



Islamabad, the 13th March, 2013

C I R C U L A R

Copy of the Economic Affairs Division's O.M No.5(7)ADB-III/12, dated 01-03-2013 is forwarded for information/necessary action and to state that the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) in cooperation with S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University(NTU),Singapore has been offered/invited the suitable/interested nominations of officers from "**Mid to Senior level directly in charge of or involved in country's trade or economic policies**". The officers having expertise & dealing with the relevant subject matter may kindly forward their consent/nominations along with the nomination form, C.V and a copy of the valid passport duly recommended /endorsed by their Senior respective officers to Admn-I Section latest by **14-03-2013** positively for onward submission to the Economic Affairs Division.



(MARIA KAZI)

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No. 5 (7) ADB-III/12

Islamabad the 1st March, 2013


OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Regional Conference on Integrating Domestic Industries with Global Production Networks and Supply Chains Singapore, 8-10 May, 2013.

The undersigned is directed to refer to ADB's letter dated 21st February, 2013 on the above subject (copy enclosed) and to say that Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) in with S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore, is organizing a conference to share the best regulatory practices among Asian developing countries for integrating domestic industries with global production networks and supply chains. The conference will be held in Singapore from 8 May to 10 May 2013.

2. ADB will cover the costs related to the participation of all invited participants according to its practices and rates.

3. It is requested that the nomination of **one** suitable officer alongwith the C.V. dealing with the relevant subject may kindly be sent to EAD not later then **15th March, 2013** positively.


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21 February 2013

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Regional Conference on
Integrating Domestic Industries with Global Production Networks and
Supply Chains

Singapore, 8 - 10 May 2013

Dear Mr. Rao,

It is our pleasure to announce that the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI), in cooperation with S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore, is organizing a conference to share the best regulatory practices among Asian developing countries for integrating domestic industries with global production networks and supply chains. The conference will be held in Singapore from 8 May to 10 May 2013.

The proliferation of global value chains (GVC) and global production networks (GPN) has facilitated flows of goods and services, fundamentally changed trade patterns in manufacturing products, and led to paradigm shifts in development policies. Countries participating in the GVCs and GPNs benefit from exposures to new technology, easy accesses to foreign markets and the integration between local and multinational enterprises. Integrating local industries into existing GVCs and GPNs stimulates industrialization according to dynamic comparative advantages and improves welfare gains. GVCs and GPNs have performed a critical role in supporting the economy growth and trade of emerging East Asia.

Therefore, understanding basic concepts of GVC, GPN and their role in innovations, industrialization, international trade and economic development should be really important for government officials. In this conference, resource speakers will first introduce basic concepts and Asian experiences, then they use established production networks and case studies to illustrate the functions and contribution of GVC and GPN to economic development of East Asian countries, and finally discuss the implication of the proliferation of GVC and GPN for development policies. In addition, invited government officials are expected to actively participate in discussions, share their country experiences, and analyze challenges and policy options of joining the existing GVC and GPN.

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To discuss these issues, the conference includes following sessions: (i) global production networks and supply chains: basic concepts and Asian experiences; (ii) global production networks, supply chains and regional integration; (iii) case analyses; (iv) innovation, industrialization and dynamic comparative advantages; (v) global value chains and production networks: a vehicle for developing export capacity and participating in the international division of labor and (vi) joining global value chains and production networks: challenges and opportunities.

In this context, we are pleased to invite **two** mid to senior-level officials, who have been directly in charge of or involved in your country's trade or economic policies to participate in the above conferences. The nominees should be fluent in English, as the program will be delivered entirely in English.

Kindly complete the attached nomination form for the candidates and forward it back to us together with his/her full CV and copy of valid passport by **Friday, 22 March 2013**. Due to limited slots available, we would like to inform you that only official(s) with necessary expertise may be invited to the seminar. Official invitation will be sent directly to the selected official(s).

ADB I will cover the costs related to the participation of all invited participants according to its practices and rates.

Should you require further information about the roundtable, please feel free to contact Dr. Muhammad Cholifihani at mcholifihani@adbi.org and/or Mr. Xuan Anh Le at xle@adbi.org. For more information about travel and accommodation arrangements, please contact Ms. Shigemi Matsuzaki at smatsuzaki@adbi.org.

With best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yuqing Xing".

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Attachment:

Tentative Conference Program

CC: Mr. Waqar Hussain Abbasi, Deputy Secretary, EAD
Director General, CWRD
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