



Online Panel Discussion

Leveraging Technology for Better Outcomes in Maternal & Child Health

Jointly organized by COMSATS and ICESCO

Tuesday, 29th April 2025 at 9:00 am GMT (2:00 Pm Pakistan & 10:00 am Morocco time)

Tentative Program

Agenda Item / Speaker	Time
Opening session 9:00 am – 09:35 am (GMT)/ 2:00 pm – 02:35 (Pakistan)/ 10:00 am – 10:35 (Morocco) <i>Host: Dr Azeema Fareed (Additional Director, Health) COMSATS</i>	
Welcome Remarks: Amb. Dr Mohammad Nafees Zakaria, Executive Director, COMSATS	5 min
Opening Remarks Dr Raheel Qamar, Head of Science and Technology Sector, ICESCO	5 min
Comments By Dr. Soofia Yunus Director General (Population) Ministry of Health Services, Regulations & Coordination, Pakistan	5 min
Remarks of Guest of Honor Mr. Mirza Nasir ud Din Mashhood, Sp. Secretary, Ministry of National Health Services Regulation and Coordination, Pakistan	5 min

Keynote Address Dr Zulfiqar Bhutta, Founding Director, Institute for Global Health and Development <i>"Healthy Beginnings, Hopeful Futures – A Global Perspective on Maternal & Child Health"</i>	15 min
Panel Discussion 09:35 am-10:35 am (GMT)/ 02:35 pm – 03:35 (Pakistan)/ 10:35 am – 11:35 am (Morocco) Moderator: Dr Adel Smeda, Science & Technology Sector, ICESCO	
Dr. Sampath Veeraraghavan, Senior Technical Program Manager, Amazon's Alexa AI Group, USA <i>"Advancing AI-Powered Innovations to Solve Global Healthcare Challenges."</i>	
Adeniyi Folayan Global Health Research Fellow Toufik's World Medical Association <i>"Engaging mhealth and digital solutions in Maternal and child care"</i>	
Enock Musungwini, Programme Manager, (Consultant), Pangaea, Zimbabwe <i>"Boost health app (digital technology) to screen, deliver health education"</i>	
Dr Samina Naeem Professor, MNCH, Health Services Academy, Islamabad	
Muhammad Tariq Chief Executive, Development Synergies International (DSI), <i>"Localizing Digital Health and Artificial Intelligence for Maternal and Child Health Outcomes: Pakistan Case Study"</i>	
Professor Rachid Jennane Professor of Engineering and Computer Science, University of Orléans (France), <i>"AI-Driven Insights into Maternal Health and Long-Term Knee Osteoarthritis Risk"</i>	
Interactive Session 10:35 am-11:00 am (GMT)/ 03:35 pm – 04.00 pm (Pakistan)/ 11:35 am – 12:00 pm (Morocco) Moderator: Dr Adel Smeda, Science & Technology Sector, ICESCO	
Interactive Q&A Session	20 min
Vote of thanks and Joint Statement	5 min