



Two-Day International Conference on
Migration and Desertification

5-6 January 2011

Conference Programme

Organized by:

Department of Rural Sociology

In Collaboration with:

International Center for Development and
Decent Work (ICDD)



University of Agriculture
Faisalabad

9:00- 11:30

Inaugural Session (Iqbal Auditorium)

Presided by

Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmad Khan
Vice Chancellor, U.A.F

Chief Guest

Prof. Dr. Nizam-ud- Din
Vice Chancellor, University of Gujrat

Guest of Honour

Ms. Ursula Saarbeck
Director, DAAD, Islamabad

Opening Remarks

Prof. Dr. Ashfaq Ahmad Maann
Chairman, Department of Rural Sociology

Welcome Address

Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmad Khan
Vice Chancellor

Key Note Address

Prof. Dr. Beatrice Knerr
Head of the Department of Migration &
Development University of Kassel, Germany

Address by Guest of Honour

Address by Chief Guest

Vote of Thanks

Prof. Dr.M. Iqbal Zafar
Dean, Faculty of Agri. Economics & Rural Sociology
Tea / Refreshment

11:30

12:00- 13:30

Panel Discussion (New Senate Hall)
Migration and Desertification

Chair:

Dr. Sabiha H. Syed

Director Migration Research Center, Islamabad

Panelists:

1. Prof. Dr. Beatrice Knerr - Deptt. Migration & Development Kassel Uni. Germany
2. Dr. G. M. Arif - Joint Director, PIDE University, Islamabad
3. Dr. Naushin Mahmood - Ex-Vice Chancellor, PIDE University, Islamabad
4. Prof. Dr. Nizam-ud- Din - Vice Chancellor, University of Gujrat
- 5 Prof. Dr. Grace Clark - Deptt. of Sociology, F.C College University, Lahore.

13:30- 14:30 Lunch Break

14:30- 16:30

Technical Session (New Senate Hall)
Migration, Gender and Domestic workers

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Grace Clark

Deptt, of Sociology, F.C. College University, Lahore

Presentations:

1. The disintegration of the pastoral Bucolic Splendour, Its Impacts and Mitigation Measures - **Dr. Abdillahi Aboud**
2. International Migration and Domestic workers: An Analytical Review & lessons for Pakistan - **Prof. Dr. Ashfaq Ahmad Maann**
3. Migration of Highly Qualified to Germany, A case studies on migrant from Iran,India,Jordan, Nepal and China - **Prof. Dr. Beatrice Knerr**
4. A Study on Chinese Students in Germany - **Zhao Xi**
5. Influence of Migration on HIV/AIDS - **Dr. Shahbaz Ahmad**
6. Rural - Urban Migration in Pakistan:The Gender Perspective - **Faiza Rashid & Saira Akhtar**

19:00- 21:00 Cultural Show (Iqbal Auditorium)

Day-2

09:30- 11:30

Technical Session (New Senate Hall)
Migration, Livelihoods and Resettlement Issues

Chair

Dr. G. M. Arif

Joint Director, PIDE University,

Presentations:

1. Role of Remittances in Reducing Vulnerability and Improving Livelihoods of Forest Dweller in Northwest Pakistan - **Babar Shahbaz and Tanvir Ali**
2. Impact of international migration on the livelihoods of immigrants - **Sabah Saleem, Izhar Khan, Ashfaq Maann**
3. Women Health Issues in Displaced communities of flood affected areas - **Mehnaz Gull , Saira Akhtar**
4. Role of International Migration in Agricultural Development and Farmer's Livelihoods: A Case Study of an Agrarian Community - **Sadaf Mahmood, Izhar Ahmed Khan**

5. Public Policies Support to International Migration and Socio-Demographic Impact of International Remittances on the Families Left Behind in Pakistan - **Saif Abbasi, Zahira Batool and M. Iqbal Zafar**
6. A study of Chinese Migrants in Germany - **Zhao Xi**
7. Pastoralism, Migration and Environmental Health - **Dr. Abdillahi Aboud**

11:30—12:00

Tea

12:00- 13:30

Panel Discussion
Migration and Policy Issues

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Saeed Shafqat

Director, Center for Public Policy and Governance,
F.C. College University Lahore

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Egerton University, Kenya

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Concluding Session

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Dr. Iqrar Ahmad Khan

Vice Chancellor, UAF

Chief Guest

Prof. Dr. Zakir Hussain

Vice Chancellor, G.C.U. Faisalabad

Guest of honour-I

Dr. Nousheen Mahmood

EX-Vice Chancellor PIDE University, Islamabad

Vote of Thanks

Prof. Dr. Asif Ali

Director External Linkages, UAF