

# CUTS CITEE Networking Profile

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*CUTS CITEE believes that networking is crucial for conducting effective research and advocacy. It is our policy to engage renowned external experts for research activities as well as research in-house, and to conduct advocacy collectively.*

*Working with more than 50 research institutions and non-governmental organisations all over the world: from Southern Africa to South East Asia*

*Close association with a number of networks: South Asia Watch on Trade, Economics & Environment in South Asia to International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development, Geneva, which helps in reaching out to a larger audience*

*Many partner organisations are closely working with respective governments, as experts in policy-making bodies*

*Engagement with partners in several projects over time, resulting in dynamic and long-term relationship*

## Networking Objectives

- Conduct joint research on trade, economics and environmental issues, especially highlighting Southern perspectives
- Exchange on regular basis information on programmes, activities and projects of mutual interest with a view to ensuring coordination, complementarity and mutually supportive cooperation, and where appropriate, joint action
- Cooperate in conducting training and exchange programmes to enhance capacities and better understanding of relevant actors on trade, economics and environmental issues

*The characteristics that make CUTS interesting in my view are its constructive and well-reasoned approaches to analyses of development topics and trade-related issues. The outreach activities of CUTS and the involvement of researchers and government officials from other developing countries are of great value. Cooperation and alliance-building between developing countries is probably one of the more efficient ways of accelerating the capacity of developing countries to take part in the international dialogue on economic issues as well as preparing for negotiations in organisations such as the WTO...One particular challenge is how to ensure that civil society organisations in developed countries work towards the same goal as the civil society organisations and the poor populations in developing countries. Anders Ahnlid, Director-General for Trade, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sweden*

No	Institute	Country	Thrust Areas	Partnership
<i>Africa</i>				
1	Institute of Economic Affairs <a href="http://www.iea.or.ke">www.iea.or.ke</a>	Kenya	Research, policy advocacy and civil society capacity building on issues of economic governance	Advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
2	Kenya Institute of Public Policy Research and Analysis <a href="http://www.kippra.org">www.kippra.org</a>	Kenya	Develop capacities in public policy research and analysis, and therefore assist the Government of Kenya in the process of policy formulation, implementation and evaluation	Research partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
3	Kenya Association of Manufacturers <a href="http://www.kam.co.ke">www.kam.co.ke</a>	Kenya	Unite industrialists and serve as a voice for Kenya's manufacturing sector	Adjunct partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
4	Institute of Global Dialogue <a href="http://www.igd.org.za">www.igd.org.za</a>	South Africa	Research of multilateral institutions to understand the impact on South Africa	Advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
5	South African Institute of International Affairs <a href="http://www.saiia.org.za">www.saiia.org.za</a>	South Africa	Promote a wider and more informed understanding of international issues	Research and advocacy partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring IBSA Initiative" project  Research partner of "Devising a Comprehensive IBSA Strategy on WTO Agriculture Negotiations" project
6	South African Chamber of Business <a href="http://www.sacob.co.za">www.sacob.co.za</a>	South Africa	Protect the interests of business, at local, regional and national levels	Advocacy partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring IBSA (India-Brazil-South Africa) Initiative" project

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7	Economic & Social Research Foundation <a href="http://www.esrf.or.tz">www.esrf.or.tz</a>	Tanzania	Build human and institutional capabilities in economic and social policy analysis through training, research & advocacy	Research and advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
8	Development Network of Indigenous Voluntary Associations <a href="http://www.deniva.or.ug">www.deniva.or.ug</a>	Uganda	Strengthen civil society organisations in the quest for transparency, equity and democratic governance through advocacy, networking and capacity building for sustainable development in Uganda	Research partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
9	Consumer Education Trust of Uganda (CONSENT)	Uganda	Enhance public-private sector partnership through awareness programs, dialogue, policy research and advocacy.	Advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project.
10	African Women's Economic Policy Network <a href="http://www.awepon.org">www.awepon.org</a>	Uganda	Strengthen the capacity of women especially at the grassroots and national levels to influence the shape of economic policy	Adjunct partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
11	Organisation Development and Community Management Trust	Zambia	Working in the area of capacity building for civil society organisations engaged in poverty alleviation for sustainable development	Advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
12	Southern African Regional Poverty Network (SARPN) <a href="http://www.sarpn.org.za">www.sarpn.org.za</a>	Zambia	Contribute to the sustainable reduction of poverty through effective pro-poor policy, strategy and practice in the SADC region	Advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project

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<i>Asia</i>				
1	Unnayan Shamannay <a href="http://www.shamunnay.org">www.shamunnay.org</a>	Bangladesh	Coordinated developmental activities, not in the narrow sense, but in the wider context of a living society	Research and advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project  Research and Advocacy partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I & II)
2	Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies <a href="http://www.bids-bd.org">www.bids-bd.org</a>	Bangladesh	Conduct study and research and disseminate knowledge in the field of economic development, population studies, human resources and other social sciences	Research partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I)
3	Federation of Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce & Industry <a href="http://www.fbcci.org">www.fbcci.org</a>	Bangladesh	Promote the interests of its members units both Chambers and Associations bodies; develop trade, industry, agriculture, human resources and communication sectors in Bangladesh	Adjunct partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I & II)

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4	Economic Institute of Cambodia <a href="http://www.eicambodia.org">www.eicambodia.org</a>	Cambodia	Enhance the awareness of Cambodian stakeholders on development issues and to participate in the formulation of sustainable economic development policies and strategies that will equitably benefit the Cambodians	Research & advocacy partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring Mekong-Ganga Relationship" project  Research & advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
5	National Economic Research Institute <a href="http://www.neri.org.cn">www.neri.org.cn</a>	China	Provide research findings and policy analyses to the government, the mass and the business circles	Research and advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project  Research partner of "Devising a Comprehensive IBSA (India-Brazil-South Africa) Strategy on WTO Agriculture Negotiations" project
6	UNCTAD-India Programme <a href="http://www.unctadindia.org">www.unctadindia.org</a>	India	Implementing "Strategies and Preparedness for Trade and Globalisation in India"	Adjunct partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project  Research & advocacy partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring Mekong-Ganga Relationship" project  Adjunct partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I & II)

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7	Research and Information System for the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries. (RIS) <a href="http://www.ris.org.in">www.ris.org.in</a>	India	Acts as an advisory body to the Government of India on matters pertaining to multilateral economic and social issues, including regional and sub-regional cooperation arrangements, as may be referred to it from time to time	Research & advocacy partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring Mekong-Ganga Relationship" project
8	Consumer Rights, Education & Awareness Trust	India	Enhance the voice of the consumers, educating them and securing fulfilment of consumer rights	Networking partner of "Grassroots Reachout & Networking in India on Trade & Economics" project
9	SAMARTHAN	India	Working for the rights of women and children	Networking partner of "Grassroots Reachout & Networking in India on Trade & Economics" project
10	Centre for Youth and Social Development <a href="http://www.cysd.org">www.cysd.org</a>	India	Work for the development of deprived and marginalised sector in Orissa	Networking partner of "Grassroots Reachout & Networking in India on Trade & Economics" project
11	Citizen consumer and civic Action Group <a href="http://www.cag.org.in">www.cag.org.in</a>	India	Campaign for greater access to information, monitoring the functioning of public utilities and natural environment	Networking partner of "Grassroots Reachout & Networking in India on Trade & Economics" project  Advocacy partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I)
12	Network of Entrepreneurship & Economic Development <a href="http://www.indev.nic.in/need">www.indev.nic.in/need</a>	India	Economic and socio-political empowerment of women	Networking partner of "Grassroots Reachout & Networking in India on Trade & Economics" project

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13	Consumer Guidance Society	India	Economic issues and consumer protection in the state of Andhra Pradesh	Networking partner of "Grassroots Reachout & Networking in India on Trade & Economics" project
14	Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) <a href="http://www.ficci.com">www.ficci.com</a>	India	A rallying point for free enterprises in India. To empower Indian businesses, in the changing times, to shore up their competitiveness and enhance their global reach	Adjunct partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring Mekong-Ganga Relationship" project  Adjunct partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring IBSA Initiative" project  Adjunct partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I)
15	The Centre for Studies in Social Sciences (CSSS) <a href="http://www.cssscal.org">www.cssscal.org</a>	India	Undertakes, aids, promotes and co-ordinates research in social sciences, with special emphasis on the problems of the eastern region and West Bengal	Research partner of "Mainstreaming Trade into National Development Strategy"
16	Institute of Development Studies (IDS) <a href="http://www.idsj.org">www.idsj.org</a>	India	Design interventions for grassroot organisations that are concentratedly attempting to cope with the problems of deprivation in a specific area.	Research partner of "Documenting advocacy practices involving local partners involving local stakeholders with the process of trade and globalisation in Indian States"

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17	National University of Laos, <a href="http://www.nuol.edu.la">www.nuol.edu.la</a>	Lao PDR	Rationalise the Higher Education of Lao PDR, making it more efficient and more effective in its task of training human resources for the country	Research & advocacy partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring Mekong-Ganga Relationship" project
18	Mekong Private Sector Development Facility <a href="http://www.mpdf.org">www.mpdf.org</a>	Lao PDR	Support and accelerate the development of productive locally-owned, private sector, small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) in Vietnam, Cambodia and Lao PDR	Adjunct partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring Mekong-Ganga Relationship" project
19	South Asia Watch on Trade, Economics & Environment <a href="http://www.sawtee.org">www.sawtee.org</a>	Nepal	Build the capacity of concerned stakeholders in South Asia, by equipping them with knowledge, information and skills to voice their concerns, particularly in the context of liberalisation and globalisation	Research partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project  Research partner of "WTO Doha round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I & II)
20	Forum for the Protection of Public interest <a href="http://www.propublic.org">www.propublic.org</a>	Nepal	Environmental justice, pollution prevention and control, good governance, protection of natural and cultural heritage, gender discrimination and consumer protection	Advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project  Advocacy partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I)
21	Federation of Nepalese Chamber of Commerce & Industry <a href="http://www.fncci.org">www.fncci.org</a>	Nepal	Promoting business and industry while protecting the rights and interests of business and industrial communities	Adjunct partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project. (phase I)



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22	National Institute of WTO & International Trade Laws	Pakistan	Research and analysis of the policies of WTO	Research partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
23	Pakistan Institute of Development Economics <a href="http://www.pide.org.pk">www.pide.org.pk</a>	Pakistan	Theoretical and empirical research in development economics in general and on Pakistan-related economic issues in particular	Research partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I)
24	WTO Watch Group	Pakistan	Develop critical awareness and pressure regarding Pakistan's engagement with the WTO and its implications through research, monitoring and advocacy	Advocacy partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (Phase I)
25	Federation of Pakistani Chamber of Commerce & Industry <a href="http://www.fpcci.com.pk">www.fpcci.com.pk</a>	Pakistan	Promote, encourage and safeguard the interest of private sector in Pakistan and to serve as a bridge between the business community and the government	Adjunct partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (phase I)
26	Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) <a href="http://www.sdpi.org">www.sdpi.org</a>	Pakistan	Provides the global sustainable development community with representation from Pakistan as well as South Asia as a whole.	Advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project  Research partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project (Phase II)

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27	Institute of Policy Studies <a href="http://www.ips.lk">www.ips.lk</a>	Sri Lanka	Socio-economic research requiring long term commitment, and be geared to provide informed analysis to national planners and policy makers in the country and the wider region	Research partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project  Research partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project
28	Law & Society Trust <a href="http://www.lawandsocietytrust.org">www.lawandsocietytrust.org</a>	Sri Lanka	Improve public awareness on civil and political rights; social, economic and cultural rights and equal access to justice	Advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project  Advocacy partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project
29	Federation of Chamber of Commerce & Industry of Sri Lanka <a href="http://www.fccisl.org">www.fccisl.org</a>	Sri Lanka	Promote commerce & industry and develop private entrepreneurship	Adjunct partner of "WTO Doha Round & South Asia: Linking Civil Society with Trade Negotiations" project
30	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific <a href="http://www.unescap.org">www.unescap.org</a>	Thailand	Promote economic and social development through regional and subregional cooperation and integration	Adjunct partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring Mekong-Ganga Relationship" project
31	Institute of World Economics and Politics (IWEP) <a href="http://www.iwep.org.vn">www.iwep.org.vn</a>	Vietnam	Conducting research on theories and models of economic development that help resolving current socio-economic problems of Vietnam. It attempts to anticipate the emerging issues and to be ready with practical ideas to inform and shape public debate.	Research & advocacy partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring Mekong-Ganga Relationship" project

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32	Centre for Development and Integration	Vietnam	Analysing the emerging socio-economy and poverty issues	Research and advocacy partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
<b>Rest of the world</b>				
1	The Latin American Faculty of Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO) <a href="http://www.flacso.org.ar">www.flacso.org.ar</a>	Argentina	Promote critical investigation of the problems of the Latin American social reality in the understood one that the study object is the analysis of the concrete social processes	Adjunct partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring IBSA Initiative" project
2	Institute for International Trade Negotiations Studies (ICONE) <a href="http://www.iconebrasil.org.br">www.iconebrasil.org.br</a>	Brazil	Carry out applied research work to support international negotiations, particularly in the areas of agribusiness, thus contributing to a broader integration of Brazil into the world economy	Research and advocacy partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring IBSA Initiative" project
3	Institute of Applied Economic Research (IEAR) <a href="http://www.ipea.gov.br">www.ipea.gov.br</a>	Brazil	Produce macroeconomic, sectoral and thematic research, projections and studies with intention to subsidise the government in the production, analysis and diffusion of information come back toward the planning and the formularisation of politics	Adjunct partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring IBSA Initiative" project  Research partner of "Devising a Comprehensive IBSA Strategy on WTO Agriculture Negotiations" project
4	Instituto Universitario de Pesquisas do Rio de Janeiro (IUPERJ) <a href="http://www.iuperj.br">www.iuperj.br</a>	Brazil	Promote post graduate research works	Adjunct partner of "South-South Economic Cooperation: Exploring IBSA Initiative" project

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5	International Lawyers & Economists Against Poverty <a href="http://www.ileapinitiative.com">www.ileapinitiative.com</a>	Canada	Provide practical, timely and independent interdisciplinary trade advice and assistance in trade negotiations to developing countries	Adjunct partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
6	United Nations University, World Institute for Development Economics Research (WIDER) <a href="http://www.wider.unu.edu">www.wider.unu.edu</a>	Finland	Undertake multidisciplinary research and policy analysis on structural changes affecting the living conditions of the world's poorest people	Adjunct partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
7	The Evian Group <a href="http://www.eviangroup.org">www.eviangroup.org</a>		Create a global trade and investment environment that will promote prosperity and a dynamic and constructive dialogue between key stakeholders especially in Asia and Europe	Adjunct partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project
8	Overseas Development Institute <a href="http://www.odi.org.uk">www.odi.org.uk</a>	UK	Inspire and inform policy and practice which leads to reduction of poverty, the alleviation of suffering and the achievement of sustainable livelihoods in developing countries	Research partner of "Linkages between Trade, Development & Poverty Reduction" project.  Research partner of "Devising a Comprehensive IBSA Strategy on WTO Agriculture Negotiations" project

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9	The Centre for the Analysis of Regional Integration at the University of Sussex (CARIS)  <a href="http://www.sussex.ac.uk">www.sussex.ac.uk</a>	UK	Leading research University. Has an innovative style of teaching and for the quality and range of its research work.	Research Partner of "India-EU RTA: Feasibility and scope of a deep agreement" project
10	Institute of Agriculture and Trade Policy  <a href="http://www.iatp.org">www.iatp.org</a>	USA	Promotes resilient family farms, rural communities and ecosystems around the world through research and education, science and technology, and advocacy	Research partner of "Devising a Comprehensive IBSA Strategy on WTO Agriculture Negotiations" project