

# SOUTH ASIAN DIASPORA CONVENTION 2013

## Connecting Global South Asians

Hosted by the National University of Singapore's Institute of South Asian Studies (ISAS), the second South Asian Diaspora Convention (SADC) will bring together more than 40 of the region's leading policymakers and business leaders, celebrated authors, award-winning journalists and artists, and civil society leaders. The speakers will discuss and debate critical topics in business, economy, policy, and the arts that would affect the region's future and its role in global geopolitics in the 21st century.

Over 1,500 delegates will participate in this two-day convention and a South Asia business meet will also be featured to foster a better understanding of the lucrative investment opportunities in the region.

Join in the conversation on South Asia this November – register at [www.sadc-singapore.com](http://www.sadc-singapore.com) today!

## Business Opportunities

SADC 2013 offers a targeted platform for companies and investment zones to showcase their products and services; secure an exhibition booth for SGD6,000 to attract South Asian diaspora investors and have onsite meetings with them.

### Entitlements and benefits:

- 9sqm shell scheme booth
- 2 x complimentary conference and gala dinner passes
- Insertion of brochure in delegate kits

Contact the Secretariat to find out more or to apply as an exhibitor.



From left to right, top to bottom: **Mr Teo Chee Hean**, Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs, Singapore; **Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance, Singapore; **Mr K Shanmugam**, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Law, Singapore; **Dr Shashi Tharoor**, Minister of State, Human Resource Development, India; **Dr Mallika Sarabhai**, Director, Darpana Academy of Performing Arts, New Delhi, India; **Mr Binod K Chaudhary**, President, Chaudhary Group, and Chairman, Cinnovation Group, Nepal; **Ms Barkha Dutt**, Group Editor, NDTV, India; **Mr S Gopalakrishnan**, President, Confederation of Indian Industry; and Co-Founder and Executive Vice Chairman, Infosys Limited, India; **Mr Anand Mahindra**, Chairman and Managing Director, Mahindra Group, India; **Ms Nandita Das**, Film actress and Director, India; **Mr Yaseen Anwar**, Governor, State Bank of Pakistan



“With Singapore providing a neutral and dynamic platform, we aim to foster deeper links within the South Asian diaspora as well as between South and South East Asia.”

**Amb Gopinath Pillai**  
Chairman, ISAS





# Conference Programme

DAY 1: 21 November, Thursday		DAY 2: 22 November, Friday
MORNING	<p><b>Keynote Address</b> by <b>Mr Teo Chee Hean</b>, Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs, Singapore</p> <p><b>Interactive Dialogue</b> Asia and the World</p>	<p><b>Plenary</b> Cross Border Regulations and Access to Financial Markets</p> <p><b>Presentation</b> Indian Heritage Centre</p>
AFTERNOON	<p><b>Plenary</b> South Asian Regionalism: Challenges and Opportunities</p> <p><b>Book Launch</b> <i>The Art of Sukumar Bose: Reflections on South and Southeast Asia</i></p> <p><b>Parallel Sessions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared Narratives: The Cultural Underpinnings of a Region</li> <li>• Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) India Symposium</li> <li>• People Power: Social Entrepreneurship and Change</li> <li>• Capital Flows: Investing in the Region</li> <li>• Inclusive Banking: The Model for South Asia</li> </ul>	<p><b>Plenary</b> Business Opportunities: What the Region Promises</p> <p><b>Interactive Dialogue</b> Dynamics of South Asia</p> <p><b>Parallel Sessions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Media and the Arts: South Asian Representations</li> <li>• Panel Discussion on The Encyclopedia of the Sri Lankan Diaspora</li> </ul> <p><b>In Conversation</b> Global Connections and Visions for a Region</p>
EVENING	<p><b>Gala Dinner</b> graced by the President of Singapore, Dr Tony Tan Keng Yam. <b>The Encyclopedia of the Sri Lankan Diaspora</b> will also be launched by Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance of Singapore.</p>	

Programme subject to change

## Speakers and Moderators

Among our confirmed speakers are:

**Sir Fazle Hasan Abed**

Founder and Chairman, Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee, Bangladesh

**Dr Sarath Amunugama**

Senior Minister, International Monetary Co-operation; and Deputy Minister, Finance & Planning, Sri Lanka

**Dr Tahmima Anam**

Novelist, Bangladesh

**Mr Magnus Böcker**

Chief Executive Officer & Executive and Non-Independent Director, Singapore Exchange

**Ms Meira Chand**

Novelist, Singapore

**Mr Mohsin Hamid**

Novelist, Pakistan

**Dr Arjumand Hashmi**

Mayor, Paris-Texas, USA

**Prof Tommy Koh**

Ambassador-at-Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore

**Prof Kishore Mahbubani**

Dean and Professor in the Practice of Public Policy, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore

**Mr Vikram Mehta**

Chairman, Brookings India

**Mr Atiur Rahman**

Governor, Bangladesh Bank, Bangladesh

**Mr Malvinder Mohan Singh**

Executive Chairman, Fortis Healthcare, India

**Mr Claude Smadja**

President, Smadja & Associates Strategic Advisory, Switzerland



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