

INDIA-PAKISTAN REGIONAL YOUNG LEADERS FORUM

Islamabad, Pakistan – September 27 - 29, 2013

Agenda

Friday, September 27, 2013

- Afternoon Arrivals & check-in
Venue: Islamabad Marriott Hotel, Aga Khan Road, Shalimar 5
- 6:00pm Introductions
Dress: Business Casual
- 7:00pm Reception and Dinner
Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott
- Welcome Remarks:
- Michael G. Kulma**
Executive Director, Global Leadership Initiatives
Asia Society
- Raza Rumi**
Director Policy and Programs
The Jinnah Institute

Saturday, September 28, 2013

7:30am Breakfast
Venue: Nadia Coffee Shop, Islamabad Marriott

8:30 - 9:30am *Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott*

**Session I
Leadership and Values**

- What is leadership?
- What leaders inspire you and what lessons can be drawn from their leadership?
- What is the difference between a leader and a manager?
- Who are some of the current leaders in India, Pakistan, and South Asia who personify values-based leadership and public service?

Facilitators:

Donya Aziz
Former Member of the
Parliament
Pakistan

Satchit Balsari
Emergency Physician
New York-Presbyterian Hospital

9:30 - 11:00am *Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott*

**Session II
The Five Biggest Opportunities and Challenges in India-Pakistan Relations**

- How can the current demographics in India and Pakistan (over 60% of Pakistan's population is below the age of 30 and 65% of India's population is below the age of 35) address these major challenges and take advantage of the unique opportunities they present?
- What are the commonalities and differences between the younger generation Indians and their counterparts across the border in Pakistan?
- Would the new leadership in Pakistan and the upcoming general elections in India next May help or hinder the bilateral relationship?

Facilitators:

Aaysha Amaan
Chief Executive Officer
& Managing Director
Aaryans Group

Yasser Hamdani
Lawyer

11:00am - 12:00pm *Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott*

**Session III
The Role of Social Media in Advancing India-Pakistan Relations**

- How can social media be used creatively to dispel negative portrayals of the "other" and foster dialogue and understanding between the two neighbors?
- What are some of the best examples of social media efforts to bring two opposing neighbors together? Examples from the South Asian region and across Asia?
- With social media growing so rapidly, what are the roles of print, radio, and television?

Facilitators:

Samar Ata-Ullah
Freelance Media
Management
Consultant

Tridivesh Singh Maini
Independent Writer and
Columnist

12:00 - 1:00pm

Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott
Lunch

1:00 - 2:30pm

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Session IV

Violence against Women in South Asia: Men's Role in Women's Empowerment

- Why are girls and women still subjected to violence, systemic discrimination, and barriers that stymie their potential and progress?
- Despite greater coverage of the issues pertaining to violence against women, why are we not seeing commensurate levels of positive change in attitudes towards women and efforts to end discriminatory cultural practices?
- What are the roles and responsibilities of boys and men in ensuring gender equality and preventing despicable acts of violence against women and girls?

Facilitators:

Sarah Husain
Editor
*Voices of Resistance:
Muslim Women on War,
Faith and Sexuality*

Rohit Kumar
Head of Policy Team
Office of Mr. Baijayant 'Jay'
Panda, Member of Parliament of
India (MP)

2:30 - 3:30pm

Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott

Session V

Empowering Civil Society and the NGO Community: Meeting of the Minds

- What are the common challenges that NGOs in India and Pakistan face in carrying out their work?
- What are some of the successful examples of cross-border civil society and NGO partnerships? What explains their success?
- What can the 2013 Class of IPRYLI Fellows learn from these successful examples as they begin their fellowship year and public service project?

Facilitators:

Priti Radhakrishnan
Co-Founder and Director
Treatment Access of
I-MAK

Saba Shaikh
Director Advocacy and
Networking
Dastak

3:30 - 4:00pm

Break

4:00 - 5:30pm

Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott

Session VI

Brainstorming session:

Cross-Border Public Service Project (PSP)

Identify and draw up a list of critical need areas that the fellows can jointly focus on for their public-service project. The Project should be relevant for both India and Pakistan, practical, and manageable within the fellowship year.

5:30 - 6:30pm

Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott

Session VII

Open Space Exercise

This time slot is set aside for a topic(s) that the group jointly decides to discuss. It could build on an earlier conversation or be something entirely new.

7:00pm

Departure

7:30pm

Dinner & Evening Activity

Sunday, September 29, 2013

8:00am Breakfast
Venue: Nadia Coffee Shop, Islamabad Marriott

9:00am - 10:00am *Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott*

**Session VIII
Team-building Exercise and Moments of Truth**

10:00am - 12:00pm *Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott*

**Session IX
Public Service Project rollout plan**

Jointly develop a detailed plan of action with corresponding timeline to bring the agreed upon project into fruition over the course of the fellowship year.

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**Session X
Discussion of Media Outreach Strategy**

Outline a broad media outreach strategy to highlight the IPRYLI activities as well as profiles and work of the fellows.

Facilitators:

Mehmal Sarfraz
Regional Deputy
Secretary General
South Asian Free Media
Association (SAFMA)

Tridivesh Singh Maini
Independent Writer and
Columnist

2:00 - 3:00pm *Venue: Noor Mahal Hall, Islamabad Marriott*

Looking Forward & Closing Remarks

Michael G. Kulma
Executive Director, Global Leadership Initiatives
Asia Society

3:30pm Departures begin