

TERI RANKED 7TH AMONGST THE ENERGY AND RESOURCE POLICY THINK TANK BY UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

New Delhi, 29th Jan 2013: In a major announcement, The Energy and Resources Institute(TERI) has been ranked 7th in the top 20 Energy and Resource Policy Think Tanks by the University of Pennsylvania's Think Tanks and Civil Society Program.

Since its inception in 1974, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) has evolved as an institution of excellence for its pathbreaking research on sustainable development, climate change, environment and energy.

The Rankings' primary objective is to recognize some of the world's leading public policy think tanks and highlight the notable contributions these institutions are making to governments and civil societies worldwide. Over the past six years, the "Think Tank Index" has become the authoritative source for the top public policy institutions around the world. This year the report was launched at the United Nations University and at the World Bank in Washington, D.C.

The Program's Rankings remain the first and most comprehensive ranking of the world's top think tanks, and are based on an annual global peer and expert survey of over 1950 scholars, policymakers, journalists, and regional and subject area experts. Given the rigor and scope of the process, the Rankings produced have been described as the insider's guide to the global marketplace of ideas. As part of the process, all 6,603 think tanks in the world were contacted and encouraged to participate in the nominations process as well as a group of over 9,000 journalists, policymakers, public and private donors, think tanks, and regional and subject area specialists.

This group of peers and experts were surveyed to nominate and then rank public policy research centers of excellence for 2012. Additionally, the Program has assembled a set of Expert Panels, comprising over 750 expert members from around the world, spanning the political spectrum and drawing from a wide variety of disciplines and sectors, to help in the refining and validation of the lists generated. These experts were consulted at every stage in the process. The nominations and rankings were based on the detailed set of criteria that included the think tanks' production of rigorous and relevant research, publications, and programs in one or more substantive areas of research.