The CLTS Knowledge Hub, Institute of Development Studies, UNICEF and WSSCC plan to co-convene a CLTS Sharing and Learning Workshop as part of the SACOSAN VII Conference in Islamabad, Pakistan.

The free event will be an opportunity to gather with others interested and engaged in CLTS programmes and rural sanitation more broadly to share experiences, challenges and innovations from South Asia and beyond.

Need
In the last few years, the CLTS landscape has shifted considerably. There is a great need to understand the new on-the-ground realities of CLTS and to learn about, share and promote good practices, ideas and innovations. There is a dearth of space and time for WASH practitioners, be they NGO staff, policy-makers, donors or researchers to share experiences, learn from each other and discuss challenges, questions and core issues in a face to face setting. Much recent research also highlights the need for more ongoing learning to be built into programmes.

This workshop provides a space for those engaged in CLTS and rural WASH to pause, take stock, reflect on their own and other people’s experiences, share knowledge and learning, and exchange ideas and innovations. It thereby contributes not only to keeping the WASH community well connected and informed but also hopes to influence sector practice and policy more generally in a positive way.

Objectives and Approach
This will be an opportunity to gather with others engaged and interested in CLTS to exchange experiences, discuss ideas, challenges, innovations and to network. Second and third generation issues are rapidly emerging and we need to learn more. Issues of sustainability, equity and inclusion, and monitoring and verification systems that support both, are now at the fore and require urgent consideration, creative responses and good collaboration between stakeholders. We need to ensure good quality of practice and the co-generation of answers and innovative solutions to emerging questions, challenges and new areas of work. This workshop will tackle some of key challenges the sector is now facing.

Whilst co-conveners will come prepared to share the latest thinking, innovations and questions, the precise agenda will emerge in a participatory fashion and be dependent on participants’ knowledge and particular areas of interest. The workshop time will be spent addressing key issues and questions through a mix of sharing, presentations, discussions and gathering/documenting of experiences, innovations and data. We mostly avoid the use of powerpoint presentations and find more interactive ways of sharing information, for example through the use of brainstorming on cards, fishbowl type exercises, small group work and discussions, development café.

Outputs
A report of the discussion will be completed and shared. Reports from previous SACOSANs were produced in Dhaka and Kathmandu and published on the CLTS Knowledge Hub website.

Facilitators
IDS have been co-convening CLTS specific workshops for close to ten years now, and are an experienced team of facilitators, led by Robert Chambers. Workshops have been held at previous SACOSANs, AfricaSans, WEDC and WASH Futures conferences.

Logistics
We expect participants to be between 30-50 people. The co-conveners will provide lunch and refreshments throughout the day.

REGISTRATION
Registration for the workshop closes on 4 April 2018.
Participants should send their name (including title), organisation, job title and country to s.townsend@ids.ac.uk

WORKSHOP OUTLINE
Registration and Coffee: 08.30-09.00
SESSION 1: 09.00-10.30
Coffee Break: 10.30-11.00
SESSION 2: 11.30-13.00
Lunch: 13.00-14.00