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# Newsletter

CUI Lahore Campus



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## Global Forum on Islamic Finance (GFIF-2019)



CUI Lahore campus organized 7th Global Forum on Islamic Finance 2019 at Pearl Continental Hotel on March 13-14, 2019. The opening ceremony was inaugurated by Dr. Ishrat Hussain, Ex-Governor SBP and Advisor for Institutional Reforms and Austerity of Pakistan on March 13, 2019. Mr. Raja Yasir Humayun Sarfraz, Minister for Higher Education Punjab, Mr. Samiullah Chaudhry, Minister for Food, Punjab also graced the occasion as guest of honor. A number of talks were held at the forum. Different Intents of Cooperation (IoC) and Documents of Understandings (DoC) were also signed at the forum. During the Global Forum, workshops and trainings were also organized by the Center of Islamic Finance in different areas which includes "Shari'ah Compliant Product Development", "5Is of Experiential Learning", "Organization Requirements for Halal Assurance", and "Case Studies Development in Islamic Finance". A great number of participants from different profession participated in all training workshops.

## 3rd Islamic Finance Excellence Award (IFEA) 2019

Center of Islamic Finance (CIF), CUI presented "3rd Islamic Finance Excellence Awards". The objective of IFEA is to acknowledge individuals and institutions who furthered the exponential growth of Islamic Banking and Finance in Pakistan. During 7th Global Forum on Islamic Finance (GFIF) 2019 Mr. Raja Yasser Humayun Sarfaraz (Provincial Minister for Higher Education), presented Islamic Finance Excellence

Awards (IFEA) 2019. Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Dr. Ishrat Husain for his gratitude for your valuable contribution to promoting Islamic Finance around the globe. First Habib Modaraba was presented IFEA 2019 for Best NBFC for being an organization with client-focused approach, capital-efficient strategy and the track record of more than three decades of success.



## Pakistani Team wins bronze medal in 60<sup>th</sup> IMO

Pakistani Team of students won one bronze medal and a honorable mention at 60th International Mathematics Olympiad (IMO) 2019 which was held at the University of Bath, UK on July 11-22, 2019.

The young team members were the intermediate level students, Muhammad Harun Ali Khan, Abdul Rehman Zahid, Ahmad Mahmood, Muhammad Ahmad Kaleem and Noor Ul Basr Sajjad. Dr. Sarfraz Ahmed was the team leader and Dr. Hani Shaker was the deputy leader.

The Department of Mathematics CUI Lahore is the home institute to train Pakistani team for IMO. The Department of Mathematics was selected as a Home Institute in 2015 to train the national team for International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) each year. The IMO is the highest-level and largest international mathematics competition for secondary school students. It has been held annually in a different country/region since 1959 and over 100 countries competing, including all members of the G20.



## DoU between UPM, Malaysia and CUI

A Document of Understanding (DoU) between University of Putra (UPM), Malaysia and COMSATS University Islamabad was signed by the worthy Rector CUI and by Dean FIST on behalf of VC, UPM.



## Foundation Stone of New Building Block

Keeping with the vision of the authorities of CUI Lahore Campus, a foundation stone has been laid to establish Science and Technology Avenue in the campus. This avenue will be the bench mark for all other libraries and will facilitate the campus academicians and researchers. In the first phase, the Science and Technology Park will be established in which two departments IRCBM and Pharmacy will be shifted there. In this building, incubators, fabricated labs, meeting rooms and other space will be generated for quality learning.



## Visit of Honorable Executive Director COMSATS / Pro-Chancellor CUI and Worthy Rector, CUI

Honorable Executive Director COMSATS/Pro-Chancellor CUI Prof. Dr. S.M. Junaid Zaidi (H.I. & S.I) and Worthy Rector CUI, Prof. Dr. Raheel Qamar (T.I.) visited CUI, Lahore Campus on May 06, 2019. The guests were welcomed by Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas with brief session about the progress of CUI Lahore campus.



## How to Get Good Computational Skills in Exam

Danish Society of Library Information Services, COMSATS University, Lahore Campus conducted a seminar titled “How to Get Good Computational Skills in Exam” on March 21, 2019 in seminar room. The resource person of the training was Muhammad Jawad Mirza who is a national level trainer in this area. He not only delivered a lecture on tricks to get the excellent grades in exams using calculators but also shared his views about the skillful use in learning Mathematics, Statistics, Engineering, Physics, Computer Science, Software Engineering by reducing computational labor and viewing graphs. The event was ended with the vote of thanks and the shield was presented to Muhammad Jawad Mirza, resource person of the event by Dr. Muhammad Tariq, Incharge COMSATS Library.



## Outreach Programs by Center of Islamic Finance



The Center of Islamic Finance (CIF) and BankIslami Pakistan Limited jointly organized one day seminar on “Fundamentals

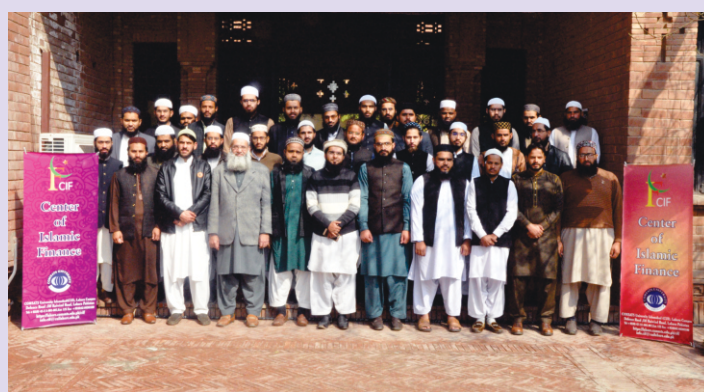
and Practices of Islamic Banking” at CUI, Wah Campus and later on at Sahiwal Campus.



Center of Islamic Finance (CIF) organized one day Capacity Building Workshop on “Islamic Banking and Finance” for all schools of thoughts in collaboration with the State Bank of Pakistan on April 24, 2019 at CUI, Sahiwal and later on at Vehari Campus.

Mufti Syed Sabir Hussain (Resident Shariah Board Member and Head Shariah Compliance, MCB Islamic Bank) delivered the lecture.

## Islamic Banking Myths and Misconceptions



The Center of Islamic Finance (CIF) organized one day training in collaboration with Meezan Bank for Sharia Scholars on “Islamic Banking Myths and Misconceptions”. It was held on February 26, 2019 at CUI, Lahore Campus. Mufti Shahid Ubaid (Head, Mufti at Darul Ifta Jamia Ashrafiya Lahore), Dr. Zaheer Anwar (Director, Lahore Centre of Excellence in Islamic Banking and Finance, The University of Lahore) delivered the training.

## Halal Food Ingredients in Shariah Perspective



Center of Islamic Finance (CIF) organized one day training on "Halal Food Ingredients in Shariah Perspective" was held April 15, 2019 at CUI Lahore. Hafiz Shahzaib (Consultant, Fahm-ul-Halal) and Mufti Hassan Ashraf Usmani (Shariah Trainer) delivered the lectures.

## Orientation Ceremony Halal Auditor Course

Center of Islamic Finance (CIF) organized orientation ceremony of Halal Auditor Course on June 26, 2019, at IRCBM meeting room. Qari Ahmad Mian Thanvi (Principal, Darul Uloom Islamia) and Hafiz Sajid Anwar participated in Orientation ceremony as guest. Qari Ahmad Mian Thanvi delivered the recitation of the Holy Quran during the ceremony.



## The Impact of Financial Technology on Islamic Banking & Finance



Center of Islamic Finance (CIF) organized one day International Training on "The Impact of Financial Technology on Islamic Banking & Finance" in collaboration with Amanah Institute of Finance and Economics (Germany) on March 15, 2019 at CUI, Lahore Campus.

## Seminar on "Trends and Issues in Contemporary Project Management"



A seminar entitled Trends and Issues in Contemporary Project Management was organized by Mr. Tahir Aziz Khan, Program Coordinator of (MS-Project Management, Department of Management Sciences, CUI Lahore Campus for the students of project management. Dr. Khalid Ahmad Khan and Mr. Rizwan Khalid were the guest speakers who covered some of the most important contemporary project management issues including trends in project management and the rise of agile project management. This seminar was an excellent opportunity build professional acumen in project management. The seminar was attended by the students of MS (PM). Attendees received PMI Lahore participation certificates.



## Futsal

Futsal competition was held with both CUI students as well as other university students also participated in it. The event was also sponsored by Leisure League. The sponsor gave signed T-shirts to the winners of the match and a signed football to the player with the highest scored goals.



## Closing Ceremony of Student Week 2019

The Closing Ceremony of Student Week SP 2019 was organized at CUI, Lahore Campus Cricket Ground on March 27, 2019.

All respected faculty and staff members attended the ceremony. The worthy Director CUI, Lahore Campus graced the ceremony as Chief Guest. A cricket match between Faculty and Administration teams was played and after this the shields and prizes were distribute among game winners.



## RESEARCH PRODUCTIVITY – January to July 2019

| Sr.#  | Department                                      | ISI/IF | Total |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|
| 1     | Center of Islamic Finance                       | 1      | 1     |
| 2     | Department of Architecture & Design             | 0      | 0     |
| 3     | Department of Chemical Engineering              | 12     | 12    |
| 4     | Department of Chemistry                         | 13     | 14    |
| 5     | Department of Computer Sciences                 | 4      | 4     |
| 6     | Department of Economics                         | 7      | 8     |
| 7     | Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering | 19     | 19    |
| 8     | Department of Humanities                        | 2      | 3     |
| 9     | Department of IRCBM                             | 47     | 47    |
| 10    | Department of Management Sciences               | 5      | 10    |
| 11    | Department of Mathematics                       | 15     | 15    |
| 12    | Department of Pharmacy                          | 22     | 24    |
| 13    | Department of Physics                           | 40     | 47    |
| 14    | Department of Statistics                        | 14     | 14    |
| 15    | Energy Research Center                          | 10     | 11    |
| 16    | Non Academic                                    | 0      | 1     |
| Total |                                                 | 211    | 230   |



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