



*Seminar on*

## **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS - The Role of Universities**

**9<sup>th</sup> July 2018, Shamadan Hall, Serena Hotel, Islamabad**

### **Tentative Programme**

<b>09:00 – 09:15</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09:15 – 10:30</b>	<b>Inaugural Session</b>
<b>09:15 – 09:20</b>	<b>Recitation</b>
<b>09:20 – 09:30</b>	<b>Welcome Address by Dr. S.M. Junaid Zaidi</b> Executive Director COMSATS
<b>09:30 – 09:45</b>	<b>Address by Dr. Tariq Banuri</b> Chairperson Higher Education Commission
<b>09:45 – 10:00</b>	<b>Address by Mr. Neil Buhne</b> UN Resident Coordinator & UNDP Resident Representative
<b>10:00 – 10:30</b>	<b>Keynote Address by the Chief Guest, H.E. Dr. Shamshad Akhtar, Federal Minister for Finance, Revenue, and Economic Affairs, Government of Pakistan</b>
<b>10:30 – 11:00</b>	<b>Tea Break &amp; Group Photo</b>
<b>11:00 – 12:30</b>	<b>Technical Session 1 – Promotion and Advocacy for SDGs</b>
<b>11:00 – 11:20</b>	<b>Chair:</b> Keynote Talk – <b>Prof. Dr. John Thwaites</b> , Chair of ClimateWorks Australia and the Monash Sustainability Institute
	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
<b>11:20 – 11:30</b>	i) <i>Panelist 1:</i> <b>Dr. Sania Nishtar</b> , President, Heartfile, Pakistan
<b>11:30 – 11:40</b>	ii) <i>Panelist 2:</i> <b>Mr. Shoaib Ahmed Siddiqui</b> , Secretary, Ministry of Planning, Development and Reforms, Government of Pakistan
<b>11:40 – 11:50</b>	iii) <i>Panelist 3:</i> <b>Prof. Dr. Muhammad Abdul Aziz Irfan Mufti</b> , Dean, Faculty of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, University of Engineering & Technology (UET), Peshawar
<b>11:50 – 12:00</b>	iv) <i>Panelist 4:</i> <b>Mr. Shoaib Sultan Khan</b> , Chairman, Rural Support Programmes Network
<b>12:00 – 12:30</b>	<b>Q &amp; A</b>

<b>12:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>Technical session 2 – SDGs Implementation: Perspectives on Education, Research &amp; Development</b>
<b>12:30 – 12:50</b>	<b>Chair:</b> Keynote Talk - <b>Dr Max Paoli</b> , Programme Coordinator, The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS), Italy
	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
<b>12:50 – 13:00</b>	i) <i>Panelist 1: Dr. Abid Suleri</i> , Executive Director Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), Pakistan
<b>13:00 – 13:10</b>	ii) <i>Panelist 2: Mr. Ali Tauqeer Sheikh</i> , CEO, Leadership for Environment and Development (LEAD), Pakistan
<b>13:10 – 13:20</b>	iii) <i>Panelist 3: Dr. Khalid Riaz</i> , Dean Management Sciences, COMSATS University Islamabad (CUI)
<b>13:20 – 13:30</b>	iv) <i>Panelist 4: Engr. Ahmed Farooq Bazai (SI)</i> , Vice Chancellor, Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering and Management Sciences (BUIITEMS), Balochistan
<b>13:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>Q &amp; A</b>
<b>14:00 – 15:00</b>	<b>Lunch &amp; Prayer Break</b>
<b>15:00 – 16:45</b>	<b>Technical Session 3 – Frontier Technologies: Scientific Institutions driving Innovation</b>
<b>15:00 – 15:20</b>	<b>Chair:</b> Keynote Talk – <b>Dr. Adil Najam</b> , Dean, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies Boston University, USA
	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
<b>15:20 – 15:30</b>	i) <i>Panelist 1: Dr Umar Saif</i> , UNESCO Chair for Information and Communication Technology for Development (ICTD)
<b>15:30 – 15:40</b>	ii) <i>Panelist 2: Dr. Ather Osama</i> , Member (S&T and ICT) Planning Commission, Gov. of Pakistan
<b>15:40 – 15:50</b>	iii) <i>Panelist 3: Dr. Orkun HASEKİOĞLU</i> , Vice President, Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)
<b>15:50 – 16:00</b>	iv) <i>Panelist 4: Prof. Dr. Masoom Yasinzai</i> , Vice Chancellor, International Islamic University, Islamabad
<b>16:00 – 16:15</b>	<b>Case Study – Ms. Sadia Bashir</b> , CEO & Founder, PixelArt Games Academy, Islamabad
<b>16:15 – 16:45</b>	<b>Q &amp; A</b>
<b>16:40 – 17:00</b>	<b>Closing Session</b>
<b>16:40 – 16:50</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
<b>16:50 – 16:55</b>	<b>Vote of Thanks</b>
<b>16:55 – 17:00</b>	<b>Concluding Remarks</b>