


South Asia Regional Initiative for Energy Integration (SARI/EI)

Role of SARI in Capacity Building in South Asia
United States Energy Association.



USEA: Associated with SARI since 2000



Phase 1 (2000-2003)
Focused on advocacy to demonstrate advantages of regional energy cooperation

Phase 2 (2003-2006)
Built consensus on energy requirements and established avenues for collaboration

Phase 3 (2007-2011)
Created institutional capacity to support policy & regulatory framework for energy integration

Accomplishments over the years



- Trained more than 1,500 senior energy executives from 369 institutions over the course of 65 activities covering diverse stakeholders

USEA: Playing a complementing role



Initiated in 2013, USEA mechanism complements the IRADe work by building capacity and strengthening institutions

Current Phase: USEA's Initial activities



Workshop on Competitive Electricity Markets – Design, Implementation & Benefits (March 2014, Sri Lanka)

Peer Exchange: Introduction to Electricity Markets – Southern African Power Pool and Eskom (May 2014)

Executive Exchange: Successful Cross-Border Bilateral Electricity Market: Bangladesh – India (August 2014)

SARI: Increased Sub-Regional Focus (Eastern Grid)



Govt. of Nepal
signed 2 PDAs for
export oriented
power plant

Nepal-India
Power-Trade
Agreement
signed

India-Bangladesh
increasing
transmission capacity
to 1000 MW

SAARC Inter-
governmental
framework signed

SARI/EI: Support to Nepal

- ❑ Skills Development Program
- ❑ Technical and transactional advisory services



Building institutional capacity on power trading
and hydro-power due diligence

SARI/EI: Support to Bangladesh

- ❑ Skills Development Program
- ❑ Technical assistance to BERC



Building institutional capacity on short term day ahead power market

SARI/EI: Support to Bhutan

- ❑ Currently designing package for Bhutan
- ❑ Trainings and exposure visits
- ❑ Targeted short-term TA including peer reviews



Hydro-power planning and due diligence



SARI/EI: Plan for Next year

- ❑ Develop and deliver customized program for Bhutan
- ❑ Power trading training for Pakistan
- ❑ An international conference on connecting South Asia with South East Asia
- ❑ Executive Exchange program on load forecasting and large-scale integration of renewable energy

Deeper Integration for Peace and Prosperity



The 18th SAARC Summit

Kathmandu, Nepal
26-27 November 2014



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