

UK-India Week 2019

Africa-UK-India Forum

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 UK-India Week 2019. 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.

June 27 | Africa-UK-India Forum | UK-India Week 2019 | Latimer House, Buckinghamshire, UK

- 02:30 PM – 02:35 PM** **Welcome Remarks:** Tanoubi Ngangom, Programme Director, Observer Research Foundation
- 02:35 PM – 02:40 PM** **Opening Remarks:** Oli Keetch, Head, Strategy, Corporate and Global Partnerships, UK Department for International Development (DFID), India
- 02:40 PM – 02:55 PM** **Keynote Address:** Kate Hampton, CEO, Children's Investment Fund Foundation, UK
- 02:55 PM – 04:00 PM** **Panel Discussion:** *Investing in Growth: Unleashing the Potential of Africa*

Africa is growth's new frontier: Its dynamic economies are contributing significantly to global growth; its businesses are fashioning new solutions and responding to development opportunities; and its entrepreneurs are implicating the business landscape across the globe. This African opportunity requires new pipelines for the flow of finance, and new instruments to direct investments. This panel will discuss the possible avenues for unleashing African growth by focusing on finance and investments. It will focus on digital Africa, sustainable Africa, and the African human capital potential.

- **Serena Chaudhry**, Editor, Africa Journal, Thomson Reuters, UK (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
- **Rathin Roy**, Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, India

04:00 PM – 04:20 PM **Break**

04:20 PM – 05:25 PM **Panel Discussion: *Africa First: India, UK, and the Commonwealth***

The UK, India, and Africa present a compelling trilateral relationship towards achieving the SDGs. The SDG agenda is a saga of transformations within India and the countries of Africa, along with the relationships they forge with traditional development actors like the UK. New and robust collaborations between these three partners could help create nimble institutional frameworks for the delivery of development projects, examination of their effectiveness, and promotion of transparency and accountability. This afternoon session will interrogate the role of relevant actors, priority sectors, capacities and capabilities, and individual efforts that can contribute to this critical 21st century agenda.

- **Terri Chapman**, Associate Fellow and Community Lead, Observer Research Foundation (Moderator)
- **Samir Saran**, President, Observer Research Foundation, India
- **Kate Hampton**, CEO, Children's Investment Fund Foundation, UK
- **Simon Maxwell**, Former Director, Overseas Development Institute, UK
- **Yamini Aiyar**, President and Chief Executive, Centre for Policy Research, India

05:25 PM – 05:30 PM **Closing Remarks: Tanoubi Ngangom**, Programme Director, Observer Research Foundation

07:30 PM onwards **Dinner at Latimer House**

June 28 | Latimer House, Buckinghamshire, UK

11:00 AM Delegates depart from Latimer House