Mobilizing, Science, Technology and innovation and strengthening the science policy interface.

Hello everyone, my name is Devanshu Jha, and I am honoured to be representing the regional civil society engagement mechanism for Europe and Central Asia today.

We are fully aware of this since we operate on the ground with those who are most affected.

Science, technology, and innovation are the primary engines of economic and social progress as well as intellectual growth. The advent of disruptive and influential technology brings with it new challenges as well as new endless possibilities. The present pandemic crisis gave a compelling opportunity for R&D institutions, academics, academic, and industry to collaborate for shared purpose, synergy, collaboration, and cooperation.

At the global level, science-policy interfaces are critical for the international community to guarantee that choices and international agreements, such as the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, are founded on the best available data.

A robust science-policy interaction at the national level is critical for governments and legislatures to respond effectively to national problems. Close coordination with all sectors of civil society is urgent - people in all their diversity and differences are key collaborators.

And during such times, we believe that Cross-sector collaboration with civil society post and during Covid 19 is vital important for analysing and addressing complex and multi - dimensional development issues. These collaborations must emphasise the long-term vision and people centred , of innovation, creativity, research and technology and research rather than focusing just on a particular product design.