

# Shaping South Asia's Future in the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR)

**26 - 27  
September  
2019**  
Colombo,  
Sri Lanka

**CALL  
FOR  
PAPERS**

Academics, policymakers and other stakeholders who are interested in South Asian affairs are invited to submit research papers for presentation at the 12th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES XII) to be held in Colombo, Sri Lanka, 26-27 September 2019.

SAES XII is organised by the Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS) in collaboration with Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD), Bangladesh; Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), India; Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), Pakistan and South Asia Watch on Trade, Economics and Environment (SAWTEE), Nepal.

## FOCUS OF SAES XII

SAES XII will focus on the theme of Shaping South Asia's Future in the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR). The 4IR ushers in a new era in which digital smart technology is changing the way we live, work and learn, bringing about opportunities of challenges for South Asia. SAES XII welcomes papers on the following topics but not limited to

- South Asia and the 4IR: Supporting Growth and Equity
- Providing Macroeconomic Stability for Growth
- Promoting Trade with the 4IR
- Harnessing the 4IR to Meet Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Meeting the Challenges in the New World of Work
- Gender Implications of 4IR
- Managing Labour Migration in the 4IR
- Changing the World of Work for Youth
- Promoting Innovation and Disruption
- Fostering Innovation in South Asia
- Strengthening Governance in the 4IR
- Adopting Technology for Sustainable Agriculture
- Engaging with Business and Civil Society in the 4IR
- Promoting Collaborative South Asian Regional Initiatives through 4IR

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Submission deadline  
(full paper):  
30 June  
2019**

**Notification of review  
results:  
15 July  
2019**

**Revised/final paper  
submission:  
15 August  
2019**

## PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Selected paper writers will be invited to present at the SAES XII and final papers will be considered for publication in a special edition of the South Asia Economic journal (SAEJ), which is published by Sage, India in association with IPS and RIS, subject to peer review.

Further details about submission of paper in SAEJ are available at

<https://in.sagepub.com/en-in/sas/journal/south-asia-economic-journal#submission-guidelines>

Please send in your paper (5000 - 8000 words) as a Word document containing a title, name, and affiliation of the author(s), contact information by email to [prabirde@ris.org.in](mailto:prabirde@ris.org.in) and [janaka@ips.lk](mailto:janaka@ips.lk)

## FUNDING

The organisers will cover the cost of economy class travel, local airport transfers and accommodation for the duration of the Summit for primary authors (based in South Asia) of the selected papers.