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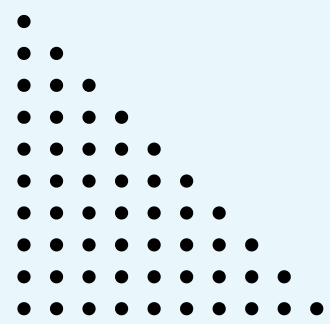
**TOPIC- 'IS SOUTH ASIA REGIONALISM
RELEVANT?'**

ABOUT THE GUEST SPEAKER: SANJAY KATHURIA IS A VISITING SENIOR FELLOW AT THE CENTRE FOR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC PROGRESS. HE POSSESSES EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE SPANNING OVER FOUR DECADES AND IS WIDELY REGARDED AS A PROMINENT THOUGHT LEADER AND COMMENTATOR ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GROWTH, AND INTEGRATION WITHIN SOUTH ASIA.

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SANJAY KATHURIA

TALK TITLE: "IS SOUTH ASIA REGIONALISM RELEVANT?"

ABSTRACT.

WHETHER ONE LIKES THE TERM "SOUTH ASIA" OR NOT, THE REGION IS A SET OF CONTIGUOUS COUNTRIES. GLOBALLY, IN PROSPEROUS REGIONS, NEIGHBORS ENGAGE DEEPLY WITH EACH OTHER, BUT SOUTH ASIAN NEIGHBORS ARE STILL HESITANT TO DO THAT. A FRAGMENTED APPROACH TO ECONOMIC COOPERATION LEADS TO SUBOPTIMAL DEVELOPMENT OUTCOMES FOR EVERY COUNTRY IN SOUTH ASIA. THE TALK WILL EXPLORE DIFFERENT DIMENSIONS OF CROSS BORDER ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT, AND THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT THE GLOBAL "CHINA PLUS ONE QUEST." IS PRESENTING TO THE REGION.

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