

Cambridge Workshop

Indian Development Cooperation in the Decade Ahead

Agenda

The Center for New Economic Diplomacy (CNED), co-founded by the Observer Research Foundation (ORF) and the UK Department for International Development (DFID), India, is delighted to partner with The Margaret Anstee Centre for Global Studies (MAC), Newnham College, University of Cambridge.

CNED is an initiative that seeks to create new research, promote new voices, discover new solutions, and build new policy frameworks that will serve the global agenda outlined in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Climate Accords.

The MAC is a new research centre established at Newnham College, Cambridge. Its remit is to support work in international relations, and social and economic development.

ORF and the MAC will be hosting a half-day workshop at Cambridge University on June 26, 2019. The workshop aims to set the foundations for a knowledge partnership between leading Indian and UK institutions working on development policy and practice and begin a systematic conversation between the two countries on key global challenges that India and the UK can tackle together in a Track 1.5 format.

Wednesday, June 26 | Indian Development Cooperation in the Decade Ahead | Margaret Anstee Centre for Global Studies, Newham College, University of Cambridge

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM **Tea and Coffee**

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM **Welcome Remarks**

Emma Mawdsley, Director, Margaret Anstee Centre for Global Studies,
University of Cambridge

Oli Keetch, Head, Strategy, Corporate and Global Partnerships, UK
Department for International Development (DFID), India

Terri Chapman, Associate Fellow and Community Lead, Observer
Research Foundation

11:00 AM – 11:50 AM

Panel Discussion: *A New Landscape of International Development Cooperation*

This panel discusses the India and UK partnership in and with Africa. It will seek to discuss the roles, specific capabilities and contributions that each of the three regions (UK–Africa–India) bring to this unique trilateral partnership. It will focus on ways in which all partners share equitable agency and agenda-shaping capabilities. Key questions include: How do you align this new contemporary mode of international cooperation to serve the larger international ambition with respect to climate change and the Sustainable Development Goals? How does this partnership invite and include communities to participate in designing the agenda itself? How will this format depart from the old donor-donee paradigm?

- **Emma Mawdsley**, Director, Margaret Anstee Centre, University of Cambridge (Moderator)
- **Miriam W. Oiro Omolo**, Founder and Executive Director, The Africa Policy Research Institute, Kenya
- **Tanoubi Ngangom**, Programme Director, Observer Research Foundation
- **Yamini Aiyar**, President and Chief Executive, Centre for Policy Research, India

11:50 AM – 12:40 PM

Panel Discussion: *Trilateral Cooperation: Renewable Energy and Climate Obligations*

The UK is an outlier in Europe and has outperformed much of the continent in terms of green transitions and in shifting to low carbon pathways. The UK has governance, technology and market experience to share. India has shown remarkable capability to ensure access to renewables at price points available to the bottom of the pyramid. Africa is growth's new frontier, and has the opportunity to inculcate the learnings, mistakes and experiments from the UK and India and to share its own experiences with others. The panel will discuss specific experiences that the three bring to the partnership. It will engage with the challenge of ensuring that the young populations are gainfully employed as we move away from the traditional resources sector and fossil fuel economy. Most importantly, the panel will engage with what role UK, India and Africa can play in defining gender-first green transitions.

- **Rathin Roy**, Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, India (Moderator)
- **Gwendoline Abunaw**, Managing Director, EcoBank, Cameroon
- **Lucy Corkin**, Business Manager, Rand Merchant Bank, South Africa
- **Penelope Jane Herbst**, Strategy Director, Africa GreenCo, South Africa
- **Simon Maxwell**, Former Director, Overseas Development Institute, UK

12:40 PM – 01:00 PM

Closing Remarks and Key Takeaways: Rathin Roy, Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, India

01:00 PM – 02:00 PM

Lunch

02:00 PM – 02:30 PM

Launch of the Margaret Anstee Centre-DFID Partnership

02:30 PM – 03:00 PM

Closed Door Session: Programme management group discussion on priorities and areas for collaboration (GPPD PAC, ORF, DFID, MAC, Oxford)