

## Key changes in Organisational Strategy

### Vision and Mission

Southern Voice envisages a world in which power has been realigned between countries, resulting in fair and equitable engagement on global issues, and advancing a world in which people's rights and needs are met and sustainable development is achieved.

The network aims to contribute to a power realignment in inter-governmental relations on the SDGs. It does so by stimulating, generating, disseminating and promoting high-quality evidence-based analyses on the SDGs, from Think Tanks of the Global South. It embeds Southern research in global discourse on the SDGs, to promote space for deliberative evidence-based policy making and to ensure that governments and the global community are held accountable for effective delivery.

### Governance Structure

The new structure includes a Director, and three regional coordinators (RC) for each region, as described below.

- Ms Andrea Ordóñez – to serve as Director of Southern Voice (formerly its research coordinator)
- Ms Karin Fernando from CEPA – to function as Regional Coordinator for Asia.
- Dr Ibrahima Hathie from IPAR – to function as Regional Coordinator for Africa
- Mr Pablo Hurtado of ASIES – to function as Regional Coordinator for Latin America.
- Dr Debapriya Bhattacharya – to serve as Chair of Southern Voice (and more specifically, provide guidance to the work of the Secretariat, focusing on research programmes of the network).

### Strategic Outcomes

In the period to 2020, SV will work towards four outcomes:

- **Power realignment.** Global South governments will have more ready access to high-quality evidence-based policy analyses from the Global South, contributing to a reduction in the power differential between countries of the Global South and others in discourse and decisions on the SDGs.
- **Evidence-Based Policy Making.** Some governments of the Global South, and some inter-governmental fora, will review and change policies and approaches related to the SDGs on the basis of deliberative reflection on high-quality evidence.
- **Accountability.** Government agencies and actors such as SDG leads, and the UN system and other inter-governmental bodies, seek, welcome and respond to external inputs for improved participation and accountability for achieving the SDGs.

**Established and Engaged Network.** Southern Voice will have a firmly established governance structure and Secretariat able to support the full range of planned products and activities; systems that encourage and enable regional, thematic and self-organised groups to form and function effectively; and both core and project resourcing from a diverse range of donors that supports these while mitigating risk.