Call for Book Proposals

Publication on the strategic shift in economy, military and foreign policy with regard to Indian policymaking after the watershed moment of the Russian invasion of Ukraine

The India Office of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) is pleased to announce a call for proposals for a publication on the hitherto under-explored topic of "The strategic shift in economy, military and foreign policy with regard to Indian policymaking after the watershed moment of the Russian invasion of Ukraine."

Objective

The Russia-Ukraine war has put India in an utterly difficult situation due to a high degree of dependency in terms of military equipment/systems/platforms/components and life cycle maintenance. India took radical measures to shift its military procurement from Russia, urging Western democracies such as Germany to help build defence capabilities. India now looks for strategic partnerships in its quest for next-generation submarines, jet engine, UAVs and advanced military systems with like-minded open democracies in the wider context of the Indo-Pacific rule-based order. But it is not only in the military sphere that a strategic shifts in Indian policymaking can be observed. Such shifts can also be seen in the larger arenas of economic and foreign policy. But what are the challenges of such a strategic shift and how much geopolitical manoeuvring space does India have in an increasingly fragmented world? What recommendations can be made to Indian policymakers in the context of this strategic shift on various fronts? What part does the military threat from neighbouring China play and how effective are India's foreign policy strategies already today? Where does India stand today in the contemporary strategic landscape? All these primary questions should be addressed and answers sought within the framework of the book.

Guidelines

- 1. Theme: The strategic shift in economy, military and foreign policy with regard to Indian policymaking after the watershed moment of the Russian invasion of Ukraine.
- 2. Deliverables: Manuscript of roughly 200 pages.
- 3. Manuscript Composition: The manuscript may include chapters on various topics, but it should not resemble a compendium consisting of different articles. The number of authors should not exceed two.
- 4. Target Group: The targeted group includes scholars, students, policymakers, researchers, and individuals interested in Indian and European policy affairs.
- 5. The book must be published and sold by a publisher in print with an ISBN number.

Proposal Submission

Proposals should be submitted via email to Elias Marini Schäfer (<u>elias.marini-schaefer@kas.de</u>) and/or Ashish Gupta (<u>ashish.gupta@kas.de</u>) no later than 6th September 2023. Please use the subject line: "Book Proposal".

The proposal does not have to be longer than one page.

We look forward to receiving your innovative proposals and collaborating to deepen our present day understanding of the Indian policymaking shifts in the wake of the Russian invasion of Ukraine.