

Draft Program

## **Free Trade Policies and Impact on Sustainable Development, Social and Gender Justice: A Case Study of the EU-India Trade Relations**

**Workshop organized by Heinrich Boll Foundation (HBF), Centre for Trade and Development (Centad), Intercultural Resources (ICR), Focus on the Global South and Women in Development Europe (WIDE)**

13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> November, 2009, at India Islamic Cultural Centre, New Delhi

### **DAY 1, 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2009**

**9.30- 10.00 am Registration and Tea**

**10-10.20 am Welcome Address**

Linu Mathew Philip, Centre for Trade and Development  
Michael Koeberlein, Heinrich Boll Foundation

**10.20-10.40 am Introduction by participants**

**Moderator:** Michael Koeberlein, Heinrich Boll Foundation

**10.40-11.20 Opening Plenary: Free Trade Agreements and Gender**

**Chair:** Renana Jhabvala, National Coordinator SEWA and Chairperson SEWA Bharat

**Key Note Address:**

**Free trade linkages with Social and Gender Justice:** Devaki Jain, Former Director, Institute of Social Studies Trust, New Delhi

**FTAs and Gender Justice:** Christa Wichterich, WIDE

**11.20-11.50 am Discussion**

**11.50-12.00 pm Tea**

**12.00-12.45 pm Access to Resources & Services for Gender and Social Justice**

**Chair:** Shefali Sharma, Third World Network (TWN)

**Access to Health, Access to Credit:** Ranja Sengupta, Centad

**Access to Water:** Kshitij Urs, Association for Promoting Social Action (APSA), Action Aid

**Access to Land:** Jaya Mehta, Independent Researcher

**12.45-1.15 pm Discussion**

**1.15-2.15pm Lunch**

**2.15-3.00 pm Impacts of Free Trade Policy on Agriculture and Fisheries**

**Chair:** Jaya Mehta, Independent Researcher

**The EU-India FTA and Impact on Agriculture:** Roopam Singh, Centad

**Women in Fisheries:** Maglin Peter, Coastal Women' Movement (Theeradesha Mahila Vedi)

**EU-India FTA and Impact on Fisheries:** Susana Barria and Rohan Mathews, Intercultural Resources

**3.00-3.30 pm Discussion**

**3.30-3.45 pm Tea**

**3.45-4.30 pm *Impacts of Free Trade Policy on Manufacturing***

**Chair:** Sunanda Sen, Visiting Professor, ISID

**Women in the Manufacturing Industry:** Indrani Mazumdar, Center for Women's Development Studies (CWDS)

**Gender profile in export oriented industries in India:** Bansari Nag, Gender and Trade Initiative (GATI)

**Export industry – Nokia SEZ and Garment:** name to be confirmed, New Trade Union Initiative (NTUI)

**4.15-4.45 pm *Discussion***

**4.45-5.30 pm *Impacts of Free Trade Policy on Services***

**Chair:** Kavaljit Singh, Public Interest Research Group (PIRG)

**EU-India FTA impact on Services:** Ranja Sengupta, Centad

**Waste Management:** Maitreyi Krishnan, Alternative Law Forum

**Information Technology:** Partha Pratim Pal, (IIM, Kolkata)

**5.30-6.00 pm *Discussion***

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**DAY 2, 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2009**

**10-10.15 am Introduction and Welcome**

Shalini Yog, Heinrich Boll Foundation

**10.15 am-11.15 pm Gender Implications of Current Trade Policy Making in India: Interaction with Policy Shapers**

**Chair:** tbc

Rajan S. Ratna, Centre for WTO Studies, IIFT

**Access to Natural Resources and Services:** Ranja Sengupta

Amarendra Khatua, Department of Commerce, Government of India

**The Impact of Free Trade Policy on Agriculture and Fisheries:** Susana Barria

**11.15-11.45 am Discussion**

**11.45-12.00 am Tea**

**12.00-1.00 pm Gender Implications of Current Trade Policy Making in India: Interaction with Policy Shapers (Session Continued)**

**Chair:** tbc

Rashmi Banga, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) India

**The Impact of Free Trade Policy on Manufacturing:** Christa Wichterich

A Laxmanan, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India (tbc)

**The Impact of Free Trade Policy on Services:** Anita Gurumurthy, IT for Change

Anne Stenhammer, United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)

**1.00-1.30 pm Discussion**

**1.30-2.30 pm Lunch**

**2.30-3.00 pm Free Trade and Democracy**

**Chair:** Venkatesh Nayak, Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI)

Sukhdev Sharma, European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)

Barbara Specht, WIDE

Kajal Bhardwaj, Independent Consultant (tbc)

**3.00 -3.30 pm Discussion**

**3.30 to 3.45 pm: Tea**

**3.45-6.00 pm Plan of Action and Alliances: The Way Forward**

**Chair:** Shefali Sharma, Third World Network

**6.00 pm Vote of Thanks**

Julia Scherf, Heinrich Boll Foundation