



ECOSF NEWSLETTER



Pakistan's first-ever National Adaptation Plan on Climate Change unveiled.

National Adaptation Plan (NAP) of Pakistan was unveiled on August 3, 2023 by Prime Minister of Pakistan H.E. Mian Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif. The core objective of the Plan is to enhance the nation's resilience against adverse impacts of climate change and environmental degradation.

NAP is a framework for implementing large-scale environmental adaptation, building climate resilience, promoting inclusivity, and facilitating collaboration among different stakeholders, and serves as an effective tool for climate finance mobilisation.

The unveiling ceremony was arranged at PM Secretariat by the Ministry of Climate Change and Environmental Coordination (MOCCEC). Prime Minister of Pakistan was the Chief Guest whereas, the ceremony attended by the Ministers, Member Parliaments, Ambassadors, Diplomats, High Officials, Media Persons, General Public, etc. President ECOSF Prof. Seyed Komail Tayebi along with Manager (Admin) Ghulam Abbas Rahar also attended the Ceremony on special invitation.



Prime Minister of Pakistan H.E. Mian Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif highly appreciated the efforts of the MOCCEC especially Minister of MOCCEC H.E. Senator Sherry Rehman for preparing an important Plan to combat the crisis of climate change in Pakistan. He urged international community to join and help Pakistan to tackle the crisis of climate amicably.



Minister of MOCCEC H.E. Senator Sherry Rehman welcomed all the distinguished guests and participants. She also shared important points of the plan. She further said that the initiative marks a big step forward in Pakistan's commitment to combat the challenges posed by climate change.

She said that, after the 2022 mega-flood impacted 33 million people of Pakistan and broke all records of monsoon flooding in the world, the plan became an urgent need for the country.

UN Resident Coordinator Mr. Julien Harneis also addressed and praised the efforts of Pakistan especially during COP-27 in Egypt last year (2022) to sensitize the international community about disastrous effects faced by Pakistan due to Green House Gases (GHGs) in the shape of flooding and melting the glaciers. He assured maximum possible support of UNDP for the cause.

High-Level Delegation from Kyrgyzstan Visits ECOSF to Strengthen Science and Technology Collaboration in the ECO Region

A high-level delegation from the Kyrgyz Republic visited the ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF) on August 31, 2023, to discuss and enhance collaboration in the field of science and technology within the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) region. The delegation was warmly received by Professor Seyed Komail Tayebi, President of ECOSF.



The distinguished delegation consisted of:

1. H.E. Academician Mr. Kubanychbek Zhumaliev, Former Prime Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic.
2. H.E. Mr. Ulanbek Totuiaev, Ambassador of Kyrgyzstan to Pakistan.
3. Mr. Damir Murataaly uulu, Assistant to the Ambassador.

During the visit, Professor Tayebi commended the Kyrgyz Republic for its significant contributions to the promotion of science and technology in the ECO region. He highlighted ECOSF's potential to support Kyrgyzstan as a vital member state and emphasized the Foundation's role in facilitating collaborations between universities, research institutions, and businesses across Kyrgyzstan and other ECO member states. This collaborative approach aims to bridge the gap between scientific research and practical applications, benefiting the entire ECO region. Prof. Tayebi called upon the delegation to follow up the ECOS ratification by Kyrgyz Republic.



Mr. Khalil Raza, the Programme Manager of ECOSF, provided the delegation with a detailed presentation outlining the ongoing programs and future initiatives of ECOSF to bolster Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) within the ECO region, with a particular focus on Kyrgyzstan. Mr. Raza also highlighted the Foundation's efforts in providing science education and training programs to Central Asian member countries, contributing to the development of a skilled STI workforce.

Both H.E. Academician Mr. Kubanychbek Zhumaliev and H.E. Ambassador Mr. Ulanbek Totuiaev expressed their deep appreciation for Professor Tayebi's leadership and ECOSF's vision in promoting STI within the ECO region. They reaffirmed their unwavering support for ECOSF's mission and committed to assisting the Foundation in reaching its full potential. The officials also stressed the importance placed by the Government of Kyrgyzstan on promoting science, technology, innovation, and economic integration within the ECO region, underscoring the necessity for comprehensive collaboration among academia, industry, and institutions like ECOSF.



The visit concluded with a gesture of gratitude from ECOSF. Professor Tayebi presented the ECOSF shields to H.E. Academician Mr. Kubanychbek Zhumaliev and H.E. Ambassador Mr. Ulanbek Totuiaev as a token of appreciation for their visit and support.

President ECOSF hosted Ambassador of Islamic Republic of Iran in Pakistan to discuss the potential ways to promote STI in Iran and ECO region

Ambassador of Islamic Republic of Iran in Pakistan, H.E. Dr. Reza Amiri Moghaddam visited the ECOSF Secretariat and held a meeting with President ECOSF Prof. Seyed Komail Tayebi in Islamabad on August 9, 2023. President ECOSF Prof. Tayebi warmly welcomed the Ambassador Amiri Moghaddam to the ECOSF. Mr. Hadi Golriz, Third Secretary, and Mrs. Samaneh Kamali Moghaddam, Embassy of I.R. of Iran also accompanied the Ambassador during the meeting. Advisor ECOSF Prof. Dr. Manzoor Hussain Soomro also joined and contributed in the meeting.



Prof. Tayebi appreciated and underlined the important role of Government of Iran towards its strategic support to the ECOSF. He underscored that ECOSF has a tremendous potential to provide support to Iran as its important Member State. ECOSF could play a vital role by facilitating partnerships between universities, research institutions, and private businesses, amongst Iran and other Member States to help ensure that the results of scientific research are translated into practical applications for the ECO region.

During the meeting, Programme Manager ECOSF, Khalil Raza presented the briefing to H.E. Iranian Ambassador on various ongoing programmes and future plans or initiatives of the ECOSF to strengthen Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) in the ECO,



particularly for Iran. In his presentation, Mr. Raza highlighted some of the significant science education and training programs that have been focused on Iran towards development of a skilled workforce in science, technology, and innovation.

H.E. the Ambassador Dr. Moghaddam congratulated and appreciated Prof. Tayebi for his leadership and vision to promote the STI in the ECO region and affirmed all his support to help Foundation reach its full potential for shared goals and benefits. He concluded that the Government of Iran has high priority for promoting science, technology, innovation and economic integration in the ECO Region, which require a comprehensive and coordinated effort, academia, industry, and the collaborative institution such as the ECOSF.

At the end, President ECOSF Prof. Tayebi presented the ECOSF shield to H. E. Ambassador Dr. Reza Amiri Moghaddam.



President ECOSF Called Upon the Ambassador of Kyrgyz Republic in Islamabad

Prof. Seyed Komail Tayebi, President ECOSF called up on the Ambassador of Kyrgyz Republic in Islamabad H.E. Mr. Ulanbek Tatuiaev on August 21, 2023 at the Kyrgyz Embassy. The Ambassador cordially welcomed President ECOSF at the Embassy.



During the visit, a meeting between President ECOSF and the Ambassador was held to discuss the matter pertaining to ECOSF, Kyrgyzstan and ECO region. It was also attended by Mr. Damir Murataaly uulu, Assistant to the Ambassador and Mr. Ghulam Abbas Rahar, Manager (Admin) of ECOSF.

In the meeting, Prof. Tayebi told the Ambassador that the Charter of ECOSF was signed by all ten member countries including Kyrgyz Republic in March 1995 but five members viz., Afghanistan, Iran, Pakistan, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan have ratified and other members including Kyrgyzstan have to ratify the Charter and its Additional Protocol of the Foundation. Taking the opportunity, President ECOSF requested the Ambassador to help and support for ratification of ECOSF Charter and its Additional Protocol by the Government of Kyrgyzstan. The ratification of the Charter will enable Kyrgyzstan to nominate its President for ECOSF and many other benefits can also be availed.

Prof. Tayebi said that since its establishment in December 2011, the Foundation has been working to promote and support Science, Engineering, Technology and Innovation (SETI) based activities in the Member Countries. So far, a huge number of seminars, workshops, trainings, meetings, expos, etc. have been organized wherein, the scientists, researchers, teachers, students, policy makers and many others from ECO region including Kyrgyzstan have been trained/exposed on SETI as SETI is the integral part of any country for the sustainable development. He emphasized that ECO countries should invest more in SETI to achieve the sustainable development swiftly to compete with the world. Making strong scientific base, it is required to train the youth of ECO region, thus, realizing the importance of the youth, ECOSF is imparting training to the science teachers of ECO region to teach the STEM through Inquiry Based Science Education (IBSE) methodology of France. Prof. Tayebi shared with the Ambassador that ECOSF is planning to organize a huge event called “Technology and Trade Expo and Conference” in Islamabad early next year wherein, universities, technology companies, scientists, academia will attend.

H.E. Mr. Ulanbek Tatuiaev highly admired the role of ECOSF and said that earlier, he did not know much about the Foundation but this meeting provided an opportunity to know more about it. He realized the importance of the Foundation and assured his most possible support to the Foundation especially for ratification of ECOSF Charter and its Additional Protocol. The Ambassador took keen interest in TTEC and IBSE programme of the Foundation. He said that ECOSFF can initiate IBSE programme in Kyrgyzstan jointly with Ministry of Education and Pedagogy University. He also said that Kyrgyz universities, technological companies, entrepreneurs and other relevant companies, institutes, organizations will be encouraged to participate in the TTEC. The Ambassador also accepted the invitation extended by the President ECOSF to visit the Secretariat of the Foundation.

4th Meeting of the Board of Trustees (BoT) of the ECO Educational Institute (ECOEI) held in hybrid mode

The 4th Meeting of the Economic Cooperation Organization Educational Institute (ECOEI) was held in hybrid mode on August 5, 2023 in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye. The meeting was chaired by H.E. Prof. Yusuf Tekin, Minister of National Education of Republic of Türkiye and attended by the Education Ministers/Vice Ministers/High Officials from the Republic of Azerbaijan, Islamic Republic of Iran, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Republic of Tajikistan, Republic of Türkiye (host) and Republic of Uzbekistan attended the meeting. The delegates of ECO Observers including Turkish Cypriot State also participated in the Meeting. The delegations of ECO Secretariat, ECO Cultural Institute as well as the ECO Educational Institute’s delegation headed by the President also attended the Meeting. ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF) was represented by its President Prof. Komail Tayebi, Manager Programmes Engr. Khalil Raza, Manager (Admin) Ghulam Abbas Rahar, Manager (A&F) Adnan Ali Abbasi and I.T Specialist Bilal Mehmood. The chair welcomed all the Ministers/Vice Ministers and distinguished guests for participation and contribution in the meeting online and offline.



The Ministers/Vice Minister and Head of the delegations made the statements in the meeting.



President of ECOEI made an introduction of the institute and briefed the BoT about the institute's programmes and activities. Prof. Tayebi also made the statement and shared the programmes/achievements of ECOSF in the meeting. He elaborated that the Foundation has developed collaboration with international, regional and national organizations of the world such as UNESCO, CAST, BTBU, CYSC, IsDB, ISTIC, ISTC, ISTT, etc. for promotion of Science, Technology and Innovations leading to economic development. He further said that Foundation also promotes science education through inquiry-based learning in collaboration with La main a la pate Foundation of France. The ECOSF also promotes and supports youth of ECO region to participate in various science camps/activities to showcase their talent and establish the networking with international students. In addition, the ECOSF has been actively promoting the Technology Enhanced Learning (TEL) or e-Learning in the ECO Member Countries in partnership with E-learning association of Iran, some Iranian and Pakistani Universities and European Partners through UNITEL Project. So far, ECOSF has provided a couple of opportunities to diverse audience representing policy makers, academician, research scholars and students to generate a dialogue and discussions on ideas on the adoption of e-learning and future of TEL through International Conference and Workshop on Application of Artificial Intelligence for the ECO Member Countries.

At the end, the BoT expressed gratitude to Honorable Minister of National Education of Türkiye Prof. Yusuf Tekin for hosting and chairing the 4th Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the ECO Educational Institute. Chairing of the meeting of HLEG by Mrs. Burcu was also commended.

ECOSF and UISMS jointly hosted a Lecture on Popularising Mathematics and Science by Prof. Asghar Qadir

August 22, 2023 - As part of the Lecture Series on Popularizing Mathematics and Science, jointly hosted by the ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF) and the Union of Iranian Societies of Mathematical Sciences (UISMS), a webinar entitled "The Beauty and 'Unreasonable' Applicability of Mathematics" was organized and featured Prof. Asghar Qadir as the distinguished speaker. The webinar event aimed to explore the profound role of mathematics in various disciplines and its applications. The webinar was moderated by Mr. Khalil Raza, Programme Manager ECOSF.



Prof. Qadir delivered an engaging presentation on the beauty and applicability of mathematics. He discussed the concept of "unreasonable" applicability, providing compelling examples from various fields, showcasing how mathematics often transcends expectations.

The presentation highlighted the elegance of mathematical theories and their surprising utility in solving complex problems in science, engineering, and economics. Prof. Qadir shared insights into the deep connections between mathematical beauty and practical effectiveness, emphasizing the elegance of mathematical solutions in different domains.

In the Q&A session, Prof. Qadir addressed a variety of questions providing further clarity on mathematical concepts and their real-world applications. Participants raised thought-provoking queries related to the challenges of applying mathematics in complex, unpredictable systems, ethical considerations, and the evolving nature of mathematical models. Notably, during the Q&A session, the declining trend of interest in studying mathematics as a subject was highlighted by both Prof. Qadir and several participants.

The webinar was a success, raising critical questions about the declining interest in studying mathematics. While the declining trend is a concern, the webinar served as a platform to initiate a dialogue on how to revitalize interest in mathematics education.

ECOSF and Punjab Higher Education Commission vows to collaboration in Higher Education and STI

President ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF) Prof. Dr. Seyed Komail Tayebi visited Punjab Higher Education Commission (PHEC) on August 15, 2023 in Lahore, Pakistan. The Chairperson PHEC Prof. Dr. Shahid Munir warmly welcomed him.

During the visit, a meeting also held which was attended by President ECOSF, Chairperson PHEC, Chief Operating Officer PHEC Dr. Mansoor Ahmed Baloch, and Manager (Admin) ECOSF Mr. Ghulam Abbas Rahar. The objective of the meeting was to develop a robust collaboration aimed at driving the progress of ECO region including Pakistan in the field of science, technology and innovation.



In the meeting, Chairperson PHEC Prof. Munir briefed about PHEC and said that PHEC was established in 2014 after devolution of powers from Central Government to Provincial Governments. The main objectives of the Commission are to promote higher education and enhance the quality education at level of international standards in the Province of Punjab Pakistan, he said. Prof. Munir further said that the Commission regularly organize different conferences, workshops, expos, seminars, etc., in all fields of education which are attended by the academia of Pakistan and other countries worldwide. The Commission plays a pivotal role for developing the collaboration between public and private universities. PHEC also facilitate and support the collaboration of local universities with international scientific institution to upgrade and implement the latest standards in higher education field.

Prof. Seyed Komail Tayebi highly appreciated the role of PHEC in the field of higher education. He shared that the mandate of the ECO Science Foundation is to train and facilitate highly skilled manpower to its member countries in the field of science, technology and innovations (STI). He said that the role of STI is crucial for sustainable development of any countries. Those countries who have invested in STI such as Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia are called Asian tigers in this field and enjoy high level of life standards through economic integration, he added. Prof. Tayebi further said that it is time to invest in STI so that our future generations can taste the fruits of quality life in ECO region. The sustainable development can be achieved through collaboration and the role of ECOSF is to facilitate and support the collaboration of scientific and educational institutes of ECO countries



The leadership of ECOSF and PHEC agreed to develop a strong collaboration keeping in view the respective role of both the organizations. An MoU was also suggested to be signed to initiate the collaboration very soon.

The meeting was very prolific and ended with commitment to organize joint activities very soon.

President ECOSF visited the Government College University Lahore

Prof. Seyed Komail Tayebi visited Government College University (GCU) Lahore on August 15, 2023. He was convivially welcomed by the Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Syed Asghar Zaidi for his maiden visit to the university. President ECOSF was accompanied by Manager (Admin) Ghulam Abbas Rahar.



The Vice Chancellor GCU made an introduction of the University and said that in 1864, Government College was established by the British government in India. After being elevated to university status in 2002, it has advanced into one of the top ten largest institution in Pakistan, with a student body of over 12,000, he added. He also said that it has 32 academic departments, segregated into five faculties, five research centers, focused on academic and industrial research and development projects. It has the highest graduation rate in the country, with an average of 94.6% annually. He also shared that the University has established a Persian center to promote and teach Persian in Pakistan. The students all over Pakistan, Iran and other countries enrolled to learn Persian.

Prof. Seyed Komail Tayebi thanked the Vice Chancellor for warmly welcoming in the university and said that it was a great pleasure to visit one of the oldest and greatest historical university of sub-continent. Prof. Tayebi also briefly introduced the VC about ECOSF and said that the Foundation was established in December 2011 as an intergovernmental organization of ten regional countries and a specialized agency of Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO). The Foundation promotes and supports the activities of Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) leading to economic development in ECO region. He further said that Foundation has been working on different programmes such as Climate Change, Inquiry Based Science Education (IBSE), Green Universities, Economics of the Region, Engineering Qualification Standardization, E-learning and many other fields of science in the region.



Prof. Zaidi appreciated the role of ECOSF and desired joint collaborative activities in Pakistan and ECO region. Prof. Tayebi who is an economist, proposed that the joint collaboration can be initiated with organization of a webinar with the title of "Impacts of Aging Population in ECO region" which was agreed by the VC as he is also an economist and possesses a diverse experience in the field of Economics, and his interest in economic issues of aging.

Later, the delegation also visited the Persian center of the university. Being the Persian origin Prof. Tayebi took keen interest in the center and admired the establishment of the center. He hoped, the center will attract more people to learn and understand Persian language.

The visit was ended with vote of thanks from both side and commitment to collaborate.

President ECOSF participated in the Webinar on "Introduction to Iran and Malaysia's Capabilities in the Field of Cell Therapy"

The Health and Beauty Center, Isfahan and Dr. Mina Brand, in collaboration with the 23rd Century International Life Science Centre, Malaysia, and Iran- Kuala Lumpur International Chamber of Commerce (KLICC) hosted an International Webinar on Introduction to Iran and Malaysia's Capabilities in the Field of Cell Therapy on August 7, 2023.

During this session, H.E. Mr. Omar Khairi, the Malaysian Ambassador, expressed his thanks to the organizers and highlighted Malaysia's activities in the field of cell therapy. He expressed optimism that such forums would lay the groundwork for more extensive cooperation between Iran and Malaysia, thereby facilitating the exchange of knowledge and experiences.

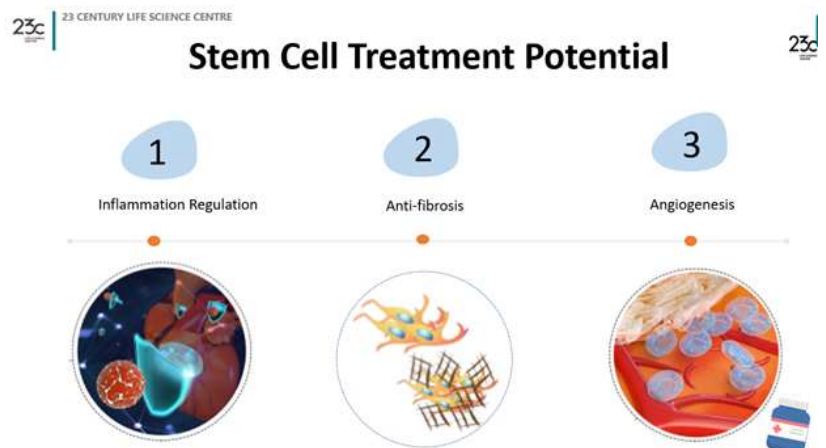


president ECO Science Foundation, Professor Seyed Komail Tayebi who was specially invited to the webinar, expressed his thanks to the organizers. Prof. Tayebi reiterated the Foundation's mission of introducing and cultivating scientific opportunities within the ECO region. He emphasized that events like this would increase interactions between ECO Member Countries and beyond while showcasing scientific and research capabilities.

Dr. Mina Rezaei, Director of the Health and Beauty Center, and the Founder of Dr. Mina Brand stated that Iran ranks among the top twenty countries in the field of cell therapy worldwide. She emphasized the focus on cell therapy in the future of the medical industry and the need for development and strengthening this domain of knowledge.

Dr. Dana Raj, a researcher in Stem Cells at the 23rd Century Institute, Malaysia elaborated on the capacities, methods, and services provided by the institute in Malaysia. He added the institute provides the best cell product by having strict extensive' start-to-finish 'quality control protocol and GMP standard laboratories, which include following capabilities:

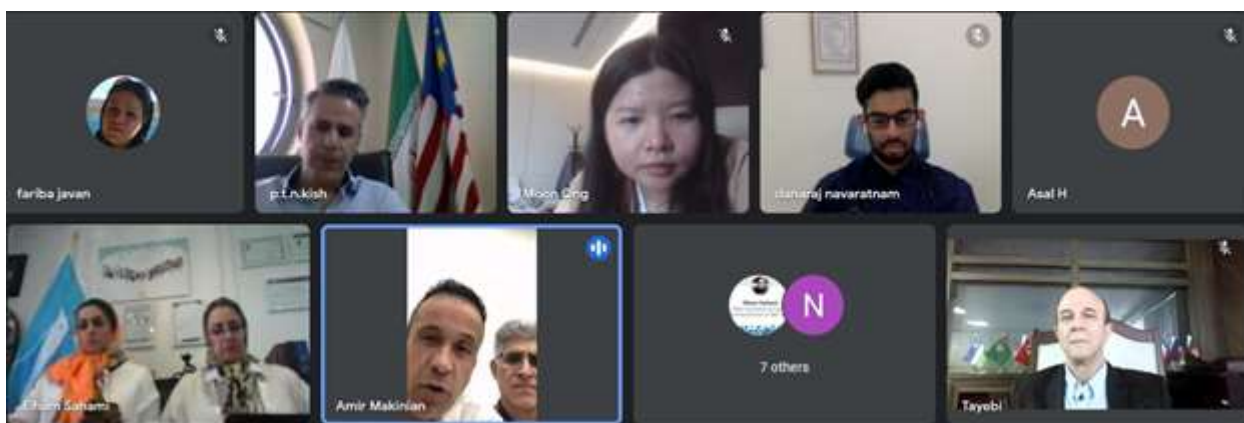
- Laboratory standards for clinical-grade adult stem cell processing
- Safety and quality control system for clinical-grade adult stem cells
- Research and management system for clinical-grade adult stem cells



- Laboratory standards for clinical-grade adult stem cell processing
- Disease-specific translation protocols for clinical-grade adult stem cells.

Dr. Shafiei, the Head of the Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment Institute in Isfahan Healthcare City, explained Iran's capabilities, advancements, and progress in the field of cell therapy and cancer treatment.

In the end, Dr. Hadi Shahpar, Chairman of Iran - Kuala Lumpur International Chamber of Commerce (KLICC), emphasized the extensive opportunities between the two Islamic Countries and the importance of international collaboration, particularly through the potential of the private sector with a focus on developing the Halal Industry and health tourism. He appreciated all participants in attending the webinar.



11th Korea-Iran Cooperation Forum Held - Exploring New Cooperation Opportunities between Korea and Iran: Challenges and Prospects

The 11th Korea-Iran Cooperation Forum on Exploring New Cooperation was successfully held on August 28, 2023, in a hybrid format with physical participation in Tehran, Iran. The Forum was Co-organized by esteemed institutions: the Korea Institute for International Economics Studies (KIEP), University of Tehran, University of Isfahan, Tehran Chamber of Commerce Industries, Mines and Agriculture, and ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF), Pakistan. The Forum provided an important platform for stakeholders from both countries, and highlighted the immense potential for collaboration in trade, investment, technology, and energy with a vision to foster innovation-driven development and sustainable growth between Korea and Iran.



The forum commenced with welcoming remarks by Mr. Farzin FARDIS, a board member of the Tehran Chamber of Commerce, Industries, Mines and Agriculture, Iran. Mr. FARDIS introduced the Tehran Chamber of Commerce while emphasizing the extensive opportunities for expansion in trade, investment, and technology between Iran and Korea. He underscored the significance of developing Business to Business (B2B) and Business to Consumers (B2C) meetings to facilitate closer collaboration.

Dr. LEE Kwon Hyung, Deputy President of the Center for Area Studies at KIEP and Co-chair of the conference, delivered the opening address. Dr. LEE expressed gratitude to the Iranian partners and highlighted the abundant opportunities for collaboration. He

presented a report on the progress of past Iran-Korea bilateral forums and demonstrated the continued commitment of both countries to strengthen their economic and cultural ties.

Prof. Seyed Komail TAYEBI, Director of CEIE at the University of Isfahan and the President ECOSF joined the forum online as the Co-chair. Prof. TAYEBI emphasized the significance of digital innovation and governance in the rapidly evolving world. He stressed the importance of exploring collaboration opportunities, exchanging experiences, and establishing robust policy frameworks to harness the full potential of the digital economy. Prof. TAYEBI underscored the Forum as a platform for dialogue and cooperation between not only Iran and Korea but also other countries especially other ECO member countries, to promote innovation-driven development, economic growth, and sustainable development.



H. E. Mr. YUN Kanghyeon, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the Islamic Republic of Iran appreciated the organizing partners and teams for their efforts in bringing this Forum together. He highlighted the rich cultural and historical resources of both countries and emphasized realizing the rich potential for mutual collaboration. Mr. YUN emphasized the importance of working together for the future generations and developing investment and trade in services and tourism to overcome challenges posed by sanctions. Besides energy, Iran has the potential to diversify tradeable goods and services in cooperation with the Republic of Korea.

Dr. Sardar Mohazzam, Managing Director of the National Energy Efficiency Conservation Authority (NEECA) Pakistan, presented a talk on driving energy efficiency during the session on new cooperation opportunities in trade and energy. Dr. Mohazzam shared best practices and prospects for enhancing energy efficiency in Iran, Korea, and other ECO member countries.

The Forum comprised of following three discussion sessions as well as the closing session:

Session I – “New Cooperation Opportunities in Trade and Energy”

Session II - Challenges and Opportunities Facing Bilateral Cooperation between Korea and Iran

Session III - Building Bridges: Exploring Opportunities for Economic Collaboration between Korea and Iran

Participants at these sessions discussed collaboration between Korea and Iran and offered valuable insights into trade, energy, and economic cooperation while shedding light on the potential for joint initiatives that can yield mutual benefits between Iran and Korea.

At the Closing Session, Dr. Seyed Mostafa RAZAVI, Dean of the International Caspian Campus at the University of Tehran, highlighted the benefits of bilateral cooperation in sustainable energy, technology, and trade. Dr. RAZAVI emphasized that such cooperation facilitates access to energy resources, trade expansion, technology transfer, and joint investment. Dr. Razavi finally announced **the 12th Korea-Iran Cooperation Forum** to be held at the International Caspian Campus of University of Tehran in 2024. Then, President ECOSF Prof. Seyed Komail TAYEBI conveyed his vote of thanks and concluded Forum’s proceedings and. The 11th Korea-Iran Cooperation Forum successfully brought together leaders, experts, and stakeholders from Iran and Korea to explore new avenues of collaboration, foster sustainable development, and strengthen the bilateral ties between the two Countries.

President ECOSF participated in the Summer School on Health Law & Regulation

The Smart University of Medical Sciences Iran in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, Treatment and Education of Iran, the University of Paris-Saclay in France, HCLA - The Hague in the Netherlands, Düsseldorf University in Germany, and the ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF) successfully organized the Summer School on Health Law & Regulation from August 29 to 31, 2023. The event brought together representatives and leaders from the partnering institutions, along with renowned health experts. The event was held in a hybrid format, combining both in-person and virtual participation.



The primary objective of the Summer School was to address the critical need for strengthening health laws and regulations, a vital aspect of public health systems. The event facilitated discussions, presentations, and knowledge sharing to enhance understanding and collaboration in this crucial field.

One of the notable highlights of the event was the participation of President ECOSF, Prof. Seyed Komail Tayebi, who was invited to deliver a keynote speech. Prof. Tayebi's presentation centered on the role of the ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF) as a catalyst for advancing Science and Technology in the ECO Region. His insights shed light on the organization's efforts to promote scientific research and technological innovation across member countries, fostering cooperation and growth in the region's scientific landscape.

The Summer School provided a unique platform for participants to exchange ideas, best practices, and experiences related to health law and regulation.

President ECOSF met with Managing Director NEECA and explored avenues for cooperation in energy efficiency space.

On August 1, 2023, a meeting took place between Prof. Seyed Komail Tayebi, President of the ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF), and Dr. Sardar Mohazzam, the Managing Director of the National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (NEECA).

The key focus of the discussion was to explore avenues for collaboration in promoting energy efficiency practices. Both sides expressed a strong commitment to work together in advancing sustainable energy initiatives. One of the main areas of interest was the development of regional projects centered around the Water, Energy, Food Nexus, recognizing its vital role in addressing environmental challenges.





In addition, avenues for Capacity Building Events were also on the agenda, aiming to enhance capabilities in energy conservation and sustainability practices and bolster knowledge-sharing and expertise between the two organization. Besides, Mr. Sabieh Haider, Director Strategy and Planning NEECA, Ms. Saima Shafi from NEECA and Mr. Khalil Raza, Programme Manager Energy and Climate, ECOSF also took part in the meeting.

The meeting ended on positive note indicating a promising step forward in fostering energy efficiency and conservation efforts in the ECO region.

Representative of Pardis Technology Park Iran called upon President ECOSF towards Strengthening Technological Collaborations

Mr. Aminreza Khalegian, Director General of Communications and International Affairs at Pardis Technology Park visited ECOSF and held a meeting with Prof. Seyed Komail Tayebi, President of the ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF) on August 28, 2023. The primary objective of this meeting was to explore avenues for enhancing technological collaboration and knowledge sharing between these ECOSF and Pardis Technology Park.



Both sides acknowledged the vital role played by technology parks in nurturing startups, fostering innovation, and driving economic growth. Mr. Khalegian highlighted the significant achievements of Pardis Technology Park in Iran and shared insights into their successful initiatives, incubation, and development programs.

Prof. Tayebi also invited Mr. Khalegian and Pardis Technology Park to become a strategic partner in the upcoming ECO Technology and Trade Expo and Conference (TTEC), scheduled for 2024. This TTEC aims to bring together technology, experts, innovators, and businesses from the ECO region and beyond to facilitate technology transfer, trade, and scientific collaboration.

Finally, both sides discussed potential joint initiatives, including workshops, webinars, and research collaborations to contribute to the growth and development of technology parks within the ECO region.

Upcoming Events posted on ECOSF website and Facebook page

Lecture Series on Popularising Mathematics and Science (Virtual) – 3rd Webinar



ECO Science Foundation (ECOSF) and Union of Iranian Societies of Mathematical Sciences (UIMS) cordially invite you to participate in Lecture Series on Popularising Mathematics and Science.



On the Bayesian Irrelevance of Sampling Design Speaker: Prof. Siamak Noorbaloochi



September 26, 2023



04:30 PM (GMT+5) Pakistan Time
03:00 PM (GMT+3:30) Iran Time

Zoom ID: 850 6487 4925

Password: 693869

Zoom Link: <http://tinyurl.com/5s22udy5>



Prof. Siamak Noorbaloochi

Abstract: The Bayesian outlook dismisses the necessity of random selection of sampling units and the use of different designs. We will discuss the current Bayesian framework for making inferences about finite populations and propose an alternative Bayesian approach that incorporates the sampling design as an integral part of the Bayesian paradigm.