

Creating Capabilities for Growth

A Seminar for disseminating policy-relevant research

Hosted by: Consortium for Development Policy Research (CDPR) and International Growth Centre (IGC)

Date: Wednesday, November 16, 2016

Venue: Sheesh Mahal Hall, Serena Hotel, Islamabad

Draft Agenda

9:00 am – 9:45 am

Welcome

Speakers:

- Dr. Ijaz Nabi, Chairman, Consortium for Development Policy Research
- Dr. Faisal Bari, Director, Institute of Development and Economic Alternatives
- Mr. Hugh Cole, Country Program Director, International Growth Centre

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- Ms. Joanna Reid, Country Head, UK Department for International Development
- Mr. Werner Liepach, Country Director for Pakistan, Asian Development Bank
- Mr. Patchamuthu Illangovan, Country Director for Pakistan, World Bank

9:45 am – 11:20 am

Session 1: Enhancing Firm Capabilities

Chair: Mr. Haroon Akhtar, Special Assistant to Prime Minister on Revenue

Presentations:

1. “Implementing Competitive Policies for Garments Manufacturing” – Authors: Ijaz Nabi (IGC), Naved Hamid (IGC)
Presentation by Dr. Naved Hamid
2. “Management Practices in the Manufacturing Sector” – Authors: Renata Lemos (LSE), Ali Choudhary, (SBP), Nick Bloom (Stanford)
Presentation by Dr. Ali Choudhary

3. “Innovation and Firm Performance in Developing Countries: A case of Pakistani Textiles Manufacturers” – Authors: Waqar Wadho and Azam Chaudhary (Lahore School of Economics)
Presentation by Dr. Waqar Wadho

Panelists:

1. Mr. Asif Bajwa, Chief Statistician, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics
2. Dr. Shujaat Ali, Special Secretary Finance
3. Mr. Sajid Minhaas, CEO, Delta Garments

11:20 am – 1:00 pm

Session 2: Improving State Capabilities

Chair: TBD

Presentations:

1. Education Reforms in Khyber Pakhtunkwa – Authors: Masooma Habib (CDPR), Saher Asad (LUMS), Naureen Karachiwalla (IFPRI), Katrina Kosec (IFPRI)
Presentation by Dr. Saher Asad
2. “Coordinating Farmers with Cellphones: Technology Innovation in Livestock Extension in Pakistan” – Authors: Arman Razaee (UCSD), Ali Hasanain (LUMS), Yasir Khan (Berkeley)
Presentation by: Dr. Ali Hasanain
3. “Public Procurement Efficiency” – Authors: Oriana Bandiera (LSE), Micheal Best (Stanford), Adnan Khan (IGC), Andrea Pratt (Columbia)
Presentation by: Dr. Oriana Bandiera and Ms. Maha Rehman

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Panelists:

1. Mr. Ali Bahadur Qazi, MD, Public Procurement Regulatory Authority
2. Mr. Iftikhar Sahoo, Secretary Planning and Development, Punjab
3. Mr. Shehzad Bangash, Secretary Education KP
4. Mr. Qazi Issa, CEO, Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund

Lunch 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

2:00 pm – 3:35 pm

Session 3: Promoting Trade

Chair: Mr. Khurram Dastgir, Minister of Commerce

Presentations:

1. “Pakistan’s International Trade: Potential for Expansion towards East and West” –
Authors: Antonio Marasco (LUMS), Ehsan U. Choudhri (Carleton University), Ijaz Nabi
(IGC)
Presentation by Dr. Antonio Marasco and Dr. Ehsan U. Choudhri
2. “Trade Costs and Trade Composition of Export-oriented Firms ” – Author: Dr. Salamat
Ali (Nottingham University)
Presentation by Ghazan Jamal (IGC)
3. Pakistan’s Potential in Trade in Services: Tourism – Authors: Suleman Ghani (CDPR)
and CDPR team
Presentation by Dr. Turab Hussain (LUMS) and Ms. Nazish Afraz (LUMS)

Panelists:

1. Dr. Louise Walker, Economic Growth Group Head, UK Department for International
Development
2. Ms. Farrah Khan, Secretary Industries KP
3. Dr. Vaqar Ahmad, Deputy Executive Director, Sustainable Development Policy Institute
4. Dr. Asad Zaman, Vice Chancellor, Pakistan Institute of Development Economics

3:35 pm – 5:15 pm

Session 4: CPEC Panel Discussion

Chair: Ahsan Iqbal, Federal Minister of Planning and Development

Moderator: Dr. Farrukh Iqbal, Director and Dean, Institute of Business Administration, Karachi

1. Mr. Jehanzeb Khan, Chairman Planning and Development Department, Punjab
2. Ms. Naheed Memon, Chairman, Sindh Board Investment
3. Mr. Mohsin Syed, CEO, KP Economic Zones Development and Management Company

4. Dr. Safdar Sohail, Executive Director CPEC, Planning Commission
5. Mr. Noor Jomezai, Secretary Industries, Balochistan

Concluding remarks – Dr. Naved Hamid

There will be working tea throughout the event.