

**International Conference on  
Social Remittances and Social Change: Links between Home and Host Countries**

**Conference Program**

<b>Day 1: Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023</b>	
<b>9:30 – 10:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>Session 1</b>	
<b>10:00 – 10:20</b>	Recitation of Quran Welcome Address Dr. Shahid Amjad Chaudhry, Rector Lahore School of Economics
<b>10:20 – 10:50</b>	Keynote Address: Prof. Peggy Jane Levitt, Chair for Department of Sociology, Wellesley College
<b>10:50 – 11:00</b>	Comments by Chief Guest: Dr. Ishrat Husain, former Governor State Bank and Advisor to the former Prime Minister
<b>11:00 – 11:20</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>
<b>Session 2</b>	
<b>11:20 – 11:25</b>	Chair: Dr. Azam Chaudhry, Pro-Rector Lahore School of Economics
<b>11:30 – 11:50</b>	<b>Presentation 1</b> <i>The 'Demographic Benefit of International Migration' Hypothesis Re-visited</i> Professor Philippe Fargues, Fellow, European University Institute Florence
<b>11:50 – 12:00</b>	Q & A
<b>12:00 – 12:20</b>	<b>Presentation 2 (By Zoom)</b> <i>Social Remittances: The Influence of Fellow Migrants</i> Professor Anne White, University College London
<b>12:20 – 12:30</b>	Q & A
<b>12:30 – 12:50</b>	Discussant: Dr. Nasra Shah
<b>12:50 – 2:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>Session 3</b>	
<b>2:00 – 2:05</b>	Chair: Dr. Jonathan Addleton, Rector FCC University, Lahore
<b>2:10 – 2:30</b>	<b>Presentation 1 (By Zoom)</b> <i>On How the Distance and Duration of Migration Projects Matter for Social Remittances</i> Dr. Marta Erdal, Peace Research Institute Oslo
<b>2:30 – 2:40</b>	Q & A
<b>2:40 – 3:00</b>	<b>Presentation 2</b> <i>Social Remittances &amp; Social Media: Evidence During Sri Lanka's Socioeconomic and Political Crises</i> Dr. Bilesha Weeraratne, Institute of Policy Studies, Sri Lanka
<b>3:00 – 3:10</b>	Q & A
<b>3:10 – 3:30</b>	<b>Presentation 3</b> <i>Social Remittances and Social Change: The Case of Egypt</i> Dr. Ayman Zohry, Expert on Population and Migration Studies
<b>3:30 – 3:40</b>	Q & A
<b>3:40 – 4:00</b>	Discussant: Dr. Rashid Amjad

<b>Day 2: Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023</b>	
<b>Session 1</b> <b>10:00 – 10:05</b>	Chair: Ms Mio Sato, Chief IOM, Pakistan
<b>10:10 – 10:30</b>	<b>Presentation 1 (By Zoom)</b> <i>Temporary Labor Migration and Social Remittances</i> Professor Philip Martin, Professor Emeritus University of California-Davis Mr. Manolo Abella, former Director International Migration Program, ILO
<b>10:30 – 10:40</b>	Q & A
<b>10:40 – 11:00</b>	<b>Presentation 2</b> <i>The Poet, the Comedian, and the Philanthropist: Transnational Cultural Spaces and Social Remittances between Dubai and Southern Iran</i> Dr. Amin Moghadam, Toronto Metropolitan University
<b>11:00 – 11:10</b>	Q & A
<b>11:10 – 11:30</b>	<b>Presentation 3</b> <i>From Diaspora Organizations to Lobbyists? Digital Technology, Migration Politics, and the Diaspora Communities in the Philippine-Gulf Corridor</i> Mr. Froilan Malit Jr., University of Glasgow
<b>11:30 – 11:40</b>	Q & A
<b>11:40 – 12:00</b>	Discussant: Prof. Peggy Jane Levitt
<b>12:00 – 1:30</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>Session 2</b> <b>1:30 – 1:35</b>	Chair: Mr. Akram Ali Khawaja, DG BEOE, Pakistan
<b>1:40 – 2:00</b>	<b>Presentation 1</b> <i>Pandemic Forced Return of Temporary Migrant Workers: Impact and Implications</i> Dr. Richa Shivakoti, Toronto Metropolitan University
<b>2:00 – 2:10</b>	Q & A
<b>2:10 – 2:30</b>	<b>Presentation 2</b> <i>Women's Autonomy in Migrant vs. Non-Migrant Households in Pakistan: Some Insights for Social Remittance Research</i> Dr. Nasra Shah & Ms. Samar Quddus, Lahore School of Economics
<b>2:30 – 2:40</b>	Q & A
<b>2:40 – 3:00</b>	<b>Presentation 3 (By Zoom)</b> <i>Migration's Impact on the Empowerment of Women Left Behind: Evidence from Egypt</i> Nada Rostom, Dr. Hélène Syed Zwick, and Yasmine Abdelfattah
<b>3:00 – 3:10</b>	Q & A
<b>3:10 – 3:30</b>	Discussant: Dr. G. M. Arif
<b>3:30 – 3:45</b>	<b>Concluding Remarks by Dr. Rashid Amjad</b>