

CSocD54 Side Event

“Rethinking Social Development through Partnerships in Pakistan”

February 5, 2016 @ 3pm

UNHQ Conference Room E

Through this event, **Family Education Services Foundation (FESF)** & American Pakistan Foundation (APF) are excited to highlight affiliate NGO’s social development initiatives in accordance to the UN Global Goals. This event is part of a series of events taking place in both Pakistan and the United States. These include:

- Youth Round Table Discussion hosted by [Pakistanis 4 Social Change](#) in at SUNY
- UN Global Goals Discussion at the MUNIK VII hosted by [NOWPDP](#) in Karachi, Pakistan
- Youth Round Table Discussion on Development and Global Goals hosted by [Youth Advocacy Network](#) in Lahore, Pakistan

An outcome document will combine the joint recommendations of participant NGOs from these events for the UN and other affiliate entities as a post-session document and action plan.

Format of the side event:

- Four 8-10 minute speaking time for each panelist about the organization (we request that you link your NGO initiatives to [UN Global Goals](#)).
- 4 questions will be presented to the panel
 - What is the role of multi-stakeholder partnerships in your NGO space?
 - What are the challenges to multi-stakeholder partnerships for your NGO? Institutional, cultural, etc. In Pakistan, are multi-stakeholder partnerships a viable development agenda?
 - Is the digital divide a concern for your NGO’s initiatives?
- Closing comments

Panelists:

1. Ibrahim Khan, Representative of Deaf Reach – Deaf Reach Schools and Training Centers provide free education and vocational training to deaf children and youth.
2. Zulfi Jafri, Representative of NAYA JEEVAN – Naya Jeevan seeks to alleviate poverty in the emerging world by providing low-income families with affordable access to quality healthcare.
3. Todd Shea, Founder of CDRS – Comprehensive Disaster Response Service provides disaster relief and social welfare work in AJK and Pakistan.

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4. Dr. Iffat Zafar, Co-Founder of doctHERs- doctHERs is a marketplace that connects female doctors to millions of underserved patients in real time while leveraging online technology.

Moderator: Ameena Zia, Adjunct Professor at the City University of New York & the UN Consultant for American Pakistan Foundation.

Host/Organizer: Family Education Services Foundation (FESF) & American Pakistan Foundation (APF)

About the Organizer:

In 2015 APF@UN was launched as an initiative of the American Pakistan Foundation (APF), in collaboration with the **Family Education Services Foundation (FESF)**, to serve as a multi-stakeholder in accordance with the UN Charter Article 71 which regulates consultative status between Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and NGOs.

This consortium of social development representation of Pakistan civil society (NGOs) is the first of its kind. APF@UN aims to bridge the information gap between Pakistan NGOs and the international development framework; works to connect the international development framework with specific targets of successes on the grassroots level in Pakistan; and works to ensure sustainable development in Pakistan through its multi-stakeholder approach to partnership.

Requirements:

- Sign Language Interpreter needed – one of the panel members is deaf.
- Audio/Mics/Visuals are requested. Panelists will show a short video.

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