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Speakers' Profile(s)

Sardar Masood Khan - President of Azad Jammu and Kashmir



Sardar Masood Khan is currently serving as the 27th President of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, a position he assumed on 25th August 2016. Immediately before becoming the President he was the Director General of the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad.

Prior to getting elected as the President of AJK, Sardar Masood Khan Khan had a long diplomatic career with the Foreign Service of Pakistan. Most notably, he served as the Spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign

Affairs from 2003 to 2005; Pakistan's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations and other International Organisations in Geneva, Switzerland, from 2005 to 2008; Pakistan's Ambassador to China from 2008 to 2012; and Pakistan's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations Headquarters, New York, from 2012 to 2015.

Mr. Shehryar Afridi - Chairman Parliamentary Committee on Kashmir



Mr. Shehryar Afridi holds a master's degree in International Relations from University of Peshawar. He is elected as an MNA from Kohat. He has previously held the portfolio of Interior Minister, Minister Safron and Minister of Narcotics control. He has been a member of the National Assembly since 2013.

Ambasador Aizaz Ahmad Chaudhry - Director General ISSI

Mr Chaudhry served as the Foreign Secretary of Pakistan for over three years, and participated actively in high level foreign policy discussions from December 2013 to March 2017.

Mr Chaudhry's last diplomatic assignment was as Ambassador of Pakistan to the United States of America, where he actively engaged the US legislators at Capitol Hill, lectured extensively at leading US universities and think tanks, and reached out to Pakistani Diaspora all across the country to strengthen relations between Pakistan and the



US. Also served as Ambassador of Pakistan to the Netherlands, in which capacity he engaged in active public diplomacy in partnership with Pakistani community to win friends for Pakistan. He also authored a book "Pakistan mirrored to Dutch eyes" published by Sangemeel publications.



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Prof Dr Sikander Shah - LUMS



Professor Sikander Shah is a pioneering member of the Shaikh Ahmad Hassan School of Law, LUMS. He obtained a B.A. in Economics and a Juris Doctorate (Cum Laude) from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He has held visiting faculty positions at the Temple Law School, the Wayne State Law School and the University of Michigan Law School and holds the position of adjunct faculty at the Maurer School of Law, Indiana University Bloomington. Professor Shah served as the Legal Advisor to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, while he was on sabbatical in 2012-2013. Professor Shah's teaching and research interests are focused on Public International Law, International Human Rights Law,

International Humanitarian Law, Corporate Governance and Constitutional Design.

Prof. Dr. Noman Hanif, University of London



Dr. Noman Hanif is faculty member in International Relations at Birkbeck, University of London. He has taught at the London School of Economics, University of Exeter, Royal Holloway and University of West Virginia (US). He specialises in US policy towards the Muslim world.

Mr. Mirza Saaib Baig, University of Oxford

Mirza Saaib Bég is a Kashmiri lawyer, Kofi Annan and Weidenfeld-Hoffman scholar and a

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Prof Dr. Syed Hussain Shaheed Soherwordi - Director Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Peshawar

Syed Hussain Shaheed Soherwordi is an Associate Professor with the University of Peshawar, following a career as researcher and teacher of International Relations, Conflict Resolution, Political Science and Creative Leadership. He completed his M. Phil and PhD from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He remained fellow of Fulbright, Carnegie, Charles Wallace, Higher Education Commission (HEC), and Edinburgh University. He has been teaching at the Fulbright Commission, Bulgaria for the last five years, where his teaching and training concerns peace and conflict resolution during the 21st century especially in the conflict zones like FATA (Pakistan), Afghanistan, and the Middle East. Dr. Soherwordi has written more than thirty four research papers on India, Pakistan, Tribal Areas of Pakistan, War on



Terror, Afghanistan, Pak-US relations, Conflict Resolution and the application of strategies to the prevention of terrorism and amelioration of counter-terrorism. His forthcoming books are on "Pak-US relations: A Comparative Study during Cold War and War on Terror" and "Pakistan, Taliban and the War on Terror." Dr Soherwordi has consulted for numerous foundations and government agencies on subjects like governance, local government, police reforms, education policy, federalism and decentralization. He is a visiting professor at the Command and Staff College, Quetta, National Institute of Management (NIM) Peshawar and National School of Public Policy (NSPP), Lahore. He is also member of the editorial board of 'the Exemplar,' a journal of South Asian Studies in California, United States.

Ambassador (Retd.) Khalid Mahmood - Chairman ISSI



Ambassador (Retired) Khalid Mahmood is a former Ambassador of Pakistan to Iran, Iraq, China, Saudi Arabia and Mongolia. Till becoming Ambassador, he mostly dealt with multilateral aspects of Pakistan's Foreign Policy. He has served as First Secretary and later as Deputy Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations, New York. He has worked as Director General (UN) and later as Additional Secretary (United Nations, Asia- Pacific and Africa) in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Islamabad. He is also a Former Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) and the

Economic Cooperation organization (ECO). He has all represented Pakistan at serveral Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) meetings/forums.



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Dr. Saif ur Rehman Malik - Director India Study Centre



Dr. Saif ur Rehman Malik, Tamgha-e-Imtiaz, is endowed with the professional skills in the ambit of Research & Publications, Administration & Management and Faculty role at very prestigious and prime Institutions of the country. He has produced number of research articles along with book chapters. The hall mark of his works include an elementary book on research, "Research Manual – Understanding Research in Social Sciences" & Edited Book, "Pakistan Sri Lanka Relations: A Story of Friendship". He has also rendered services as Interpreter in Arabic with the high

profile delegations and represented Pakistan at different fora abroad. Dr. Saif had spent an extended tenure at National Defence University, Islamabad in various capacities viz Director Research & Publications, Editor NDU Journal, Margalla Papers and ISSRA Papers, founding HOD MPHIL Program , Faculty of Security Studies (NSWC), founding Director BS Program , Faculty of Contemporary Studies. Dr. Saif joined ISSI as Director India Study Centre in January 2020 after having served 30 years in the stated domains. Dr. Saif is an alumnus of Quaid e Azam University, Islamabad.