



**SEMINAR ON**

**INDIA-SRI LANKA COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP  
AGREEMENT (ILCEPA): OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES**

*Samudra Ballroom, Taj Samudra Hotel, Colombo*

*Thursday 10 July, 2008*

*Organized by*

**Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka,  
India – Sri Lanka Joint Business Council**

*and*

**Indo – Lanka Chamber of Commerce & Industry**

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<b>8:30 – 9:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>	
<b>9:00 – 10:30</b>	<b>Inauguration</b>	
<b>9:00 – 9:10</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductory Address:</b>	<b>Saman Kelegama</b> , <i>Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS)</i>
<b>9:10 – 9:20</b>	<b>Introductory Remarks:</b>	<b>Nawaz Rajabdeen</b> , <i>President, Federation of Chambers of Commerce &amp; Industry of Sri Lanka (FCCISL)</i> <b>Mahen Dayananda</b> , <i>Chairman, Ceylon Chamber of Commerce</i>
<b>9:20 – 10:00</b>	<b>Address by the Guest of Honour:</b>	<b>Gopal K. Pillai</b> , <i>Commerce Secretary, Government of India</i>
<b>10:00 – 10:30</b>	<b>Address by the Chief Guest:</b>	
<b>10:30–10:45</b>	<b>TEA/COFFEE</b>	

- 10:45–12:30**      **SESSION I:      TRADE IN GOODS: BACKGROUND & ISSUES FOR ILCEPA**
- Chairperson:**    **Macky Hashim**, *Immediate Past President, SAARC Chamber of Commerce & Industry*
- 10:45 – 11:15    **Presentation:**    **Seven Year Progress of the ILBFTA: Problems & Prospects**  
*Saman Kelegama, Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka*
- 11:15 – 11:45    **Presentation:**    **Deepening Integration in Trade in Goods under ILCEPA**  
*Saman Udagedara, Director of Commerce, Department of Commerce*
- 11:45 – 12:05    **Discussants:**    **Subhashini Abeysinghe**, *Economist, Ceylon Chamber of Commerce*  
**Ranjini Tudugala**, *Director – Marketing, Sri Lanka Export Development Board*
- 12:05 – 12:30    **Floor Discussion**
- 12:30–13:30**    **LUNCH**
- 13:30–14:45**    **SESSION II:      TRADE IN SERVICES: ILCEPA**
- Chairperson:**    **Saman Kelegama**, *Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka*
- 13:30 – 14:00    **Presentation:**    **Liberalization of Trade in Services under ILCEPA**  
*Deshal De Mel, Research Officer, Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka*
- 14:00 – 14:20    **Discussants:**    **Amrit Rajapakse**, *Attorney-at-Law*  
**Prem Kumar Thampi**, *General Manager/CEO, ICICI Bank, Colombo*
- 14:20 – 14:45    **Floor Discussion**
- 14:45–16:15**    **SESSION III:    INVESTMENT LIBERALIZATION: ILCEPA**
- Chairperson:**    **Mano Selvanathan**, *President, Indo-Lanka Chamber of Commerce & Industry*
- 14:45 – 15:05    **Presentation:**    **Investment Regime under ILCEPA**  
*Nihal Samarappuli, Executive Director- Research, Board of Investment of Sri Lanka*
- 15:05 – 15:25    **Presentation:**    **Doing Business in India**  
*K.T. Chandy, Partner, Ernst & Young, India*
- 15:25 – 15:45    **Discussants:**    **Oscar Braganza**, *Chief Executive Officer, CEAT, Sri Lanka*  
**Janak De Silva**, *Senior State Counsel, Attorney General’s Department*
- 15:45 – 16:15    **Floor Discussion**

**16:15–16:30 TEA/COFFEE**

**16:30–17:30 SESSION IV: ECONOMIC COOPERATION: ILCEPA**

**Chairperson:** **Nihal Rodrigo**, *Advisor to H.E. the President & Former Secretary General of SAARC*

**16:30 – 17:00 Presentation:** **ILCEPA: Economic Cooperation: Progress & Prospects**  
*Deshal De Mel, Research Officer,  
Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka*

**17:00 – 17:15 Discussants:** **Saj Mendis**, *Director, Economic Affairs Division,  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs*  
**Rohantha Athukorala**, *Director Economic Affairs,  
Secretariat for Coordinating the Peace Process (SCOPP)*

**17:15 – 17:30 Floor Discussion**

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