

Discussion on Infrastructure: Reflections from ICT, Energy, and Road Sectors

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Time	Speakers	Themes
8:30-9:15 am	<i>Registration, Tea and Breakfast</i>	
9:15-9:30 am	Yogesh Raj, Martin Chautari	<i>Welcome and Opening Remarks</i>
Panel 1: Information Communication Technology (ICT) [Session Moderator: Birodh Rijal, Integrated ICT]		
9:30-9:45	Samit Jana, WorldLink Communications	Infrastructure required to guarantee uninterrupted Internet service
9:45-10:00	Saligram Parajuli, Nepal Telecom	How telecoms ensure 24/7/365 days service?
10:00-10:15	Arjun Ghimire, Nepal Telecommunications Authority	Existing telecommunication infrastructure and future projects
10:15-10:45	<i>Open Discussion</i>	
10:45-11:00	Break	
Panel 2: Energy [Session Chair/Moderator: Dwarika N. Dhungel, Former Secretary, GoN]		
11:00-11:15	Kumar Pandey, National Hydropower Company	Public and private investment in the hydropower sector
11:15-11:30	Shree Raj Shakya, Centre for Energy Studies, Pulchowk Campus	A commentary on existing energy structure and the space of alternative energy in Nepal
11:30-11:45	Dipak Gyawali, Nepal Water Conservation Foundation	Structure of Nepali hydropower in the federal Nepal
11:45 am-12:30 pm	<i>Open Discussion</i>	
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch Break	
Panel 3: Road [Session Chair/Moderator: Bandana Gyawali, Martin Chautari]		
1:30-1:45	Surya Raj Acharya, Infrastructure expert	Investment on roads
1:45-2:00	Keshab Kumar Sharma, Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport	Road maintenance: policy and practice
2:00-2:15	Usha Titikshu, Photo Journalist/activist	<i>Sadak Kasko (सडक कस्को) ?</i>
2:15-3:00	<i>Open Discussion</i>	
3:00-3:10	Devraj Humagain, Martin Chautari	Closing remarks
3:10	Tea	
4:00-5:30	Third Chautari Foundation Lecture by Renu Adhikari/Rajbhandari	Pace and Direction of Nepali Women Movement
5:30	Hi-tea	