

PROGRAM FOR THE ASIA AND PACIFIC FORUM ON POVERTY

Policy and Institutional Reforms for Poverty Reduction

5-9 February 2001, ADB Headquarters, Manila

5 FEBRUARY 2001 (DAY ONE)

- 7:30 to 9:30 A.M. **Registration**
- 9:30 to 10:20 **Inauguration** (AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)
- 9:30 to 9:45 Opening song by children's choral group from the *Kaibigan Ermita Outreach Foundation*
- 9:45 to 9:50 Opening Remarks – *Yoshihiro Iwasaki, Officer-in-Charge, Economics and Development Resource Center, and Director, Programs Department (West), ADB*
- 9:50 to 10:05 Inaugural Address - *Tadao Chino, President, ADB*
- 10:05 to 10:20 Launching of Proceedings of the Manila Social Forum
Statement by *Yoshihiro Iwasaki, Officer-in-Charge, Economics and Development Resource Center, ADB*
Remarks on behalf of the World Bank by *Robert Holzmann Director, Social Protection Department, World Bank*, and video address from *James Wolfenson, President, World Bank* from Washington, D.C.
- 10:20 Release of the book by *Tadao Chino, President, ADB*
- 10:20 to 10:45 Coffee break
- 10:45 to 11:30 **Keynote Address** (AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)
- Chair: *Shoji Nishimoto, Director, Strategy and Policy Department, ADB*
- Address: *Nobel Laureate Robert Mundell, – “Poverty, growth, and the international monetary system”*
- 11:30 to 12:00 Addresses by the **Development Assistance Committee of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development**, the **United Nations Development Programme**, and the **International Monetary Fund**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)
- Jean-Claude Faure, Chairman, Development Assistance Committee, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development*

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Hafiz Pasha, Assistant Administrator and Director, Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations Development Programme

Masood Ahmed, Deputy Director, Policy Development and Review Department, International Monetary Fund

12:00 to 1:30 P.M. Lunch break

1:30 to 1:40 **Overview of the Forum** (AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

ADB's Poverty Reduction Policy and the Presidential Commission on Poverty – *Karti Sandilya, Manager, Poverty Reduction Unit, ADB*

Highlights of the Forum – *Brahm Prakash, Assistant Chief Economist, Economic Analysis and Research Division, ADB*

1:40 to 3:00 Plenary Addresses: (AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *Yoshihiro Iwasaki, Officer-in-Charge, Economics and Development Resource Center, and Director, Programs Department (West), ADB*

Graham Pyatt, Professor, Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, Netherlands – “Balanced development”

Mechai Viravaidya, Senator and Founding Director of the Population and Community Development Association, Thailand – “The privatization of poverty alleviation”

3:00 to 3:30 Coffee break

3:30 to 5:30 Plenary Panel Discussion – **The globalization of Asian and Pacific economies and its effects on poverty reduction efforts** (AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *Jungsoo Lee, ADB Director, Japan Representative Office, Tokyo*

Kaushik Basu, Professor, Department of Economics, Cornell University – “Marginalization in a globalizing world: Some plausible scenarios and suggestions for measurement”

Linda Low, Associate Professor, Department of Business Policy, National University of Singapore – “Policy frameworks and the impact of globalization on Asia's poor”

Discussant:

NGO representative: *Isagani Serrano, Senior Vice President, Philippine Rural Reconstruction Movement*

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*Malcolm Dowling, Professor, University of Melbourne, Australia –
“Comments on globalization for Asia and Pacific Forum on
Poverty”*

5:30 to 7:30 Opening cocktail reception (by invitation)
(EXECUTIVE DINING ROOM, SPECIAL FACILITIES BLOCK)

6 FEBRUARY 2001 (DAY TWO)

8:30 to 10:00 A.M. Plenary Session: **Macroeconomic growth and poverty
reduction in Asian and Pacific economies**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *Masaru Yoshitomi, Dean, ADB Institute, Tokyo*

*David Dollar, Head, Macroeconomics and Growth Group, World
Bank – “Trade, growth, and poverty”*

*Siddiqur Osmani, Professor, University of Ulster, Northern Ireland
– “Growth strategies and poverty reduction”*

*Wang Guoliang, Deputy Director of State Council’s Leading Group
Office on Poverty Alleviation and Development, People’s Republic
of China – “Growth and poverty reduction”*

Discussants:

*Charles Adams, Senior Economic Advisor, Economic
Development and Resource Center, ADB*

NGO representative: *Fernando Aldaba, Ateneo Center for Social
Policy and Public Affairs, Metro Manila*

10:00 to 10:20 Coffee break

10:20 to 12:15 THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS

Parallel Session 1 **Improving governance for poverty reduction**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *Ed Campos, Senior Governance Specialist, Poverty
Reduction Unit, ADB*

*Clay Wescott, Senior Public Administration Specialist, Programs
Department (West), ADB – “Pro-poor governance for reducing
poverty”*

*Hamid Sharif, Senior Counsel, Office of the General Counsel,
ADB – “Legal literacy and poverty reduction”*

*Laura Pascua, Assistant Secretary, Department of Budget and
Management, Government of the Philippines – “Operationalizing
the MTEF in the Philippines - a key to reducing poverty”*

Parallel Session 2 **Poverty, employment, and labor markets: Examination of inter-linkages and policy issues (AUDITORIUM ZONE D)**

Chair: *Rizwanul Islam, Director, Recovery and Reconstruction Department, International Labour Organization*

Branko Milanovic, Researcher, World Bank – “Inequality and determinants of earnings in Malaysia, 1984-1997”

Werner Blenk, Director of Manila Office, South-East Asia and the Pacific Team, International Labour Organization – “The importance of core labor standards in determining the welfare of the poor in Asia and the Pacific”

Discussants:

Trade Union representative: *Sabur Ghayur, Economist, ICFTU-APRO, Singapore*

Hal Ponder, Field Representative, Solidarity Philippines

Parallel Session 3 **METHODS FOR MEASUREMENT AND MONITORING OF POVERTY REDUCTION I**

Measurement of growth and poverty reduction (MINI-THEATER)

Chair: *Charles Adams, Senior Economic Advisor, Economic Development and Resource Center, ADB*

Peter Warr, Professor and Founding Director of the Poverty Research Centre, Australian National University – “Poverty reduction and economic growth: The Asian experience”

James Foster, Professor, Vanderbilt University – “Is economic growth good for the poor in Asia?”

Nanak Kakwani, Professor, University of New South Wales, Australia – “Growth and poverty reduction”

Discussants:

Graham Pyatt, Professor, Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, Netherlands

A.R. Kemal, Director, Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, Islamabad

Thomas Rumbaugh, Deputy Division Chief, Asia and Pacific Department, International Monetary Fund

12:15 to 1:45 P.M. Lunch break

1:45 to 3:15 THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS

Parallel Session 1 **Macroeconomics, public policy, and poverty reduction**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *Peter Warr, John Crawford Professor of Agricultural Economics, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University*

Ratna Sahay, Advisor to the First Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund – "Macroeconomic policies and poverty: The state of play and a research agenda"

Terry McKinley, Senior Economist, Bureau for Development Policy, United Nations Development Programme, New York – "Growth and poverty reduction"

Roy Culpeper, President, North-South Institute – "The debt situation of developing countries in Asia and the Pacific and its effects on poverty reduction efforts in the region"

Sudipto Mundle, Senior Programs Officer, Programs Department (West), ADB – "Macroeconomic policies and poverty outcomes: The Indian case"

Parallel Session 2 **Enhancing stakeholder participation in poverty reduction efforts** (AUDITORIUM ZONE D)

Chair: *Gordon Wilkinson, Senior Social Development Specialist, Social Development Division, ADB*

Bhuvan Bhatnagar, Senior Social Scientist, East Asia Region, World Bank -- "Participation in poverty strategies: The PRSP experience"

Brent Dark, Senior Poverty Reduction Coordinator, Programs Department (West), ADB — "Participation in program development in Lao People's Democratic Republic"

Bruce Moore, Coordinator, Popular Coalition for the Eradication of Hunger and Poverty – "Empowering the rural poor through access to productive assets and participation in decision-making"

Discussants:

Kari Nordheim-Larsen, Resident Representative, UNDP

Francis Lucas, Asian NGO Coalition for Agrarian Reform and Rural Development

Parallel Session 3 **METHODS FOR MEASUREMENT AND MONITORING OF POVERTY REDUCTION II**

Methods of Poverty Reduction Policies (MINI-THEATER)

Chair: *James Foster, Professor, Vanderbilt University*

Erik Thorbecke, Professor, Cornell University – “Poverty analysis and measurement within a general equilibrium framework”

Nanak Kakwani, Professor, University of New South Wales – “Pro-poor fiscal policies with an application to the Philippines”

Branko Milanovic, Researcher, World Bank – “Conflict between horizontal equity and maximum poverty reduction: How best to allocate funds to regions (an empirical analysis)”

Discussants:

Saman Kelegama, Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies, Colombo, Sri Lanka

Renata Lok-Dessallien, Deputy Resident Representative, Myanmar, United Nations Development Programme

3:15 to 3:45 Coffee break

3:45 to 5:30 THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS

Parallel Session 1 **Poverty of Opportunity in the Pacific Islands**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *Basudev Dahal, Director, Office of Pacific Operations, ADB*

Robert Siy, Jr., Manager, Pacific Operations Division, ADB – “Poverty assessment and strategy formulation in the Pacific Islands”

Vijay Naidu, Professor and Director of the Center for Development Studies, University of the South Pacific, Fiji – “Opening doors to more inclusive societies: The case of Pacific Island countries”

Crosbie Walsh, Adjunct Professor, University of the South Pacific, Fiji – “Poverty, politics, and the politics of race in the Pacific Island nations”

Discussants:

Mosese Waqa, Coordinating Committee, Pacific Islands Association of Non-government Organizations

Alistair Wilkinson, Senior Policy Advisor, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat

Paul Flanagan, Director, Development Policy, Australian Agency for International Development

Parallel Session 2 **Assessment of the poverty reduction effects of projects and programs** (AUDITORIUM ZONE D)

Chair: *David Edwards, Assistant Chief Economist, Project Economic Evaluation Division, ADB*

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Caroline Heider, Senior Poverty Specialist, Poverty Reduction Unit, ADB – "Evaluating antipoverty approaches and activities of the ADB"

Manabu Fujimura, Economist, EDEV, ADB – "Assessing the poverty impacts of projects"

Richard Bolt, Economist, EDEV, ADB – "Policy-based lending and poverty reduction: An overview"

John Weiss, Professor, University of Bradford, and Manabu Fujimura, Economist, EDEV, ADB – "Assessing the poverty impact of policy-based loans and project loans"

Discussant:

Macleod Nyirongo, Senior Deputy Resident Representative, Beijing, People's Republic of China, United Nations Development Programme

Parallel Session 3

METHODS FOR MEASUREMENT AND MONITORING OF POVERTY REDUCTION-II

Methodological Issues in Specifying Poverty Line (MINI-THEATER)

Chair: *Rajat Nag, Deputy Director, Programs Department (West), ADB*

Nanak Kakwani, Professor, University of New South Wales – "Specifying poverty lines"

Abuzar Asra, Senior Statistician, EDRC, ADB – "Some countries' experience and issue of specificity and consistency"

Gaurav Datt, Senior Economist, East Asia Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Unit – "Specifying poverty lines: How and why?"

Discussants:

Arsenio Balisacan, Professor, University of the Philippines, Dilliman

Erik Thorbecke, Professor, Cornell University

Tomas Africa, Administrator, National Statistical Office, Philippines

7 February 2001 (Day Three)

8:30 to 10:00 A.M. Plenary Session: **The Private Sector and Poverty Reduction** (AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *Christine Wallich, Head, Private Sector Group, and Director, Infrastructure, Energy and Financial Sectors Department (West), ADB*

Guy Pfeffermann, Chief Economics Advisor, International Finance Corporation – "Paths out of poverty"

Rusell Muir, Program Manager, Public-Private Infrastructure Advisory (PPIAF), World Bank – "Public-private partnership in infrastructure and poverty reduction: The PPIAF experience"

Lisette Provencher, Advisor, Maynilad Water Services, Inc., Philippines Office, Lyonnaise des Eaux Company – "Working together with the private sector: Better access to water for marginalized communities"

Jesus Tambunting, Ambassador, and Chairman and CEO, Planters Development Bank – "A credit model for small entrepreneurs and e-planters.com: The Planters Bank experience"

Ewa Tomaszewska, Solidarity Member of Parliament, Poland – "Dealing with fallout from privatization: Can entrepreneurship and SME support help?"

Christopher Chalmers, Program Manager, Private Sector Policy Department, Department for International Development, United Kingdom – "Corporate social responsibility: Ethical trade initiatives"

10:00 to 10:20 Coffee Break

10:20 to 12:15 THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS

Parallel Session 1 **Rural poverty and development policy in Asia**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *Bradford Philips, Manager, Agriculture and Rural Development Division (East), ADB*

Mahabub Hossain, Economist and Head, Social Sciences Division, International Rice Research Institute, Philippines – "The distribution of income in rural Asia: Findings from a multi-country study using village and household level data"

Arsenio Balisacan, Professor, University of the Philippines, Diliman – "Pathways of poverty reduction: Rural development and transmission mechanisms in the Philippines"

Davendra Chhetry, Professor, Tribhuvan University – "Understanding rural poverty in Nepal with micro/macro evidences and interrelationships"

Discussants:

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Dagmar Schumacher, Assistant Resident Representative, Vietnam, and Head, Poverty and Social Development Team, United Nations Development Programme

NGO representative: *Victoria Rialp, International Institute for Rural Reconstruction, Cavite, Philippines*

Private sector representative: *Ibrahim Hasan, President, Hasfarm International, Indonesia*

Parallel Session 2 **Social Protection in Asia and the Pacific:
Workshop 1 - Labor Market Policies (AUDITORIUM ZONE D)**

Chair: *William M. Fraser, Manager, Education, Health & Population Division (East), ADB*

Isabel Ortiz, Senior Economist, Strategy and Policy Department, ADB – “Social protection in Asia and the Pacific”

Paolo Verme, Labour Market Specialist/Consultant, ADB – “Moving targets: Labor market policies for the poor in the era of global risks (I)”

Alan Abraham, Labour Market Specialist/Consultant, ADB – “Labor market policies for the poor in the era of global risks (II)”

Noriyuki Suzuki, General Secretary, ICFTU-APRO – “Globalization and labor market challenges: The role of trade unions.”

Parallel Session 3 **Gender dimensions to poverty in South and Southeast Asia (MINI-THEATER)**

Chair: *Shireen Lateef, Senior Social Development Specialist, Social Development Division, ADB*

Lorraine Corner, Regional Programme Director, United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) – “Gender and poverty in the Asia and Pacific region: An overview”

Rehana Siddiqui, Senior Research Economist, Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, Islamabad – “Gender dimensions of poverty in Pakistan: An examination based on household survey data”

Enakshi Ganguly, Executive Secretary, HAQ-Center for Child Rights – “Women and poverty in India: Issues for concern”

H E Dr. Kantha Phavi Ing, Secretary of State, Ministry of Women’s and Veterans’ Affairs, Cambodia - “Gender and Poverty: Cambodia’s Experience”

Mayling Oey-Gardiner, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Economics, University of Indonesia – “Poverty and gender of household head”

Discussants:

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NGO representatives: *Violetta Corral, Bank Information Center, Washington D.C., USA*

Karen Tanada, Director, Women Action Network in Development

12:15 to 1:45 P.M. Lunch break

1:45 to 3:15 THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS

Parallel Session 1 **Basic services for the poor -- education, health and nutrition**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *William Fraser, Manager, Education, Health & Population Division (East), ADB*

Joseph Hunt, Senior Health and Nutrition Economist, Education, Health and Population Division (East), ADB – “Food policy and nutrition security: Lessons learned and new paradigms”

Peter Degen, Socio-Economist Technical Adviser, Mekong River Commission – “Food security and development in the Lower Mekong River Basin: Need for a regional approach”

Jaques Jeugmans, Senior Social Sectors Specialist, Education, Health and Population Division (East), ADB – “Improving the delivery of health care to the poor”

Parallel Session 2 **Social Protection in Asia and the Pacific:**
Workshop 2 - The Challenge of Social Insurance for All
(AUDITORIUM ZONE D)

Chair: *Shamshad Akhtar, Manager, Infrastructure, Energy, and Financial Sectors Department (East), ADB*

David Gent, Social Insurance Specialist/Consultant, ADB – “The challenge of social insurance for all”

Robert Holzmann, Director, Social Protection Department, World Bank – “Multi-pillar systems: A welfare enhancing approach to pension reform”

Mangun Kadarisman, Founder and Chairman of the Advisory Board, Indonesian Pension Funds Association – “Choice of a pension system to avert old-age poverty in developing countries”

Julie Rogers, Senior Banking Sector Specialist, Infrastructure, Energy, and Financial Sectors Department (East), ADB

Parallel Session 3 **Microfinance for poverty reduction (MINI-THEATER)**

Chair: *Nimal Fernando, Senior Project Economist (Microfinance), Agriculture and Rural Development Division (West), ADB*

Siddiqur Rahman, Deputy General Manager and Chief of the Training and Special Programs Department, Grameen Bank, Dhaka, Bangladesh – "The Grameen Bank approach to poverty reduction"

Shahid Khandker, Senior Researcher, World Bank – "Does micro-finance really help the poor? Evidence from Bangladesh"

Richard Meyer, Professor, Ohio State University – "Lessons learned about micro-finance and poverty reduction"

3:15 to 3:45 Coffee Break

3:45 to 5:30 THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS

Parallel Session 1 **Urban poverty and poverty reduction efforts in urban areas**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: Asad Shah, Manager, Water Supply, Urban Development and Housing Division (East), ADB

Dipak Mazumdar, Professor, University of Toronto – "Small-medium enterprise (SME) development in equitable growth and poverty alleviation"

Lin Yongsan, Vice Minister, Ministry of Labor and Social Security, People's Republic of China – "Urban poverty mitigation in the People's Republic of China"

Discussants:

Jagannath Murthy, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation

Ingrid Cyimana, Team Leader, Poverty Cluster, United Nations Development Programme

Parallel Session 2 **Social Protection in Asia and the Pacific:**
3:45 to 4:45 **Workshop 3 - Equitable growth and access: The role of social assistance** (AUDITORIUM ZONE D)

Chair: Dieter Bucher, Senior Capacity Building Specialist, ADBI

Fiona Howell, Social Assistance Specialist/Consultant, ADB – "Equitable growth and access: The role of social assistance"

Wilfredo Nuqui, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok – "Progress report on ESCAP projects on social safety nets"

Judy Roberts, Regional Director, Help Age International – "Keep our hands active: A positive response to the challenge of social protection and old-age in the 21st century (Including older people in the global fight against chronic poverty)"

4:45 to 5:30 **Social Protection in Asia and the Pacific:
Workshop 4 - Child protection: Cost or investment?**
(AUDITORIUM ZONE D)

Chair: *Edward Haugh, Manager, Education, Health and Population Division (West), ADB*

Peter Ian Crawford, Child Protection Specialist/Consultant, ADB – “Child protection: Cost or investment?”

Sedfrey Candelaria, Director, AKAP, Ateneo Human Rights Center – “Child protection program“

Joseph Hunt, Senior Project Economist, Education, Health and Population Division (East), ADB

Charles Currin, Lead Education Sector Specialist, Office of the Director, Agriculture and Social Sectors Department (East), ADB – “Investing in Children”

Parallel Session 3 **Natural resources and environment (MINI-THEATER)**

Chair: *Bindu Lohani, Secretary, ADB*

Joseph Weinstock, Senior Poverty Reduction Coordinator – “Natural resource and poverty issues in Indonesia”

Prodipto Ghosh, Senior Environment Specialist, Office of Environment and Social Development – “Poverty, environment, and population”

Brenda Angeles, Regional Vice President, Mediators’ Network for Sustainable Development – “Legal challenges in securing rights of poor communities over key natural resources”

Discussant

8 February 2001 (Day Four)

8:30 to 10:00 A.M. Plenary Session: **Risks and vulnerabilities – The role of social protection in poverty reduction efforts in Asia and the Pacific**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: *Hans J. Springer, Deputy Director, Agriculture and Social Sectors Department, ADB*

Robert Holzmann, Director, Social Protection, World Bank – “Risk and vulnerability: The forward looking role of social protection in a globalizing world.”

Anne Drouin, Social Security Specialist, International Labour Organization – “Social protection financing and governance”

William Fraser, Manager, Education, Health and Population Division (East)

Sean Conlin, Senior Social Development Adviser, Department for International Development, United Kingdom – “Poverty and social protection: DFID approach”

10:00 to 10:20 Coffee Break

10:20 to 12:15 THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS

Parallel Session 1 **Technical change and poverty reduction**
(AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: Gunter Hecker, Country Director, Philippine Country Office

Sanjaya Lall, Professor of Development Economics, Oxford University – “New technologies, competitiveness and poverty reduction”

Randeep Sudan, Special Secretary to the Chief Minister, Government of Andhra Pradesh – “Use of information technology for poverty reduction: A focus on Andhra Pradesh”

Ronald Cantrell, Director General, International Rice Research Institute, Los Banos, Philippines – “The current and future role of biotechnology in addressing poverty reduction in South and Southeast Asia”

Discussant

Parallel Session 2
10:20 to 11:20 **Social Protection in Asia and the Pacific:
Workshop 5 - Protecting communities: Micro- and area-based schemes** (AUDITORIUM ZONE D)

Chair: Edward Haugh, Manager, Education, Health and Population Division (West), ADB

Jorge Abada, Agricultural Insurance Specialist/Consultant, ADB – “Protecting communities through micro and area-based schemes”

David Dror, Senior Health Insurance Specialist, Social Protection Sector, International Labour Organization – “Extending access to health through micro-insurance”

Bruce Moore, Coordinator, Popular Coalition to Eradicate Hunger and Poverty, International Fund for Agricultural Development

11:20 to 12:15 **Social Protection in Asia and the Pacific:
Workshop 6 Protecting communities - Social funds and disaster management** (AUDITORIUM ZONE D)

Chair: *Frederick Roche, Manager, Agriculture and Rural Development Division (West), ADB*

Andrew Batkin, Social Funds Specialist/Consultant, ADB – “Community-based social funds”

Nil Vanna, Director of the Promotions Department, Social Fund of the Kingdom of Cambodia – “Post-conflict rehabilitation experiences of the social fund in Cambodia”

Zenaida Delica, Training and Education Director, Asian Disaster Preparedness Center – “Disaster risk management and vulnerability reduction: Protecting the poor”

Parallel Session 3 **Poverty and Social Analysis in ADB Operations**
(MINI-THEATER)

Chair: *Karti Sandilya, Manager, Poverty Reduction Unit, ADB*

Susana Price, Senior Social Development Specialist, Social Development Division, ADB, and Isabel Ortiz, Senior Economist, Strategy and Policy Department, ADB – “Poverty and social analysis in ADB operations”

Ronald Duncan, Professor, Australian National University – “A conceptual framework for designing a country poverty reduction strategy”

Michael Cernea, Senior Advisor, Sociology/Social Policy, World Bank – “Addressing poverty risks in resettlement planning and implementation”

Indira Simbolon, Social Development Specialist, Social Development Division, ADB – “Indigenous peoples and loan preparation”

Discussant:

Neil O’Sullivan, Poverty Reduction Specialist/Consultant, ADB

Parallel Session 4 **The Silk Road: Strategy for Recovery**
(PRESS BRIEFING ROOM)

Chair: *Yuejiao Zhang, Officer-in-Charge / Deputy Director, Programs Department (East), ADB*

Oktay Hagverdiyev, Vice Minister, Ministry of Economy, Azerbaijan – “Poverty is not a shame, it is a social problem”

Adylkhan Omirbaev, Vice Minister, Ministry of Labor and Social Protection, Kazakhstan – “Key Priorities of Labor and Social Protection Policy”

Muzafarov A., Senior Advisor to the President, Tajikistan – “The Political Framework of Poverty Reduction in the Republic of Tajikistan”

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Armin Bauer, Economist (Poverty Reduction), Strategy and Policy Department, ADB

Rajiv Kumar, Senior Economist, Programs Division 2 (Central Asia & Caucasus), Programs Department (East), ADB

12:15 to 1:45 P.M. Lunch break

1:45 to 3:15 Plenary Session: **Funding priorities and modalities for poverty reduction** (AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: Vladimir Bohun, Director, Infrastructure, Energy and Financial Sectors Division (East), ADB

Paul Flanagan, Director, Development Policy, Australian Agency for International Development

Roger Ehrhardt, Director General, International Financial Institutions, Canadian International Development Agency

Sean Conlin, Senior Social Development Adviser, Department for International Development, United Kingdom

Christian Breustedt, Senior Poverty Specialist, Project Manager, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ)

Rentaro Tamaishi, Director, Social Development Division, Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)

Patricia Buckles, Philippines Mission Director, United States Agency for International Development

Terrence Jones, Resident Representative, Philippines, United Nations Development Programme

3:15 to 3:30 Coffee Break

3:30 to 4:45 **Closing Plenary and wrap-up of the Forum** (AUDITORIUM ZONES A, B, and C)

Chair: Rolf Selrod Zelius, Chief, Office of Environment and Social Development, ADB

Michael Lipton, Professor, University of Sussex, United Kingdom – “Pro-poor growth: Lessons from the Asian experience”

Wrap-Up Forum: Where Do We Go From Here?

Ernesto M. Pernia, Lead Economist, Economics and Development Resource Center, ADB

Gordon Wilkinson, ADB NGO Coordinator

4:45 to 5:00 **Closing Ceremony**

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4:45 to 4:55 Closing song from the *Pangarap Boys Choir*
5:00 Word of Thanks by *Rolf Selrod Zelius*
5:30 Closing cocktail reception (by invitation)
(EXECUTIVE DINING ROOM, SPECIAL FACILITIES BLOCK)

9 February 2001 (Day Five)

The day is reserved for follow-up meetings, working groups, and additional presentations involving DMC representatives, resource persons, NGO spokespersons, individuals from private sector enterprises, and bank staff. A number of events are already being planned and will be announced during the Forum.

9:00 to 10:00 a.m. **Meeting Between NGO Representatives and ADB Staff**
(PRESS BRIEFING ROOM)

Chair: *Gordon Wilkinson, Senior Social Development Specialist,
Social Development Division, ADB*

*Rolf Selrod Zelius, Chief, Office of Environment and Social
Development, ADB*

Various NGO Representatives

9:30 to 11:15 a.m. **Making Globalization Work for the Poor (MINI-THEATER)**

Chair: *Uwe Henrich, Executive Director (Austria, Germany,
Turkey, United Kingdom), ADB*

*Sean Conlin, Senior Social Development Adviser attached to the
Department for International Development's (DFID) International
Financial Institutions Department – "Report on a new
Development White Paper"*

Discussants:

Paul Ackroyd, Head, DFID Bangladesh

Omar Bargawi, DFID Economic Policy and Research Department

Chris Chalmers, DFID Private Sector Department

Peregrine Swann, DFID Engineering Adviser, Bangladesh