

Ida Rieu Schools and Colleges for Blind and Deaf and **NED University of Engineering and Technology** have collaborated to organize an International Conference on **Higher Education for Deaf in Pakistan (HEDP 2022)** in September, 2022. Ida Rieu has emerged as Pakistan's premier institution providing Special Education and training from Montessori to Masters Level. It provides quality education, assistive technologies, vocational training, health care, counselling services, sports and fitness training, job placements and other allied facilities to their students free of cost. The year 2022 is centennial year of Ida Rieu and the conference is to mark one century of dedicated services to Special people. The purpose of this conference is to bring experts and stakeholders together for consultation higher education for the deaf in Pakistan. Accepted papers will be submitted for inclusion into mdpi proceedings subject to meeting their scope and quality requirements. The conference has been organized on Monday 19, September 2022 which will commence with the inauguration session followed by the technical session as follows:

INNAUGRATION SESSION

10:25 am	Arrival & Registration of Guests
11:00 am	Arrival of Chief Guest
11:03 am	National Anthem
11:05 am	Qiraat
11:10 am	Welcome Address
11:15 am	Keynote Address
11:25 am	Presentation IRWA Students
11:30 am	Address President IRWA
11:35 am	Address VC NED
11:40 am	Address by Guest of Honor
11:50 am	Address by Chief Guest
12:00 pm	Presentation of Shield to the CM
12:05 pm	Group Photo
12:10 pm	Lunch

TECHNICAL SESSION

	TECHNICAL SESSION I	TECHNICAL SESSION II
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Venue: Room No. 1 Conference Room – Second Floor Panjwanai Block Chair: Dr Hashim Raza Khan (NED) Somayeh Bardai (IRWA)	Venue: Seminar Hall – Room No. 2 First Floor Panjwani Block Chair: Dr Maria Waqas (NED) Muzna Masood (IRWA)
2:30 pm – 2:50 pm	Caregiver Perspectives Dr. Abul Hasan, Associate Professor NED University (Physical)	Career Opportunities for Deaf People Dr Raheela Asif, Associate Professor NED University (Physical)
2:50 pm – 3:00 pm	QA session	QA session
3:00 pm – 3:20 pm	Career Counselling in Pakistan: Higher Education counselling for deaf / hard of hearing students Khaula Rizwan, International Educational Consultant Fulbright Alumna (2015-2017) EdM Special Education - Boston University (Online)	Optimisation of Pedagogical methods for deaf learners in Computer Science Dr Saman Hina, Associate Professor NED University (Physical)
3:20 pm- 3:30 pm	QA session	QA session
3:30 pm – 3:50pm	Why Ali Can't Read - and what we can do about it! Richard Geary, Founder and Director Deaf Reach Schools and Colleges. Washington University Ohio State University (Physical)	 Dr Shagufta Shahzadi
3:50pm – 4:00pm	QA session	QA session
4:00pm – 4:15pm	BREAK	BREAK
4:15pm – 5:45pm	TECHNICAL SESSION III Venue: Room No. 1 Conference Room – Second Floor Panjwanai Block Chair: Dr Muhammad Mubashir Khan(NED) Murtaza Jafri (IRWA)	TECHNICAL SESSION IV Venue: Seminar Hall – Room No. 2 First Floor Panjwani Block Chair: Dr Sadia Muniza (NED) Nazia Kamal (IRWA)
4:15pm – 4:35pm	Making Higher Education inclusive -Interpretation & Imperatives Amima Sayeed, Director Continuing Education Program (Physical)	Role of Computer Technology Saba Ghazali (Physical) QA session Video Perception Study Aneeqa Bano (Physical) QA session Benchmarking Higher education for deaf in Pakistan Syed Muhammad Saad Kazmi (Physical) Interpersonal and technological challenges Maraj Ahmed Siddiqui (Physical) QA session
4:35 pm – 4:45 pm	QA session	
4:45 pm – 5:05 pm	Unmet need of higher educational facilities for differently abled persons Muhammad Khan Ranjha, Secretary DEPD (Physical)	
5:05 pm – 5:15 pm	QA session	
5:15 pm – 5:35 pm	Empowerment of PwDs for social integration as well as in economic self-reliance. Zaigham Mahmood Rizvi, Chairman Sir Syed Deaf Association (Physical)	
5:35 pm - 5:45 pm	QA session	

CLOSING SESSION

6:00 pm – 6:55 pm	CLOSING SESSION
6:00 pm	Gathering
6:00 pm – 6:05 pm	Recitation of Holy Quran
6:05 pm – 6:20 pm	Concluding Remarks
6:20 pm – 6:25 pm	Address by Ida Rieu
6:25 pm – 6:30 pm	Address by NED University
6:30 pm – 6:40 pm	Address by Chief Guest
6:40 pm – 6:50 pm	Awards and Souvenir
6:50 pm – 6:55 pm	Photographic Session
6:55 pm	HI-TEA

The honorable speakers participating in the International Conference on Higher Education for Deaf in Pakistan include:



Dr. Lampros K. Stergioulas

UNESCO Chair / Professor in AI & Data Science
The Hague University of Applied Sciences



Richard Geary

Founder and Director Programs at FESF
Initiated the Programs for Skills Training and Employment to the Deaf Community in Pakistan
The Ohio State University



Zaigham Mahmood Rizvi

Expert Consultant Housing and Housing Finance (CGAP/World Bank Group)
Multi-Lateral Organizations – OSU-USA, Engineering University Lahore, Punjab University Silver Spring, Maryland, United States
Mr. Zaigham is well-known in the Deaf Rights Advocate., accredited with supporting Deaf Organizations. He is also conducting Research as C-author of the book on the subject.



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