior Programme Lead, CEEW

1215 – 1300

Armchair conversation on the role of private sector in driving sustainable economic transformations

Discuss how the private sector can play a critical role in accelerating growth and driving sustainable economic transformations and how G20 nations can support private sector by creating inclusive, sustainable, and resilient global value chains, facilitating investments towards sustainable business models, devising pipelines of investible projects in developing countries, and promoting the ease and reduce the cost of doing business.

Dr Arunabha Ghosh in conversation with **Mr Martin Durbin**, President – Global Energy Institute and Senior Vice President, Policy, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and **Ms Manali Desai**, Chief Sustainability Officer for Africa, the Middle East and South Asia (AMESA), PepsiCo

1300 – 1400

Lunch & networking

1400 – 1445 **Conversation II | Tripling global renewable energy: Production and offtake**

Discuss the [G20 New Delhi Leaders' Declaration](#) released at the G20 Leaders' Summit 2023, which states that member countries will pursue and encourage efforts to triple renewable energy capacity globally by 2030, including measures needed to ramp up green hydrogen production and offtake.

Mr Dinesh D Jagdale, Joint Secretary, MNRE, India

Mr Bikesh Ogra, CEO and Managing Director, Jakson Green

Mr Rahula Kashyapa, Chief Commercial Officer, ACME

Mr Harmeet Bawa, Senior Vice President, Global Head of Government & Institutional Relations, Hitachi Energy

Moderated by Ms Shuva Raha, Head – New Initiatives, CEEW

1445 – 1515 **Conversation III | Target net-zero: India's efforts to secure RE supply chains**

Discuss ways to leverage India's position as a renewable energy leader to make supply chains more secure and resilient, and create new avenues of supply and investments, building on the G20 report on [Developing Resilient Renewable Energy Supply Chains for Global Clean Energy Transition](#).

Mr Jeevan Kumar Jethani, Scientist F, MNRE, India

Mr Joshua Wycliffe, COO, ISA

Mr John Grimes, Chief Executive, Smart Energy Council

Mr Deepak Agrawala, Senior Executive Vice President - Equity and Investor Relations, Avaada Group

Mr Rishabh Jain, Senior Programme Lead, CEEW

Moderated by Ms Shuva Raha, Head – New Initiatives, CEEW

1515 – 1615 **Conversation IV | Lowering the cost of finance for energy transition**

Discuss ways to make low cost financing for energy transition available at scale, building on the G20's [Voluntary Action Plan for Lowering the Cost of Finance for Energy Transition](#).

Mr Dinesh D Jagdale, Joint Secretary, MNRE, India

Mr Pradip Kumar Das, Chairman and Managing Director, Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA)

Mr Samir Ashta, CFO, Apraava Energy

Mr Shiva Shanker, Investments Director, Ankur Capital

Dr Arunabha Ghosh, CEO, CEEW

Moderated by Ms Shuva Raha, Head – New Initiatives, CEEW

1615 – 1630 *Tea/coffee & networking, end of programme*

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