



1st Pakistani-Russian International Conference

on

THE EVOLVING PAKISTAN-RUSSIA RELATIONSHIP IN A CHANGING GLOBAL ORDER

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The Purpose and Foundation of The Conference

As the world experiences profound geopolitical shifts, the relationship between Pakistan and Russia has gained renewed strategic importance. During the Cold War, the two nations maintained limited engagement, with Pakistan closely aligned with the West and Russia associated with India. However, in recent years, both countries have recognized the mutual benefits of enhanced cooperation, especially as the global order transitions towards multipolarity. With the global balance of power continuing to evolve—driven by the rise of new centers of influence and the realignment of traditional alliances—Pakistan and Russia are increasingly finding common ground. Defense cooperation has grown significantly, marked by joint military exercises and defense training programs. In addition, their energy partnership has expanded, with projects like the Pakistan Stream Gas Pipeline exemplifying their deepening economic ties.

The significance of this partnership is further highlighted by their shared regional concerns, including the Afghan peace process, counter-terrorism efforts, and the need for stable regional connectivity. Russia's support for Pakistan's participation in the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and other regional connectivity initiatives underscores the growing interdependence between the two nations as they navigate a complex and shifting global landscape. At a time when the global order is

undergoing significant transformation—marked by the emergence of China as a dominant power, the ongoing US-Russia competition, and the realignment of regional alliances—Pakistan and Russia have a unique opportunity to strengthen their cooperation in ways that not only serve their national interests but also contribute to regional peace and stability.

The 1st Pakistani-Russian International Conference aims to create a unique platform for academicians, professionals, policymakers, and students from both countries to critically engage with the evolving bilateral relationship in this changing geopolitical context. Participants will explore the emerging dimensions of Pakistan-Russia relations across a wide range of fields, including defense, energy, trade, regional security, and technological collaboration.

This conference comes at a pivotal time, as both countries are recalibrating their foreign policies to respond to the complexities of the changing global order. By examining how Pakistan and Russia can adapt to these international shifts, the event will provide valuable insights into the future direction of their bilateral ties.

Objectives of the Conference

- To analyze the global changes influencing the growing relations of Pakistan-Russia.
- To examine the impact of expanding defense ties and broader security cooperation between the two nations.
- To study the key energy projects deepening economic ties between Pakistan and Russia.
- To identify areas for further collaboration that can enhance regional peace and stability.

- To find the avenues for trade, transportation, and infrastructure between Russia and Pakistan.

We are accepting abstracts of research papers from all over the world on the topic: *The Evolving Pakistan-Russia Relationship in a Changing Global Order*. Papers encompassing theoretical approaches, conceptual analyses, and performance evaluations are invited for presentations on the following

Sub-themes:

- Strategic drivers behind the evolving Pakistan-Russia relationship,
- Geopolitical Realignment and Multipolarity
- Defense and Security Cooperation
- Regional Connectivity and Economic Cooperation
- Shared Regional Interests and Efforts for Collaboration
- Collaboration through Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), and Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU)



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Basic organizational Information:

- The conference will be held on February 18-19, 2025, in Karachi, Pakistan.
- The conference is planned to be in-person, with the option for online participation.
- The working language of the conference is English.
- The conference will begin with a plenary session, followed by thematic panel discussions.

Abstract Submission Guidelines:

- **How to Apply:** Individuals interested in presenting a paper should complete the Google application form <https://forms.gle/n9EaZhP7EKksKSnb8>.
- **Panel Selection:** Submissions can be made by selecting the appropriate panel, and papers are welcome even if they do not align with the pre-published list of panels.

Key Dates:

- Abstract Submission Deadline: **15 December 2024**
- Notification of Acceptance: **16 December 2024**
- Registration Deadline: **30 December 2024**
- In-person/Online Participation Deadline: **10 January 2025**

Publication Opportunity:

The paper presenters have an opportunity to publish their accepted research papers in HEC approved research Journals. They will go through peer review process.

Conference Fee:

Participation Fee for Paper Presenters:

- The participation fee for paper presenters attending in person is 30 USD (for international), 5000 PKR (for national).
- The registration fee should be submitted by **30 December 2024** via the registration form (link will be provided later).
- **Notice:** Faculty and students of FUUAST and KFU are exempt from participation charges.

Participation Fee for Non-Presenters:

- The participation fee for non-presenters is 2,000 PKR.

Bank Account: It will be provided soon.

For more information, please visit the conference official websites

<https://shorturl.at/4EXaY> or <https://shorturl.at/oDHzk>.

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