

Accelerating locally-led responsible rural tourism entrepreneurship for gender equality and sustainable development in Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, and Nepal

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Event moderator: Pinky Singh Rana, ICIMOD

Time (NPT)	Program	Remarks
9:00 – 9:15	Registration	
9:15 – 9:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome remarks:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Izabella Koziell – Deputy Director General, ICIMOD- Prof. Veena Sikri – Ambassador, Founding Trustee, SWAN• Workshop objectives and agenda:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Anu Kumari Lama - Tourism Specialist, ICIMOD• Remarks:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Bangladesh- Bhutan- India- Nepal• Group Photo	
9:30 – 10:30	Session I: Setting the Context	
	Responsible Rural Tourism for Gender Equality and Sustainable Development in BBIN: Anu Kumari Lama <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bangladesh• Bhutan• India• Nepal	Facilitated by Pinky Singh Rana, Anu Kumari Lama and Sonam Chuki, Gender Specialist, ICIMOD Country-based group work
10:30 – 11:30	Session II: Identifying Opportunities	
	The Responsible Rural Tourism Entrepreneurial Ecosystem for Gender Equality and Sustainable Development in BBIN <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bangladesh• Bhutan• India• Nepal	Facilitated by Pinky Singh Rana Country-based group work
11:30 – 11:45	Tea break	
11:45 – 12:45	Session III: Spurring Innovative Partnership and Investment	
	Accelerating Actions and Partnerships for Co-designing and Co-developing Pilot Intervention: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bangladesh• Bhutan• India• Nepal	Facilitated by Anu Kumari Lama, Pinky Singh Rana, Sonam Chuki, and Udayan Mishra, Partnerships Specialist Country-based group work Group lead presents the overall case
12:45 – 13:00	Closing session followed by Lunch	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key takeaways and summary – Pinky Singh Rana• Next step – Anu Kumari Lama• Vote of thanks – Abid Hussain, Action Area Coordinator, ICIMOD	