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THE INDIAN ECONOMY IN THE GLOBAL CONTEXT

A South Asia Without Borders panel discussion with

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Deputy Chairperson of the Planning Commission
and

TARUN DAS

Chief Mentor of the Confederation of Indian Industries

Chaired by Sugata Bose and Homi Bhabha

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Harvard Faculty Club Library, 20 Quincy Street

2:00 – 4:00pm

Tea reception to follow

Montek S. Ahluwalia was the first Director of the Independent Evaluation Office from 2001-2004, when he was appointed Deputy Chairperson of the Planning Commission. Prior to taking up his position at the IMF, Mr. Ahluwalia was a Member of the Planning Commission in New Delhi as well as a Member of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister. He had previously served as Finance Secretary, Ministry of Finance; Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs; Commerce Secretary; Special Secretary to the Prime Minister; and Economic Advisor, Ministry of Finance.

Tarun Das has spent his entire working career in industry associations, starting with the predecessor body of CII in November 1963 and has been the Chief Executive of the permanent secretariat since April 1974 when CII (formerly AIEI) was formed. Mr. Das has been conferred an Honorary CBE by Her Majesty for his contribution to the Indo-British Partnership. He is also the non-executive Chairman of The Associated Cement Companies Ltd., India; and Haldia Petrochemicals Ltd, India; non-executive Director on the Boards of John Keells Holdings Ltd., Sri Lanka and GIVE Foundation. He is also a member of Board of Trustees of The Aspen Institute, USA and member of the International Advisory Board of the Coca Cola Company Ltd., USA.

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