GOALS

As a 36 year old Global think and action tank, CUTS International through its 6th overseas Center in Washington DC (CUTS-WDC) aims to impact US-India relations in the broader Indo-Pacific context.

In association with like minded bodies, the Center will work in the following areas.

Trade
Comparative and contemporary research leading to the enhancement of Indo-US bilateral trade and investment relations

Energy
Identify opportunities for the operationalisation of the US-India Strategic Energy Partnership (SEP)

Strategic Issues
Identify opportunities for High technology trade and investment across defence, homeland security and Information Technology, including artificial intelligence

METHODOLOGY

The Center will produce evidence based research outputs and organise events to ensure strategic outreach to the relevant interest groups and communities.

The target audience will be policymakers, trade bodies, inter-governmental organisations, business representatives, think-tanks, academia, media, civil society and the informed public in the Indo-Pacific region.

BACKGROUND

CUTS International is a unique policy research organisation with over 250 knowledge professionals working with its various centres and close affiliates. The organisation has centres in Accra, Geneva, Hanoi, Lusaka, Nairobi, New Delhi and Kolkata.

- Deeply engaged in impacting social and economic change at the grassroots and at the policy level
- Strongly networked with governments, international institutions and trade bodies viz. WTO, UNCTAD, UNDP, The World Bank, IFC, etc.

“The beauty of our work is that we have been able to cross-fertilize among our centres. We practice South-South and North-South cooperation, not just preach it.”

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MEDIUM-TERM TIMELINE

Spring 2018
- Organised a Curtain Raiser in Washington DC to launch Cuts WDC on April 19, 2018
- Launched Policy Notes on contemporary issues

Fall 2018
- Prepared terms of reference and commenced research
- Roundtables, consultations and interactions with relevant stakeholders and interest groups

Summer 2019
- Draft research papers of the First Cycle and their discussion at seminars and online portals

Fall 2019
- First Cycle to conclude and Second Cycle to commence

Summer 2020
- Draft research papers of the Second Cycle and their discussion at seminars and online portals

Fall 2020
- Second Cycle to conclude and Third Cycle to commence

Summer 2021
- Draft research papers of the Third Cycle and their discussion at seminars and online portals

Fall 2021
- Third Cycle to conclude