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Dear Friend,

It is a pleasure for us to invite you to participate in the international conference, devoted to the theme '**On India: Self-Image and Counter-Image**', to be held in December 2010 (28, 29 and 30th). Seventeen speakers in five sessions, coming from abroad as well as from within India, will be addressing the theme from various perspectives.

The Speakers are J. Galtung, B. P. Singh, D. Rothermund, Kapil Kapoor, A. Michaels, Shyam Saran, Ugo Astuto, Santhosh Desai, Madhu Kishwar, Molly Kaushal, D.R. Kaarthikeyan, N. Kazanas, Sukrita P. Kumar, Lokesh Chandra, Ashis Nandy, Karan Singh, and Anindita Balslev

This conference is a significant event that forms a part of a program entitled 'Cross cultural Conversation' (CCC), initiated by the organizer of this conference. This is the third time that this CCC event will take place in the Indian capital. The host and the participating institutes are the IGNCA and ICCR, both of which see the task of increasing public awareness as their mission.

During the five sessions of the conference, we will focus on the common concern regarding the self-image and counter-image of what the Indian civilization has stood for over the centuries. Discussants are expected to highlight what role India can play today in the plural and often strife-stricken national as well as international scenes. They will elaborate on their own perceptions of asymmetries in specific contexts, discern their causes and perhaps provide suggestions regarding how these imbalances can be rectified. Today we badly need a public discourse on how to re-imagine India. This conference is a step in that direction.

We sincerely hope to see you there as participants of Cross cultural Conversation and to interact with you. Please confirm your participation to Dr. Anamika Biswas (Tel: 011-23388341 email:igncakaladarsana@gmail.com).

Sincerely,

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