

ARTNeT-PEP Policy Forum on Trade, Investment and Domestic Policy Coherence for Inclusive Growth

Date: 9 December 2008

Venue: Dusit Thani Hotel, Manila, Philippines

Programme

Tuesday, 9 December 2008

08:30 – 09:00 **Registration**

09:00 – 09:15 **Welcome messages**

- Honorable Thomas G. Aquino, Senior Undersecretary International Trade Group of the Department of Trade and Industry (Philippines)
- Ravi Ratnayake, Trade and Investment Division, UNESCAP (read by Evan Due, International Development Research Centre, Canada)
- Celia Reyes, co-director, PEP Network

09:15 – 10:45 **Session 1: Trade and investment for inclusive growth: evidence and elements of a coherent policy framework**

Chair: John Cockburn, Poverty and Economic Policy (PEP) Network, Canada

- Alan Dearnorff, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, U.S.A.
- Ramos Mabagu, Financial and Fiscal Commission, South Africa.
 - Discussant 1: Evan Due, International Development Research Centre, Canada
 - Discussant 2: Fan Zhai, Asian Development Bank Institute, Japan

10:45 – 11:00 **Coffee Break**

11:00 - 12:30 **Session 2: Trade and inclusive growth: mechanisms for more inclusive policy making**

Chair: David Carpenter, Research Manager, AusAID

- Ponciano Intal, Director of Angelo King Institute, Philippines
- Posh Raj Pandey, SAWTEE, Nepal
 - Discussant 1: Joseph Yap, President, Philippines Institute for Development Studies (PIDS), Philippines
 - Discussant 2: Supperamian Manickam, Advisor to the Federation of Malaysian Manufacturer and ARTNeT

12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch**

14:00 – 15:30 **Session 3: Inclusive growth and poverty dynamics**

Chair: Gloria Pasadilla, Philippine Institute of Development Studies (PIDS), Philippines

- Dileni Gunewardena, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka
- Veronique Robichaud, PEP, Canada
 - Discussant 1: Guanghua Wan, ADB, Philippines

- Discussant 2: Renata Flores, Fundação Getulio Vargas, Brazil

15:30 – 15:45 **Break**

15:45 – 17:15 **Session 4: Reducing regional disparities through regional integration**

Chair: Randy Spence, Executive Director, Economic and Social Development, Sri Lanka (ESDA)

- Saman Kelegama, Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies, Sri Lanka
- Selim Raihan, Director, SANEM, Bangladesh
 - Discussant 1: Florian Albuero, Executive Director, CATIF, and ARTNeT Research Team Leader
 - Discussant 2: Douglas Brooks, ADBI, Japan

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