

Public Panel Discussion

INDIA – U.S. PERSPECTIVES ON ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE: Opportunities for Cooperation

Tuesday, February 11, 2014 2:00 – 3:30PM

The Aspen Institute

One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC

India and the United States have an opportunity to forge a reinvigorated partnership to advance low carbon economic development, energy access, energy security, and climate resilience for both countries.

This moderated panel discussion will explore the future of such potential bilateral, multilateral, and subnational cooperation between the two countries.

Moderator: Manish Bapna, Executive Vice President and Managing Director, World Resources Institute

Panelists:

- Carol M. Browner, Distinguished Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress
- Jamshyd Godrej, Chairman and Managing Director, Godrej & Boyce Manufacturing Company Ltd.
- Mary Nichols, Chairman, California Air Resources Board
- Suresh Prabhu, Former Union Minister for Industry, Environment and Forests and Power









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Participant Biographies

Moderator:

Manish Bapna

Executive Vice President and Managing Director, World Resources Institute

Manish Bapna is the executive vice president and managing director of the World Resources Institute

(WRI). Previously, Manish was the executive director of the nonprofit Bank Information Center and a senior economist at the World Bank.

Panelists:

Carol M. Browner

Distinguished Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress and Senior Counselor, Albright Stonebridge Group

Carol M. Browner is Senior Counselor at Albright Stonebridge Group and a Distinguished Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress. Ms. Browner most recently served as Assistant to President Obama and director of the White House Office of Energy and Climate Change Policy, where she oversaw the coordination of environmental, energy, climate, transport, and related policy across the federal government.

Jamshyd Godrej

Chairman and Managing Director, Godrej and Boyce Manufacturing Company Ltd

Jamshyd N. Godrej is the chairman of the board of Godrej & Boyce Manufacturing Company Limited.

Godrej is the chairman emeritus of Aspen Institute India (now known as Ananta Aspen Centre) as well as chairman and trustee of Ananta Centre.

Mary Nichols

Chairman, California Air Resources Board

Mary Nichols, was reappointed Chairman of the California Air Resources Board by Governor Jerry Brown in January 2011, a post she previously held under Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger from 2007 to 2010 and under Governor Brown (during his first tenure) from 1979 to 1983. Prior to her return to the ARB, Ms. Nichols was Professor of Law and Director of the Institute of the Environment at UCLA.

Suresh Prabhu

Former Union Minister for Industry, Environment and Forests and Power

Mr. Suresh Prabhu is the former Indian federal cabinet minister of industry, energy, environment and forests, chemicals and fertilizers, heavy industry, and public enterprises. Prabhu was a member of parliament in the 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th Lok Sabha (1996–2009).