



Why Centralization and Decentralization in Federations?  
A Comparative Analysis

**Asia-Pacific Workshop**  
**The Experience of India and Australia**

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**Dynasty Room**

- 10:00-10:30 Introduction (**A. K. Singh** and **P. Gonzalez**)
- 10:30-11:00 Project presentation (**J. Kincaid** and **P. Dardanelli**)
- 11:00-11:30 India academic presentation (**A. K. Singh**)
- 11:30-11:45 Coffee/tea
- 11:45-12:15 India practitioner presentation (**S. Ghonkrokta**)
- 12:15-13:00 Roundtable discussion on India (chaired by **R. Saxena**)
- 13:00-14:30 Lunch
- 14:30-15:00 Australia academic presentation (**A. Fenna**)
- 15:00-16:00 Roundtable discussion on Australia (chaired by **R. Ryan**)
- 16:00-16:30 Concluding remarks (**A. K. Singh** and **P. Gonzalez**)
- 16:30-17:00 Coffee/tea
- 17:00-19:00 Break
- 19:00-21:30 Dinner

### **List of participants**

Dardanelli, Paolo – University of Kent, United Kingdom

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