

Women's Studies Conference Steering Committee

Professor Anita M. Weiss, University of Oregon, and AIPS

Dr. Farzana Bari, Quaid-e-Azam University

Dr. Nasreen Aslam Shah, University of Karachi

Dr. Anis Haroon & Ms. Sofia Noreen, NCSW

Saturday, August 27, 1-7:30 pm

1-1:30 pm

Welcome: Dr. Anita M. Weiss, AIPS and Dr. Anis Haroon, NCSW

1:30 – 3:30 pm

Learning from Women's Indigenous Knowledge

Chair: Ms. Sofia Noreen, NCSW

Suniya Aamir Kiyani & Adeela Rehman "Women's Indigenous Knowledge about Folklore and Riddles in Punjab Rural Society"

Amarah Niazi "Bargaining with Patriarchy: Women's Indigenous Knowledge"

Shahid Siddiqui "Women and Literature: Reclaiming the silenced voice"

Naila Khalid "Effects of Higher Education on Understanding the Level of Social Recognition of Women in Kohat"

Mubasher Nadeem "Fair to Dare Sex: Empowering Women for National Development through Female Higher Education Institutes"

3:30 – 3:45 pm

BREAK

3:45 - 5:45 pm

Navigating Systems of Law & Justice

Chair: Dr. Farzana Bari, Quaid-e-Azam University

Ambreen Naz "Coping Strategies of Women Experiencing Domestic Violence: Dastak and Dar-ul-Aman Shelter Homes in Lahore"

Aliyah Bilgrami & Nasreen Aslam Shah "Women Prisoners in Pakistan: Changing Practices to Enforce Laws & Rights"

Justice (R) Mehra Kailash Nath Kohli "Navigating the Legal System in Pakistan"

Tahira Saleem "Persecuted by Law"

Syeda Qudsia Batool "Violence against Women: a Case of AJ & K"

5:45-6 pm

BREAK

6 - 7:30 pm

Chair: Dr. Anis Haroon, NCSW

Celebrating Fifty Years of the Muslim Family Laws Ordinance (MFLO)

Asma Fatima "The Tyranny of Verbal Divorce, the Disinherited Female and the Abandoned Child: A Strong Case for Reforming Muslim Personal Laws in Pakistan"

Riffat Butt "The Implications of Ratification of CEDAW's Article 16 for Pakistan"

Martin Lau "The Significance of the MFLO for Pakistan"

Anita Weiss "Legally Empowering Women in Pakistan: the Symbolic and Practical Importance of the MFLO Today"

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Sunday, August 28, 1-7:30 pm

1 - 3 pm

Engendering Pakistan's Economy: the Impact of The Work Women Do

Chair: Dr. Nasreen Aslam Shah, University of Karachi

Zareen Abbasi and Sadaf Mehmood "Impact of Terrorism on the Psychology of Working Women in Pakistan"

Sabahat Akram "Gender Dimensions in Textiles and Clothing Sector of Pakistan"

Farhana Nosheen, Muhammad Ahmad, and Arshad Hashmi "Poverty Alleviation by Women in Pakistan's Economy through Labour Contribution in Textile Sector"

Tauqeer Hussain Shah "Microcredit Utilization and Its Impact on Socio-economic Empowerment of Women: A Strategy to Eradicate Poverty"

3 – 3:15 pm

BREAK

3:15 – 4 pm

Publishing in Women's Studies

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4 – 6:30 pm

Creating Real Democracy

Chair: Anita M. Weiss, University of Oregon, and AIPS

Farzana Bari "The Role of Women Representatives in Promoting a Gender Equality Agenda"

Naima Tabassum "Women's Political Participation and Democracy in Pakistan"

Rafique Wassan "Exploring Women's Empowerment: A Participatory Analysis of Rural Women using the WEMC Framework"

Riffat Haque & Rabbia Aslam "Muted Voices of Rural Women: Implementation of CEDAW Article 14 in Pakistan"

Rubina Saigol "Democracy and its Discontents: Challenging Diversity, Multiculturalism and Pluralism"

Tayyaba Tamim "Languages Policy and Languages Education in Pakistan: a Tool of Gendered and Class-Based Marginalization"

6:30 – 7:30 pm

The Future of Women's Studies in Pakistan

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