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## 'Iqbal as History, Iqbal as Commodity' by Dr. Noman ul Haq

Distinguished Lecture Series aimed at assessing the literary, philosophical, and political status of Dr. Allama Iqbal



May 07, 2018: The IBA, Karachi organized a distinguished lecture series by Dr. Noman ul Haq, Professor, Department of Social Sciences and Liberal Arts IBA, on 'Iqbal as History, Iqbal as Commodity' at the AMAN Tower. Eighty years after the death of Allama Iqbal, the lecture aimed at assessing the literary, philosophical, and political status of Dr. Allama Iqbal. Dr. Haq's assessments were based essentially on primary sources, particularly Iqbal's Urdu and Persian poetry as well as his private letters.

## Seed Capital Distribution Ceremony

Sindh research incubation centre welcomes its first batch



April 30, 2018: Sindh research incubation centre – executed by IBA, Karachi and funded by Information, Science & Technology Department – welcomed its first batch and gave seed capital for each startup in the ceremony. A total 8 teams out of hundreds of applications were selected for the year-long incubation program at the IBA.

## Talent Hunt Program - Bridging gaps

NTHP student receives admission in Harvard Summer School

Aqib Mehmood, an NTHP scholar from the Mansehra district and enrolled in the Computer Sciences Batch 2015, received admission in Harvard Summer School for an exchange semester in summer 2018 at the Harvard University. Harvard has an acceptance rate of 5.4%, and Aqib managed to be in the top 80 students from 150+ countries. He is also the first student selected for the course from IBA, Karachi as well as from Pakistan.



## Trade and Development Report 2017

Beyond austerity: Towards a global new deal



May 04, 2018: Dr. Aadil Nakhoda, Assistant Professor IBA, arranged a video conference in G & T Auditorium, between UNCTAD – United Nations Conference for Trade and Development – and his students of International Trade and History of Economic Thought courses. The presentation was followed by a short discussion with Dr. Farrukh Iqbal, in which he exchanged views regarding the impact of the Trade and Development Report 2017 and shared his opinions on CPEC.

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This Eid let's celebrate diversity!

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IBA Karachi

## News flash from CEJ

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CEJ conducts a media skills development workshop

CEJ IBA  
Centre for Excellence in Journalism



May 08, 2018: The Centre for Excellence in Journalism (CEJ) conducted a media skills development workshop for six corporate executives of Sanofi-Aventis pharmaceutical company. The workshop was conducted by journalist and anchorperson, Najia Ashar. The aim of the workshop was to train executives on how to communicate on behalf of Sanofi about the company and its products on social media. CEJ Director, Kamal Siddiqi, also delivered a lecture on Pakistan's media landscape and ethics.

## CEJ conducts a panel discussion on sexual harassment



May 10, 2018: The CEJ conducted a panel discussion on 'Breaking the silence on sexual harassment'. The session was moderated by Fariha Aziz, journalist and co-founder of Bolo Bhi. The panelists included scholar and activist, Afiya Shehribano Zia; Sindh High Court advocate, Sara Malkani; CEJ lecturer, Shahzeb Ahmed; Dawn assistant editor, Razeshta Sethna; and, writer and member of Girls at Dhabas, Sadia Khatri.

## CED - Turning ideas into reality

An initiative by AMAN-CED and KayDrive to encourage students & startups to develop low-cost technology solutions

IBA AMAN-CED



May 04, 2018: The AMAN Center for Entrepreneurial Development (AMAN-CED) in collaboration with KayDrive, organized Exon Innovation 1.0 Meetup named as "Innovation Day" at the IBA Karachi. The aim of the event was to encourage students and startups to develop low-cost technology solutions through their projects and ideas.

## CICT - Syncing with technology

IBA-BBSHRDB Certificate Distribution Ceremony

IBA CICT  
Center for Information & Communication Technology  
Institute of Business Administration



April 25, 2018: A certificate distribution ceremony was held at IBA in which Director ICT & CICT, Mr. Imran Batada, distributed certificates to all students of all the 9 courses offered, along with the teachers and management of the IBA-BBSHRDB Program.

## QEC - Ensuring quality education

QEC conducts program evaluations and external review meetings to adhere to HEC requirements



May 08, 2018: In order to meet the HEC requirements, Quality Enhancement Cell, IBA conducted a program evaluation of MBA Executive and MS-IBF to check the program compliance against the standards prescribed by the Quality Assurance Agency, HEC. The assessment teams visited the Executive MBA and MS Islamic Banking & Finance programs to carry out meetings.



May 11, 2018: To comply with the HEC requirements, QEC IBA conducted an external review meeting of the PhD Economics Program at the IBA. The purpose of the meeting was to audit the program against the HEC minimum criteria to check its compliance in terms of program structure, resources, policies and its overall progress.



May 15, 2018: Ms. Suraiya Khatoon, Manager QEC, participated in a symposium on 'Managing quality of assessment in HEIs' which was organized by the Quality Enhancement Cell of Ziauddin University.

## News from the Examination Department

Final examinations for the Spring semester 2018 have been successfully conducted at the main and city campuses. This procedure was made effective due to the co-operation of the associated staff members.

## A memorable career excursion facilitated by CDC



May 01-03, 2018: Career Development Center (CDC), in collaboration with the Fatima Fertilizer Company Limited (FFCL), executed the first ever career excursion to a corporate organization. Team CDC along with 25 students of MBA graduating classes of 2018 and 2019, visited FFCL's state-of-the-art Sadiqabad production plant for a three-day, fully sponsored visit as an extension to Fatima Group's Empower to Lead (E2L) Management Trainee Program. The activities not only augmented knowledge of the students but also offered an amazing learning exposure to the visitors.

## Guest lectures arranged by CEIF



May 05, 2018: A session was conducted on 'Islamic Derivatives' by Dr. Eskandar Mohammad Shah Rasid, Dean of the School for Graduate Studies INCEIF, for the MS IBF students.

## Finance Department - Updates

### IBA signs agreements with banks to make the fee payment process smooth



Director Finance IBA, Mr. Moeid Sultan, and CEO 1Link, Mr. Najeeb Agrawala, signed an agreement at the 1Link Head Office. The IBA will be able to collect fees from ATMs and websites of affiliated banks, once the system is implemented. The project is targeted to be live by spring 2019.



The IBA signed an agreement with Meezan Bank for Cash Management Solution. The facility will enable the collection of fees from students at all the branches of Meezan Bank and help IBA automate its actions on triggers based on cash collection.

## Alumni participate in MBA Admissions Interviews Fall 2018

May 14-18, 2018: Around 60 alumni participated in the MBA admissions interview panel. CEOs of various renowned companies and other seasoned professionals took out time to serve their alma mater through the selection of candidates. Alumni from as far back as 1972 were present at their available time slots and were satisfied with the quality of candidates inducted for the MBA program.

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## Annual Iftar 2018

An Iftar was arranged to encourage unity amongst the employees



May 25, 2018: Continuing its longstanding tradition, an Iftar dinner was held at the Alumni Student Center IBA, to commemorate the holy spirit of Ramazan. The event was attended with tremendous zeal and fervor by both faculty and staff.

Executive Director IBA, Dr. Farrukh Iqbal; Director Finance, Mr. Moeid Sultan; General Manager Administration, Mr. Aamer Shabbir; Acting HR Head, Mr. Jami Moiz, attended the Iftar. Senior IBA faculty, Dr. Nasir Touheed, Dr. Junaid Alam, Dr. Irum Saba, Dr. Zeenat Ismail, Dr. Nadya Chishty, Ms. Maria Hassan, Dr. Sheeba Saeed, and Ms. Nida Aslam Khan, along with many others, were also present to promote a spirit of unity & harmony amongst the IBA employees.

## Executive Director's activities

Dr. Farrukh addresses the 10th anniversary of the Swiss Business Council in Pakistan



May 09, 2018: To mark the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Swiss Business Council (SBC) in Pakistan, the Consulate General of Switzerland in Karachi in collaboration with the SBC hosted an exclusive event at the Swiss Consul General's residence. The keynote address was delivered by Executive Director IBA Karachi, Dr. Farrukh Iqbal, who presented his views on Pakistan's macroeconomic matters in perspective of the challenges and opportunities for foreign investors.

Executive Director IBA honored by Sapphire Group

May 14, 2018: A lunch was hosted by the Chairman and Founder of the Sapphire Group, Mr. Mian Muhammad Abdullah, in honor of the Executive Director IBA at the Karachi Boat Club. Welcoming the Executive Director, Mian Abdullah, praised him for successfully leading the IBA. Speaking at the occasion, Dr. Farrukh said that the IBA is grateful for the generous contribution by the corporate sector as well as the philanthropists. He requested the distinguished gathering to continue supporting the cause of higher education and help strengthen IBA's financial assistance program.

Among prominent individuals who attended the event were Ms. Sima Kamil, President and CEO of United Bank Ltd.; Mr. Muhammad Aurangzeb, President & CEO of Habib Bank Ltd.; Mian Javed Ihsan, the CEO of Ihsan Sons Ltd.; Mian Anwar Tata, Chairman of the Tata Group; and Mr. Shahid Shafiq, Member of the Board of Governors, IBA Karachi.