



# NED UNIVERSITY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY, KARACHI



## 5<sup>th</sup> SEMINAR ON URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING “URBAN PLANNING IN MARKET ECONOMY SITUATION”

### Background

Four seminars on urban and regional planning have been organized by the NED University in 2004, 2005, 2007 and 2009 on the broad issues of education, practice, learning from experiences, planning and managing urban change, and planning in a globalising world. International and national experts deliberated at length the key matter related to the broad themes. Contributions in the form of peer reviewed papers made the intellectual substance of these formidable events. The papers and seminar proceedings have been published in four volumes. All these were distributed free of cost to the concerned individuals, institutions and academic links.

It appears that the nascent market practices are at conflict with the cardinal merits of urban planning. Nascent rise in real estate development across the globe, mega projects in infrastructure and meteoric rise in consumerist trends are instances viewed with concern by planners and civil society ranks. Challenging paradigms in the form of environmental sustainability and ecological conservation have been postulated. A balance between the market practices and prescriptions for resources utilisation – especially land and resources – need to be evolved.

### Objective

The objective of the fifth seminar is to create a platform for exchanging research and professional works around the theme and help enhance the understanding of the related issues.

### Requirements

Scholars, practitioners and academics are invited to contribute research papers focusing on the above mentioned theme. The length of the paper must not exceed **6000 words**. Text should be typed and printed on **A-4 sized sheets**. A **soft copy** should accompany the paper as a **Microsoft Word Document**. As the papers selected for presentation shall be published in a book form, contributors are requested to send their drafts complete in all respects. The last date to submit the abstract (not exceeding 200 words) is **20 March 2010**. Upon acceptance for presentation by the Scientific Committee, the contributors shall be requested to send the complete draft until **03 April 2010**.

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### Dead Lines

Last Date for  
Submission of  
Abstract  
**20 March 2010**

Last Date for  
Submission of  
Complete Draft  
**03 April 2010**

Date of Seminar  
**10 April 2010**

Venue  
**NED University  
Main Campus  
Auditorium  
Karachi, Pakistan**