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Centre for International Peace and Stability (CIPS)

The Centre for International Peace and Stability (CIPS) was established and inaugurated by UNSG Ban Ki-moon on 13th August 2013 in NUST. It is one of its kind institute established to conduct research and training in matters related to UN Peacekeeping Operations (UNPKOs). Its mandate is not restricted to the relatively narrow field of peace-keeping, but it also offers combined graduate programmes in Peace & Conflict Studies (PCS) with short courses on pre-deployment peacekeeping training. With time, CIPS has emerged as a centre of excellence in international peace and stability with a focus on peacekeeping, peacebuilding, and conflict resolution within the context of prevailing international and regional politics.



Seminar on “Pakistan: A Misunderstood State and Countering Violent Extremism: A Community-Led Approach in the United Kingdom”

Mr. Toaha Qureshi, the Founder Chairman of Forum for International Relations Development (FIRD) and Chairman, Stockwell Green Community Services (SGCS), was invited at the Centre for International Peace and Stability (CIPS), to share his abundant knowledge, experiences, and specializations with the students and faculty of CIPS. Mr. Qureshi enlightened the audience with his unparalleled insights on the subjects under discussion for almost an hour, which was followed by a stimulating Q&A session with the audience, leaving a deeper impact on their cognizance.

Mr. Toaha Qureshi can be hailed as one of the pioneers who formulated counter-radicalization, countering-violent extremism and preventing violent extremism programmes, strategies and models for the UK government for over two decades. His work has been implemented in partnership with the European Union, Ministry of Justice, Home Office, Police, local governments and the communities at large.

Roundtable Conference on Legal and Socio-Cultural Discourse on Human Migration

Centre for International Peace and Stability (CIPS) and Hanns Seidel Foundation (HSF) jointly convened a roundtable titled, “Legal and Socio-cultural Discourse on Human Migration” at NUST’s main campus in July, 2019. The overarching aim was to produce recommendations for the policy framework that contributes to devising Pakistan’s migration management strategies. Davide Terzi, Chief of Mission, International Organization for Migration, Pakistan, graced the occasion with his presence as the keynote speaker.



Signing of a research project agreement with Hanns Seidel Foundation (Pakistan Office)

The Centre for International Peace and Stability (CIPS), and Hanns Seidel Foundation (HSF), Pakistan, signed a research project agreement focusing on post conflict rehabilitation and development in North Waziristan. Funded by the HSF, the year-long



project is titled, “Unravelling Contextual Realities in Post-Conflict North Waziristan (NW): Understanding Displacement, Resettlement and Post Conflict Development.” The project explores and analyzes the processes of displacement and inclusive rehabilitation where all stakeholders synergize their efforts to achieve a unitary objective.

Round Table Conference on Dynamics of Forced Migration in Pakistan Addressing Internal Displacement and Refugee Movements

A roundtable titled, “Dynamics of Forced Migration in Pakistan: Addressing Internal Displacement and Refugee Movements” was convened by the Centre for International Peace & Stability (CIPS) in co-operation with Hanns Seidel Foundation (HSF), Pakistan Office. The gathering was graced with the presence of Mr. Igor Ivancic, Assistant Representative (Protection) at the United Nations Higher Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) as the keynote speaker.

The keynote speaker and other presenters gave pertinent remarks highlighting the plight of the forcibly displaced populations and the need for systematized policy-making with contextual considerations. Drawing from the roundtable conference, the broad consensus crystalized that Pakistan’s management of the internally displaced and the refugees should be promulgated on more visible forums since Pakistan has extensive lessons and experiences to offer for countering the challenges posed by forced migration.

