



Asian Development Bank

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Subject: Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Seminar Series on Regional Economic Integration

"The Regionalization of the World. What does it mean for Asia?"
Monday, 19 July 2010, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Auditorium Zone A, ADB Headquarters

We are pleased to invite you or your representative to the ADB Seminar Series on Regional Economic Integration organized by the Office of Regional Economic Integration (OREI) in cooperation with the Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF). This seminar is part of ASEF's 33rd Asia-Europe Lecture Tour in Singapore, Manila, Bangkok, Seoul and Shanghai. In this lecture, Prof. Luk Van Langenhove will examine the relations between sovereign states and regional institutions as well as the role of the state in driving region-building process. While the main discussion will concentrate on Europe, Prof. Van Langenhove will encourage dialogue on the comparisons with Asian regional integration and its implication for Europe and the rest of the world.

Prof. Van Langenhove is Director of the Comparative Regional Integration Studies Institute of the United Nations University (UNU-CRIS) in Bruges and Representative of the UNU Rector at UNESCO in Paris. Prior to these appointments, he was Deputy Secretary-General of the Belgian Federal Ministry of Science Policy, Deputy Chief of Cabinet of the Belgian Federal Minister of Science Policy as well as a researcher and lecturer at the Free University of Brussels (VUB). Since 2006, he is the Vice-President of the International Social Sciences Council. He currently teaches at the VUB and the College of Europe.

We would appreciate receiving your confirmation before **Tuesday, 13 July 2010** by email to Ms. Liza Cruz at mlscruz@adb.org or phone, 632-6441.

Thank you very much and warmest regards.

Yours sincerely,

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