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The seminar speakers included Mr. Muhammad Aslam, Additional Secretary (In charge) SAFRON, Ms. Ghazala Mirza from UNHCR, Mr. Idrees Mahsud, Member DRR, NDMA and Dr. Imran Syed, Head, CPS.

The Seminar was well attended by more than 50 students and faculty members.
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CPS Meeting to discuss the issue related to Migration and statelessness

Centre for Policy Studies, CUI, Islamabad held a meeting with some important stakeholders on November 27, 2018 at CUI Islamabad campus. The aim was to enhance collaboration in future. The Meeting was chaired by Dr. Imran Syed, Head, Centre for Policy Studies and was attended by Mr. Muhammad Aslam, Additional Secretary/In charge SAFRON and Mr. Idrees Mahsud, Member DRR, NDMA and Ms. Ghazala Mirza and Mr. Waseem Rahman from UNHCR.
CPS Researcher attended Multi-stakeholder Consultation Forum.

Dr. Kulsoom Sumra, Assistant Professor, Centre for Policy Studies, CUI, Islamabad attended Multi-stakeholder Consultation Forum” – Development of City Economic Vision of Islamabad at Islamabad Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, November 20, 2018. This Consultation forum was arranged by PRIME Institute with the collaboration of Islamabad Chamber of Commerce.

The purpose of this consultation meeting was to review the report of previous focus group discussion and to seek worthy insights for issue identification and making Islamabad an economically vibrant city.

Dr. Kalsoom Sumra, CPS endorsed the report and raised the issue on overlapping of responsibilities between CDA and local government. CDA needs to be more transparent and must not be a black box.
CPS Researcher presented two papers in an International Conference

Dr. Saeed Anwar, Assistant Professor, Centre for Policy Studies, CUI presented two papers in 7th International Conference on Positive Psychology: Developing a Flourishing community (ICPP2018) arranged by National Institute of Psychology, Quaid-e-Azam university, Islamabad on November 29-30, 2018. The titles of the papers are Advantages of Mentoring in Teaching in teaching Practice at B.Ed. Level for Prospective Teachers in Pakistan and Exploring Problems and Challenges during teaching practices at B.Ed. (HONS) programs considering quality teacher education in Pakistan.

CPS Researcher delivered a talk at a symposium

Dr. Muhammad Shakeel Ahmad, Assistant Professor, Centre for Policy Studies, CUI delivered a talk on “Research Exploration and Design” at a symposium held at National University of Modern Languages, Islamabad on November 28, 2018. Dr. Shakeel has shared techniques of formulating research question, literature review, construction of measuring tools and sampling techniques.

CPS Researcher participated in a workshop

Dr. Muhammad Shakeel Ahmad, Assistant Professor, Centre for Policy Studies, CUI participated in a one-day workshop on “Research Methodology and Mixed Methods in Political Science”. The Workshop was held at National Institute of Pakistan Studies, Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad on November 30, 2018 in Islamabad. This workshop was organized with the support of Hanss Seidel Foundation Pakistan.

CPS Researcher papers accepted in Journal of Policy Study.

Dr. Ghulam Shabbir, Assistant Professor, Centre for Policy Studies, CUI, Islamabad research papers on the topics: "Islam and Modernity in Crosshairs of History" and "Shifting axis of power from Atlantic to pacific and emerging Islamic Confucius Alliance: Pearls, Perils and pitfalls accepted in Journal of Policy Studies. This Journal is owned by Institute of Policy Studies.

CPS Researcher participated in workshop.

Faculty Development Academy organized a one-day workshop on ‘The Astonishing Power of Storytelling’ on November 28, 2018. Mr. Umar Sheraz conducted a module on "Exploring Story telling through Assumption and Myth/Metaphor”. the workshop was well attended by students and faculty from COMSATS and Quaid-e-Azam university as well as trainers and school representatives.
About CPS

The Centre for Policy Studies (CPS) aims at bridging the gap between academia, research and the public policy making processes. To achieve its goals the Centre’s team is a blend of academicians, scholarly researchers and policy practitioners who have had extensive experience in public policy formulation and implementations process at senior levels.

Through its collaboration and partnership with well-known policy centers and think tanks around the world, the Centre also examines Pakistan’s policy alternatives on the basis of best international practices in various fields.

Apart from the small number of team members at CPS, the Centre is also able to access over 500 PhD scholars working as faculty across the campuses of COMSATS in the country.

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