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1. Project logo



2. Diagrams or photographs illustrating and promoting the work of the project

A). The European Union in collaboration with CASCADE and University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka, organised the launch of the 'Horizon 2020' programme for the South Asian Region. The event took place on 24th January in Colombo, Sri Lanka.



Photo (above and below) – Mr David Daly, EU Ambassador in Colombo Sri Lanka, addressing the gathering





Photo (above) – part of the audience Photo (below) - Mr Denis Dambois, R & I Counsellor, EU Delegation to India addressing the audience



B). Pathways for Sri Lankan Scientists via Horizon 2020: Opportunities for South Asian Institutions – a Workshop for University of Moratuwa Academic staff, 2nd May 2014, University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka.

Photo – part of the audience



C). The Horizon 2020: Teaming up with the EU for Research Excellence - A workshop for Sri Lankan Scientists; organized by the National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka in Collaboration with the European Union , 2 May 2014, At the Auditorium, National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka.

Photo: facilitators



D). Awareness seminar on Horizon 2020 Program, targetting all the universities in Islamabad, KPK, Azad Kashmir and Gilgit Baltistan, organised by Dr Arshad Ali, Prof & Principal, NUST (National University of Sciences & Technology) School of EE&CS, Islamabad, Pakistan



Photo (above) – Mr Denis Dambois, R & I Counsellor, EU Delegation to India addressing the audience

Photo (below) – Mr Pierre Mayaudon, EU Ambassador for Pakistan addressing the gathering



E). A CASCADE workshop was held at the 2014 CIB W55/65/89/92/96/102/117 & TG72/81/83 International Conference on Construction in a Changing World, which brought together resources and knowledge across different fields, technologies and disciplines to deal with the major challenges that construction professionals will be confronted with in the coming years. The conference was held in Dambulla, Sri Lanka, in May 2014. The CASCADE workshop captured the views and expertise of the 200 plus international delegates that attended the four day event. The conference was jointly organised by the University of Salford, UK, the University of Huddersfield, UK, and the CIB International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction.



Photo (above and below) - section of attendees



F). The CASCADE project was a partner in the 4th International Conference on Building Resilience. The conference examined the concept of resilience as a useful framework of analysis for how society can cope with the threat of natural and human induced hazards.

The four-day event attracted more than 350 academics, researchers, practitioners and policy makers. There were four keynote addresses, which provided a global perspective and vision for resilience research. The event was held at MediaCity in Salford, UK from 8th to 11th September 2014. The conference included a CASCADE workshop aimed at sharing the emerging project findings and gaining feedback that could help shape the planned regional paper.



Photo: Mr.Ian Stewart, City Mayor of Salford, United Kingdom and UN Special Representative of Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction Ms. Margareta Wahlstrom



Photo (above) – UNISDR steering committee meeting where CASCADE interim findings were discussed at Photo (below) – part of the audience



G). Safer Sri Lanka - Disaster Management Conference - Commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Indian Ocean Tsumani, an international seminar on Disaster Management has been held to create a dialogue which will develop an effective and viable process for the management of disaster in Sri Lanka in the future. The event was organised by the Government of Sri Lanka and its Disaster Management Ministry officials and was held from 24-26 September 2014 in Sri Lanka. Over 460 local and foreign experts in the disaster management field shared their experiences at the conference. Professors Dilanthi Amaratunga and Richard Haigh from the Global Disaster Resilience Centre at the University of Huddersfield's School of Art, Design, and lead partners in the CASCADE project, were invited by the Government of Sri Lanka to speak at this important event. Dilanthi delivered a speech on Emerging trends in disaster management, global frameworks & international best practices, conventions and knowledge transfer mechanisms. Richard delivered an address about collaborative action towards addressing societal challenges, based on the work of CASCADE, with a view to developing sustainable disaster management practices. In addition, Dilanthi and Richard chaired a panel on shared risks to shared value. Details on the CASCADE project were also published as part of the conference proceedings.

Photo (below) – one of the breakout sessions at the conference



H). On the 2nd December 2014, the University of Huddersfield with the support from CASCADE project and also along with the EU office in Colombo, organised an event at the UGC under the direction of its Professor Ranjith Senaratne, Vice Chairman of the UGC. The University Grants Commission (UGC) is the apex body of the University System in Sri Lanka which. The functions of the UGC are: planning and coordination of university education, allocation of funds to Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs), maintenance of academic standards, regulation of the administration of HEIs and regulation of admission of students to HEIs. Its vision is to be an excellent regulatory body which guide, develop and sustain a network of 'Centers of Excellence' in higher education meeting the national needs and aspirations in keeping with global trends. All 15 Sri Lankan universities are under its umbrella: University of Colombo, University of Peradeniya, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, University of Kelaniya, University of Moratuwa, University of Jaffna, University of Ruhuna, The Open University of Sri Lanka, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka, Wayamba University of Sri Lanka, Uva Wellassa University, University of the Visual & Performing Arts. Vice Chancellors of all these universities along with other scientists attended the event.

Photo (below): Professor Ranjith Senaratne, Vice Chairman of the University Grants Commission (UGC) addressing the audience





Photo (above) – Mr Simone Brotini, Development Cooperation Section, Delegation of the European Union to Sri Lanka and the Maldives addressing the audience

I). CASCADE leading scientists, Professors Dilanthi Amaratunga and Richard Haigh visited the Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre in Thailand from $15^{th}-17^{th}$ May 2015 and held a key discussion on CASCDE findings and how they can be used as input towards key future research directions were discussed

Photo (below) - Dilanthi Amaratunga & Richard Haigh with the key ADPC staff



3. Screen shots of the e news letters

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Photograph: EU Ambassador, David Daly, speaking at the launc

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The workshop outcomes will feed into the regional position par that is identifying opportunities for EU-South Asia collaboration



4. Screen shot of the project web site



5. Screen shot of the flyer







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The EU, whilst representing only 7% of the world's population, is responsible for 24% of world expenditure on research, 32% of high impact publications and 32% of patent applications, making it a world leader in research and innovation. However, ower the past few decades, new key players have merged within the international landscape shifting the previously dominant position held by the EU towards emerging economies.

The EU recognise a need to strengthen internationalisation through strategic policy action. The need for linkages with Asian countries has been highlighted given the region's rapidly growing research and innovation capacities and the urgency to address global challenges. South Asia in particular is home to more than 40% of the world's absolute poor, but will contribute nearly 40% of the growth in the world's working-age population in the coming decades.

CASCADE is an opportunity for raising awareness of the potential for EU-Southern Asia cooperation and stimulating regional and international participation. With the active contribution of South Asian countries, the endeavour will be to pave the way for more advanced, inclusive and innovative societies.

The project coincides with the launch of Horizon 2020, a Europe 2020 flagship initiative aimed at securing Europe's global competitiveness. Running from 2014 to 2020 with a budget of just over £70 billion, the EU's new programme for research and innovation is part of the drive to tackle global societal challenges, and create new growth and jobs. International cooperation in research and innovation is an essential element for meeting the objectives of Europe 2020. Recognising the global nature of producing and using knowledge, Horizon 2020 builds on the success of international cooperation in previous framework programmes and is fully open to participation from third countries.

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6. Examples of project poster









CASCADE (Collaborative Action towards Societal Challenges through Awareness Development and Education)

Horizon 2020- The EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation

Introduction:

Horizon 2020 is the new financial programme of the European Union (EU) for research and innovation and acts as the successor to the current programme (FP7) which will run until the end of 2013. It has a budget of just over €70 billion for the period between 2014 and 2020. The new programme is part of the drive to create new growth and jobs in Europe. Horizon 2020 brings together all existing Union research and innovation funding currently provided through the Framework Programme for Research and Technical Development (FP7), the innovation related activities of the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP) and the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT).

Objectives and features:

- Strengthen Europe's science base by improving its performance in frontier research, stimulating future and emerging technologies, encouraging cross—border training and career development, and supporting research infrastructures.
- Boost Europe's industrial leadership and competitiveness through stimulating leadership in enabling and industrial technologies, improving access to risk finance, and stimulating innovation in SMEs
- Increase the contribution of research and innovation to the resolution of key societal challenges
- key societal challenges
 Provide customer—driven scientific
 and technical support to Union
 policies
- Help to better integrate the knowledge triangle --- research, researcher training and innovation

Horizon 2020 aims to tackle societal challenges by helping to bridge the gap between research and the market.

Key priorities of horizon 2020

- Excellent science
 Industrial leadership
- Industrial leadership
 Societal challenges

from Europe and south Asia. The project has been funded by the EU seventh framework program under grant agreement n° 609562. CASCADE and its Objective: CASCADE aims to provide the foundation for a future INCONET program targeting South Asian

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Countries, which will promote bi-regional coordination of Science & Technology (S&T) cooperation, including priority setting and definition of S&T cooperation policies.

The objectives of CASCADE, as an 18-month supporting action are to:

- Compile a regional position paper that identifies global challenges and research priorities
- Map and develop an inventory of national and regional stakeholders related to global challenges
- Raise awareness on research & innovation priorities for fostering cooperation and towards building mutual understanding on how to address common global societal challenges.
- Compile a policy brief with recommendations to the European Commission on how to promote bi-lateral cooperation with Southern Asia with a view to tackling key societal challenges of mutual interest.

Project partners:

The lead applicant (USAL) University of Salford will have responsibility for the general administration of the project.

Europe: United Kingdom, Estonia, Lithuania, Italy, France South Asia: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Societal challenges:

- 1. Health, demographic change and wellbeing
- Food security, sustainable agriculture, marine and maritime research and the bio-economy
- 3. Secure, clean and efficient energy
- Smart, green and integrated transport
- 5. Climate action, resource efficiency and raw materials
- Europe in a changing world-inclusive, innovative and reflective societies
- Secure societies-protecting freedom and security of Europe and its citizens

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Collaborative Action towards Societal Challenges through Awareness, Development, and Education (CASCADE)



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Project Background

The project CASCADE was initiated as an 18 month supporting action to enhance the international cooperation in research and innovation between the EU and South Asia with the financial support from the European Union's FP7 Programme.

Aim and Objectives

Project Work Plan

CASCADE aims to provide the foundation for a future International Cooperation Network programme targeti South Asian Countries, which will promote bi-regional coordination of Science & Technology cooperation.

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- 2. map and develop an inventory of national and regional stakeholders related to global challenges:
- 3. raise awareness on research and innovation priorities for fostering cooperation and towards building mutual understanding on how to address common global societal challenges.

Work Package 2 (WP2) WP2 of the <u>project aims to compile a regional</u> <u>position paper for South Asia</u> identifying mutual societal challenges of South Asia and EU taking the 07 societal challenges. The work carried out as part of WP2 is divided into two <u>main</u> <u>phases</u> in achieving its aim:

Project Partners

CASCADE is a consortium of seventeen project partition EU and South Asia

- University of Salford, UK (Coordinator)

- University of Central Lancashire, UK
 Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia
 Vinius Gediminas Technical University, Uthus
 University of Bologna, Italy

- Nangarhar University, Afghanistan Patuakhall Science and Technology Univ Bangladesh Royal Institute of Management, Bhutan
- ECO CARE, Maldives Institute of Engineering, Tribhuvan Unive

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- University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre

Horizon 2020 Societal Challenges

WP2 Data Collection and Findings

importance of societal challenges/ key areas

1 Gaps between current situation and policy goals





'Although policies are available, lack of strategies and effective action plans leads to low level of effectiveness. Therefore, there is need to develop appropriate strategies and action plans together with institutional arrangements'.

PHASE 2

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Note:

Professor Dilanthi Amaratunga is the Scientific lead of CASCADE and she was at University of Salford until the 31st August 2014, which is the Grant holder of CASCADE. From 1st September 2014 onwards, she commenced her employment at the University of Huddersfield, UK. As this change of employment took place at the later stages of the CASCADE project, based on discussions with the EU, University of Salford continued to be the grant holder with University of Huddersfield being added as a beneficiary representing Professor Dilanthi Amaratunga's university. Accordingly, Professor Dilanthi Amaratunga continued to be the project lead, operating from University of Huddersfield, UK. She was supported by the Project Colead, Professor Richard Haigh, who too left University of Salford on the 31st August 2013 and joined University of Huddersfield, UK commencing 1t September 2014.