

# 5<sup>th</sup>

## International Conference of Pakistan Network of Quality Assurance in Higher Education (PNQAHE) and Annual General Meeting (AGM)



April 14-16, 2025

At Forman Christian College  
(A Chartered University)-FCCU  
Lahore, Pakistan



### THEME

“Stakeholder Engagement in Quality Assurance-Shaping Higher Education with inputs from all Relevant Voices”

#### Organized by:

- Pakistan Network of Quality Assurance in Higher Education (PNQAHE)

#### In Collaboration with:

- Khyber Medical University, Peshawar
- Higher Education Commission, (HEC) Pakistan
- Forman Christian College (A Chartered University)-FCCU Lahore
- University of Child Health Sciences Lahore

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- HITEC University, Taxila Cantt.
- Iqra National University Peshawar



## Background

The Pakistan Network of Quality Assurance in Higher Education (PNQAHE) was founded during the 1st International Conference on "Quality Assurance in Higher Education," held on December 18-19, 2017, and hosted by Khyber Medical University (KMU) in Peshawar. KMU's Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC) proposed PNQAHE as a platform to connect from over 250 universities across Pakistan. The initiative received strong support from both national and international participants and reviewers. Fifteen international experts are actively involved in PNQAHE's efforts.

The PNQAHE Secretariat was officially inaugurated by **Mr. Mushtaq Ghani, Speaker of the Provincial Assembly, on October 27, 2020**. International conferences are to be held in each province of Pakistan. The network successfully organized its 2nd and 3rd international conferences at the University of Lahore (Punjab) and Shah Abdul Latif University, Khairpur (Sindh), respectively. The 4th conference was organized at the Jinnah Convention Center in Islamabad (CAPITAL).

In 2019, PNQAHE became a regional partner of the International Network of Quality Assurance Agencies of Higher Education (INQAAHE) and signed an MoU during INQAAHE's 15th conference in Sri Lanka on 26, March, 2019 with the President of INQAAHE. This partnership has helped promote PNQAHE's activities on international platforms. PNQAHE is actively engaged in the second global study initiated by INQAAHE and UNESCO

In an effort to promote quality assurance practices, PNQAHE launched Pakistan's first journal dedicated to quality assurance "Research Journal of PNQAHE". Four volumes of the journal have been published and shared in PNQAHE conferences. The Editor-in-Chief is Anca Prisacariu, Quality Assurance Director at the American Institute of Applied Sciences in Switzerland, supported by Editor Dr. Muhammad Iftikhar Ali Director QEC IQRA university and a team international reviewer. In addition, fifteen International Quality Assurance experts are actively involved in PNQAHE's efforts. The authors of best abstracts of 5th International conference will be given chance to process their research articles for publication in the upcoming issue of the Research Journal of PNQAHE.



**Meritorious Prof. Dr. Zia Ul Haq**  
President of PNQAHE  
Vice Chancellor, KMU



**Dr. Syeda Asiyah Bukhari**  
General Secretary PNQAHE  
Director QEC, KMU



**Inauguration of  
PNQAHE**



**Susanna Karakhanyan**  
consultant of PNQAHE  
(Past President of INQAAHE)



**Anca Prisacariu**  
Quality Assurance Director  
(American Institute of Applied  
Sciences in Switzerland)



**4<sup>th</sup> International Conference Workshops**

## 5th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

### CONFERENCE THEME

“Stakeholder Engagement in Quality Assurance-Shaping Higher Education with inputs from all Relevant Voices”

### CONFERENCE SUB-THEMES

- **Models of Stakeholder Engagement in QA Processes**
- **The Role of Students in QA**
- **Industry and Employer Collaboration in Higher Education QA**
- **Government, Regulatory Bodies, and Professional Associations in QA**
- **Community Engagement and Social Responsibility in QA**
- **Details of the subthemes are available on the website**

### WHO CAN ATTEND

- **Directors, Deputy Directors and staff of Quality Enhancement Cells**
- **Faculty members of HEIs**
- **Members of Accreditation Councils**
- **Representatives of Quality Assurance Agencies and Networks**
- **Students of Universities/HEIs**



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## INTERNATIONAL GUEST SPEAKERS



**Dr. Fabrice Hénard** – CEO of INQAAHE, an expert in quality assurance policies for global organizations such as the EU, OECD, and UNESCO. With experience advising over 70 governments, he has developed quality frameworks, procedure manuals, and national QA agencies. His recent work focuses on micro-credentials, e-learning quality assurance, and internationalization.



**Dr. Inga Afanasieva** – Senior Economist at the World Bank's South Asia Education team, stationed in Islamabad. She has worked across Sub-Saharan Africa, Central Asia, and East Asia Pacific, specializing in innovative financing and education reform. She has led outcome-based financing initiatives and previously served as Chief of Staff at the Moldovan Ministry of Education. She holds degrees from Georgetown University and the Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova.



**Dr. Gaidi Faraj** – Dean of Academics at the American Institute of Applied Sciences in Switzerland. With three decades of experience across four continents, he has pioneered sustainable institutional models and higher education reform, including the first Global Challenges degree program in Africa.



**Emilia Todorova** – Head of Academic Quality and Learning at the University of Gibraltar. She specializes in fostering quality cultures, student engagement, and policy development. She has led initiatives on generative AI and previously held roles at major Scottish education bodies.



**Dr. Eltjo Bazen** – Chief Product Owner of Quality Assurance at HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht, with expertise in European QA networks and EFQM assessments. His background integrates philosophy, business management, and quality assurance.



**Dr. Selva Staub** – Specializes in quality assurance and accreditation in higher education, serving as an evaluator for YÖKAK, FIBAA, STAR and YÖDAK. She provides consultancy on accreditation to various institutions, contributes to accreditation processes, and teaches at Mus Alparslan University.

## INTERNATIONAL GUEST SPEAKERS



**Dr. Alaa Garad** – Quality Management and Organizational Learning expert with over 30 years of experience. A former Pro Vice-Chancellor at Al Maktoum College, he has developed award-winning academic programs and is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.



**Dr. Bassam AlHamad** – A leading expert in accreditation and QA, having evaluated over 100 programs and trained 10,000 professionals. He is a member of INQAAHE, ANQAHE, and AIFED, and has consulted for multiple international bodies.



**Dr. Jakub Grodecki** – Policy and Project Manager at EURASHE, specializing in European Higher Education Policies, the Bologna Process, and the European Quality Assurance Register (EQAR). He has served on advisory councils and worked on higher education policies at the European level.



**Dr. Irine Darchia** - is an Associate Professor at Ivane Javakishvili Tbilisi State University and a Higher Education Expert. She has held leadership positions in universities and government, including Head of Quality Assurance and Vice-Rector. Dr. Darchia collaborates with quality assurance agencies globally and has participated in external assessments of educational programs and universities in various countries. She is a member of international advisory boards and committees, including NAQA (Ukraine) and MFHEA (Malta), and has expertise in accreditation and quality assurance.

### TIMELINE - KEY DATES

Activity	Dates
Registration for Conference Starts	January 1 <sup>st</sup> 2025
Deadline for the registration of Conference	March 31 <sup>st</sup> 2025
Pre-Conference Workshops by International Experts	April 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2025 (Monday)
International Conference	April 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2025 (Tuesday) April 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2025 (Wednesday)
Note: Approved papers will be published in Journal of PNQAHE with the consent of the Author	

## ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation details are available on website  
<https://pnqahe.org/conference/>

## WORKSHOPS SCHEDULE

### Morning (9:00 am-12:30 pm)

S.No	Workshop Title	Resource Person
1	Workshop on Institutional Self-Assessment: conditions and practices for successful self-assessment	Dr. Fabrice Hénard
2	Mastering the ADRI Model: Elevating Self_ Study Reports for Quality Excellence"	Dr. Bassam Al-Hamad
3	Engaging stakeholders for success: designing generative AI strategies in academic institutions	Emilia Todorova
4	Aligning Academic Programs with Industry Needs: Strategies for Creating Effective Partnership	Dr. Alaa Garad

### Afternoon (1:30 pm-5:00 pm)

5	The Professional Field Committee, How to Build an Effective Structure for Collecting External Input	Dr. Eltjo Bazen
6	Enhancing Learning Outcomes in Higher Education	Dr. Selva Staub
7	Mapping the Maze: Mastering Stakeholder Engagement for Quality Assurance	Dr. Gaidi Faraj
8	Strategic Role of Quality Assurance Frameworks and Stakeholder Engagement	Dr. Jakub Grodecki
9	Involvement of Internal and External Stakeholders in Higher Education Curricula Development	Dr. Irine Darchia

## REGISTRATION FEE

S.No	Subject	Faculty/Staff (PKR)	PNQAHE Members (PKR)	Students (PKR)	Group Members (Max=5) (PKR)	International Participants (USD)
1	Registration fee for Conference	10,000	6,500	8,000	6,500 (per Participant)	100
2	Registration fee for pre-conference Workshop by International Experts	For One Workshop 3,500	For One Workshop 3,000	3,500	3,500 (per Participant)	50
		For Two Workshop 5,000	For Two Workshop 4,500			

**Note: Workshops, Conference meals, stationery and dinner on 15 April, 2025 will be covered in the registration fee.**

## FORMAN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE (A CHARTERED UNIVERSITY)

Forman Christian College (A Chartered University) was founded in 1864 by Dr. Charles W. Forman. Initially named Lahore Mission College, it was renamed in 1894. The institution began awarding degrees through Calcutta University, later transitioning to the University of the Punjab. In 2004, FCCU was chartered as a university and started awarding its own degrees in 2009. FCCU has a rich history of growth, from 18 students in 1886 to approximately 9,000 students today. The campus has undergone significant development, relocating to its current 100-acre site in 1940. Notable alumni include two Presidents and two Prime Ministers of Pakistan. FCCU has contributed to national service, providing relief during natural disasters and playing a pivotal role during significant events. After nationalization in 1972, the college was returned to private ownership in 2003. Today, FCCU is recognized as one of the finest educational institutions in the subcontinent, fostering a community of scholars, leaders, and change-makers.



### International Conference Activity

April 14, 2025 Pre-conference workshop					
Registration of the workshops	Morning workshops		Afternoon workshops		
8:00-9:00 AM	9:00 AM-12:30 PM		1:30-5:00 PM		
April 15, 2025 International Conference					
Registration of the Conference	Inaugural and plenary session	Lunch & prayer break	Abstracts presentations	Annual General Meeting (AGM)	Cultural shows and Dinner
8:00-9:00 AM	9:00 AM-1:00 PM	1:00-2:00 PM	2:00-4:00 PM	4:30-5:30 PM	7:00-9:30 PM
April 16, 2025 International Conference					
—	Plenary session and panel discussion	Closing ceremony	Lunch & Prayer break	Visit to historical places of Lahore (Tour fee with dinner) 2000/- Registration	
8:00-9:00 AM	9:00 AM-1:00 PM	1:00-2:00 PM	2:00 PM	3:00-7:00 PM	

## Online Registration For Conference & Workshop



### For More Information PNQAHE Secretariate, KMU

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