

South-South Cooperation

Relations between Latin America and Asia

Overview

The 21st century has witnessed several changes in the balance of power in the international system at the political and economic level, confronting diverse crises, mostly financial in nature. A unipolar world, dominant after the end of the Cold War, is giving way to multipolarity, mainly in the economic arena. In the first decade of the 21st century, this new multipolarity saw the rise of several emerging economies and a wide variety of other international actors as well as a renaissance of South-South Cooperation (SSC). Nevertheless systemic constraints coupled with economic and financial difficulties have led to “an impasse” in the present trend, showing that these processes are not so linear and that South-South Cooperation is under analysis in this second decade.

Hence the purpose of this seminar course is to analyze and discuss the evolution and results of South-South Cooperation in its second phase in the 21st Century, taking into account its first steps in the 60's and 70's. The course will address the dynamics of South/South Cooperation and its revival in the first decade of the 21st Century from a Latin American perspective, seeking to describe the regional context, the relations developed between the region's countries and the “Global South” in an attempt to unveil the pitfalls in the promotion of a more fruitful and mutually beneficial cooperation in the face of the challenges of a turbulent second decade.

We will be looking at South-South Cooperation strategies that emerged in the Foreign Policies of Latin American countries, and within this context, and from a Mercosur perspective, we will deal with the cooperation displayed from Latin America towards African and Asian countries, particularly in the case of India. Furthermore, and taking into consideration the present relations between Brazil and India in IBSA and BRICS, we propose to discuss the viability and sustainability of these links in a context dominated by economic constraints and financial restrictions either from the international or the domestic arena.

Objectives

The primary objectives of the course are as follows:

1. Examine various aspects of South-South Cooperation along its evolution and recent developments
2. Discuss the causes (structural or conjunctural) of its revival in the 21st Century
3. Address South-South Cooperation from the Latin American perspective
4. Concentrate on Latin America- India international relations
5. Analyse Brazil- India cooperation within the IBSA and BRICS context
6. Evaluate South-South Cooperation in the face of possible systemic turbulences

LECTURE-WISE COURSE PLAN (29 November – 3 December 2016)

TUESDAY, 29 November 2016:

- **INAUGURATION:** 10:00 am – 10:30 am
- **Lecture 1:** 10.30am – 11.45 am
 - **Debates concerning the nature of South-South Cooperation**Tea/Coffee Break
- **Lecture 2:** 12:15pm – 1:30pm
 - **South-South Cooperation perceived as a political tool**

WEDNESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2016:

- **Lecture 3:** 10:00 am – 11:15 am
 - **Origins of South-South Cooperation in the 60's and 70's**Tea/Coffee Break
- **Lecture 4:** 11:45 am – 1.00 pm
 - **Renaissance of South-South Cooperation in the 21st Century**

THURSDAY, 01 DECEMBER 2016:

- **Lecture 5 :**10:00 am – 11:15 am
 - **South-South Cooperation from the Latin American perspective**Tea/Coffee Break
- **Lecture 6:**11.45 am– 1:00 pm
 - **Latin American Cooperation with Africa and Asia**

FRIDAY, 02 DECEMBER 2016:

- **Lecture 7 :**10:00 am – 11:15 am
 - **Latin America-India International Relations and South-South Cooperation**Tea/Coffee Break
- **Lecture 8:** 11.45 am– 1:00 pm
 - **Brazil-India cooperation within the IBSA and BRICS context**

SATURDAY, 03 DECEMBER AUGUST 2016:

- **Lecture 9:**10:00 pm – 11.15 pm
 - **South-South Cooperation perspectives for the future**Tea/Coffee Break
- **Lecture 10:** 11.45 pm -1.00 pm
 - **Concluding Remarks: Success and viability of South South Cooperation**
- **Examination and Evaluation:**2:00 pm – 3 pm
- **Concluding Session and Certificate Distribution:** 3:15- 3.45 pm

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| Duration and Venue | <p>Duration: 29 Nov – 03 December 2016</p> <p>Venue: Tagore Hall Conference Room, Administrative Block, Jamia Millia Islamia</p> <p><i>Number of participants for the course will be limited to forty.</i></p> |
| Who can attend the course | <p>Academics, research scholars, research associates, masters students with an interest in social sciences, humanities, area studies, etc., from universities, research institutions and think tanks.</p> <p>Executives from business enterprises, chambers of commerce and government organizations.</p> |
| Fees | <p>The participation fees for taking the course is as follows:</p> <p>Students and Teachers: Rs 500</p> <p>Others: Rs 1000</p> <p>Participants from SAARC Countries (other than India): USD 200</p> <p>Participants from abroad (non-SAARC countries): USD 300</p> <p><i>The above fee include all instructional materials, stationary kit, refreshments and certificates.</i></p> |
| How to register for the Course | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Applicants are required to first register online at the GIAN portal <http://www.gian.iitkgp.ac.in/GREGN/index>. This is one-time registration. Those who have registered earlier for other course(s) can skip this process. 2. Log into your GIAN account; click the 'Course Registration' tab; check the appropriate check box mentioned against this Course from the list of courses; click 'Save' and 'Confirm Courses' buttons to register and make your application for the Course. Subsequent to this you will receive a confirmation mail from the organisers. 3. Upon receiving the confirmation mail from the organisers, you will be required to pay the registration fee for the course (as indicated above). The registration fee is to be made by demand draft in favour of 'THE REGISTRAR, JAMIA MILLIA ISLAMIA', payable at NEW DELHI and deposited in the office of the Centre for European and Latin American Studies by 5 pm on 22 November 2016. A demand draft may also be sent through the post to 'The Director, Centre for European and Latin American Studies, Nelson Mandela House, Mujeeb Bagh, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi 110025. |

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The Faculty



Visiting Faculty

Gladys Teresita Lechini is an accredited professor of International Relations from the Faculty of Political Science and International Relations, National University of Rosario, Argentina. Prof. Lechini is a renowned Latin American Scholar with 10 books, more than 40 chapters and several articles to her credit.

She has a PhD in Sociology (Faculty of Philosophy, Literature and Human Sciences, University of São Paulo, 2003) and Masters in Social Sciences, with special mention on Political Science (Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences - FLACSO- 1995). She has a degree in Political Science (1974) and in International Relations (1975), Faculty of Political Science and International Relations, National University of Rosario –UNR-. She speaks English, French and Portuguese, besides Spanish. Presently she is Professor of International Relations at the National University of Rosario, Senior Research Fellow of the National Council for Scientific Research (CONICET), Director of the PhD Programme on International Relations, Faculty of Political Science and International Relations, UNR, Director of the Program on South-South Relations and Cooperation –PRECSUR (www.catedrarii.com.ar) - and of the Rosario Institute of Studies of the Arab and Islamic World –IREMAI- (<http://www.unr.edu.ar/rectorado>), Coordinator of the African Department at the International Relations Institute, National University of La Plata.

She is also Visiting Professor at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Spain; Universidade do Estado de Rio de Janeiro and Universidade de Brasília, Brazil; Università degli Studi di Padova, Italy; Institut d'Études Politiques de Bordeaux, France; Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, Universidad Nacional de Santiago del Estero and Catholic University of Santa Fe, Argentina.

Host Faculty



Sonya Surabhi Gupta is Professor of Latin American Studies and currently Director of the Centre for European and Latin American Studies in the Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi. She did her MA in Spanish and later her Ph.D from the Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, with a thesis on the poetry of the Spanish Republican exile in Latin America. She studied in the Universidad Complutense, Madrid and trained in Spanish language at the Escuela Oficial de Idiomas in Madrid on a Spanish Government scholarship. Her current interests centre on Translation Studies and Literary and Cultural Studies in the Latin American and Indian contexts. Prof. Gupta's publications include translation from Spanish to Hindi of several important works such as: *Cien años de soledad* [One Hundred Years of Solitude] of 1982 Nobel Prize Winner Gabriel García Márquez (*Ekant Ke Sau Varsh*, Rajkamal Prakashan: New Delhi, 2003); the translation of the 1989 Nobel Prize Winner Camilo José Cela's *La familia de Pascual Duarte* [The Family of Pascual Duarte] (*Pascual Duarte ka Parivar*, Rajkamal Prakashan: New Delhi, 1990) and also of *La rebelión de las masas* [Revolt of the Masses] of Spanish philosopher José Ortega y Gasset (*Jansamuhon ka Vidroh*, Rajkamal Prakashan, New Delhi, 1998). She has also published an anthology of stories by Indian women writers in Spanish titled *Lihaf: Cuentos de mujeres de la India* (Madrid: horas y Horas, 2001). Prof. Gupta has taught in several prestigious institutions like the University of Delhi, Jawaharlal Nehru University, The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad and IIM Ahmadabad. Prof. Gupta has lectured extensively in universities and cultural institutions in India and abroad, particularly in Spain and Latin America.