

SAARC Payments Council (SPC)



Event Calendar: Past Events/ Meetings/ Pending Decisions

Country	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Decisions/ Projects		
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Afghanistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Bangladesh	-	-	7 th SPC Meeting held on 28 th March 2010 in Dhaka, Bangladesh	-	12 th SPC Meeting held on 18 th November 2012 in Dhaka, Bangladesh	-	-	17 th SPC Meeting to be held on 22 nd – 23 rd November 2015 Cox Bazaar Bangladesh	-	-	<p>SPI Secretariat is to send Risk Mitigation Matrix. The SPI Secretariat will send revised version to all members on which member countries will provide information which will then be shared with all members.</p> <p>Member countries to send requests to SPI Secretariat for training/attachment programs.</p> <p>SPI Secretariat is to revise the SPC Road Map on some amendments suggested in the 16th SPC Meeting on 3rd March 2015.</p> <p>Member countries will also provide feedback on Concept Paper on Single Harmonized Payments Mechanism (SHPM) to the Technical Team to develop version-1 of the same.</p> <p>SPC Forum has agreed to fix a specific month from next year for annual SPC Meetings starting from 18th SPC Meeting and onwards.</p>	<p>In the 14th SPC Meeting it was decided that the Technical Team will be preparing initial concept paper/ feasibility report on the pros and cons of establishing a Single Harmonized Payment Mechanism for the SAARC countries.</p> <p>The Technical Team of 16th SPC Meeting has revised the Concept Paper in light of responses of member countries. The concept paper will be submitted in the 17th Meeting for further discussions of member countries. 17th SPC Meeting will be held in November/December 2015 in Cox Bazaar, Bangladesh</p>
Bhutan	-	6 th SPC Meeting held on 3 rd November 2009 in Thimphu, Bhutan	-	-	-	13 th SPC Meeting held on 29 th July 2013 in Thimphu, Bhutan	-	-	-			
India	2 nd SPC Meeting held on 30 th June in Hyderabad, India	-	8 th SPC Meeting held on 15 th November 2010 in Bangalore, India	-	-	14 th SPC Meeting held to be on 9 th December 2013 in Kovalam, Kerala, India)	-	-	-			
Maldives	-	-	-	9 th SPC Meeting held on 30 th May 2011 in Male', Maldives	-	-	-	-	18 th SPC Meeting proposed to be held in Maldives in 2016			
Nepal	-	5 th SPC Meeting held on 29 th March 2009 in Kathmandu, Nepal	-	-	-	-	15 th SPC Meeting held on 9 th May 2014 in Kathmandu, Nepal	-	-			
Pakistan	4 th SPC Meeting held on 20 th December 2008 in Karachi,	-	-	-	11 th SPC Meeting held on 23 rd April 2012 in Islamabad	-	-	16 th SPC Meeting held on 3 rd March 2015 in Lahore, Pakistan	-			

	Pakistan											
Sri Lanka	1 st SPC Meeting held on 28 th March 2008 in Colombo, Sri Lanka	3 rd SPC Meeting held on 29 th September 2008 in Colombo, Sri Lanka	-	10 th SPC Meeting held on 28 th November 2011 in Colombo, Sri Lanka	-	-	-	-	-			

SPC Meetings to date:

Country	Afghanistan	Bangladesh	Bhutan	India	Maldives	Nepal	Pakistan	Sri Lanka
Number of times SPC Meeting conducted	0	2	2 + 1 (to be held in November 2015)	3	1	2	3	3

SPC Seminars to date:

Country	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Afghanistan	-	-						
Bangladesh	-	3rd SPC Seminar To be held on (date to be decided)						
Bhutan	-	-						
India	-	-						
Maldives	-	-						
Nepal	1st SPC Seminar <u>Mr. Esmond Lee, Executive Director (Financial Infrastructure at Hong Kong Monetary Authority):</u> In his presentation, Mr. Lee shed	-						

	<p>light on RTGS – Emerging Issues and Challenges covering new innovations in the LVPS and guidelines for addressing the associated risks, role of RTGS and NPS and Regional Payment Gateways.</p> <p><u>Mr. Harish Natarajan, Senior Payment Systems Specialist at Payment Systems Development Group, World Bank:</u></p> <p>In his presentation, Mr. Harish highlighted the role of non-banks (online Payment Gateway Service Providers, Mobile Wallet etc. He covered the role that non-banks can play in payment systems, leveraging the reach of existing non-banks service providers; non-banks complementing banks in reaching the payment system/ products.</p>							
Pakistan	-	<p>2nd SPC Seminar</p> <p><u>Mr. Umar Faruqi, Member of Secretariat at the BIS Committee on Payment and Market Infrastructures (CPMI):</u></p> <p>In his presentation, Mr. Faruqi delivered three sessions on principles of Financial Markets Infrastructure including an overview of the Committee on Payment & Market Infrastructures covering current international regulatory priorities relating to FMI's and CPMI's work-plan and will also shed light on Retail Payment Issues.</p>						
Sri Lanka	-	-						