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DEADLINES:

- **Abstract submission:** December 31, 2018
- **Intimation of acceptance of abstract:** January 07, 2018
- **Paper submission:** February 28, 2019
- **Registration begins:** January 08, 2019
- **Last date for registration:** March 10, 2019

Theme of the Conference

Social unrest tends to rage across the globe in many forms, hindering or slowing down the prospect of peace and development. For instance, many human groups have been experiencing violence and unrest in the form of ethnic cleansing and genocide, prompting large-scale exodus of population in desperate search for a safer place to stay on. Again, people from the 'developing world' are entering into the space of the developed countries, particularly Europe, challenging the 'nationalist' oriented political parties and their governments, sparking hot debates among the various bodies and interest groups including governments and non-governmental organizations with differing value systems and ideologies. The increasing nationalist populism has led to hostile reception to international migrants, particularly threatening the lives of vulnerable groups. Even within the boundary of the nation-state, social unrest is caused by the issues such as price-hike, population growth, election-rigging, violence, and many other discontents and disquiet cutting across class, gender, region and religion. At the same time, efforts towards peace and conflict resolution have also been underway from the very moment of the fomenting of the social unrest. The present globalized world emphasizes conflict resolution, especially because social stability is seen as fundamental for achieving Sustainable Development Goals. Yet, these endeavors have manifold trajectories with such variables as the history of the nation-state, the nature of the government and political parties and inter-state relations, giving rise to the regional and geo-political dimensions to the issues of social unrest, peace and development.

This international conference looks at the challenges of peace and explores future possibilities of peace and development through addressing the threats posed by social unrest. The speakers in the conference will share their views and opinions to press for uniform agenda and thus to contribute to building peace and achieving the targeted developments.

The sub-themes of the international conference include, though by no means limited to:

1. Civil wars, refugees and social unrest
2. Economic disparity and its implications for peace and development
3. Population growth and social unrest
4. Globalization, migration and challenges towards peace and development
5. Gender inequality, violence, peace and development
6. Disaster management and the ecology of peace and development
7. Peace, education, social enterprise and sustainable development
8. Social unrest, peace and political process
9. NGOs in conflict resolution, peace and development
10. Role of youth in unrest and peace building
11. Ethno-religiosity, social unrest, peace and development
12. ICTs in conflict resolution, peace and development
13. Any other relevant issues/themes

Abstract Submission Details

Applicants are advised to submit abstracts (in English) through E-mail attachment as a word document to: icsdap7.iub@gmail.com by December 31, 2018. Abstracts should be in Microsoft Word, Times New Roman, 12 point font size. Abstract submission should include: (a) Presenter details (names, addresses, mobile numbers and email id), (b) Title (not exceeding 15 words), (c) Abstract (between 200-250 words), (d) Keywords (4 to 5) and (e) References (APA style).

Registration Fees & Procedure

The registration fees will be (BDT) 1000/- Taka, 1500/- Taka and 2000/- Taka for the student, NGO personnel and faculty member respectively in case of local participants of Bangladesh. This will include seminar kits, tea-snacks, and meals. For the foreign delegates, the fees will be 80 USD, 90 USD, and 200 USD for students of SAARC countries, faculty of SAARC countries and other foreign delegates, respectively. For the foreign delegates, registration fee will include seminar kits, tea-snacks, meals and accommodation for three nights on the campus. Details of the registration procedure will be intimated to the participants whose abstracts will be accepted and who will wish to join the conference.

Venue of the Conference and Important Places for Visit

The venue of the conference is Islamic University Bangladesh at Kushtia District, around four hours' road journey from Dhaka. The nearest airport Jessore is around 70 km from the campus. The core event will take place at Birshrestho Hamidur Rahman Auditorium and will be followed by a field visit to Shelaidah (34 km), the one-time residence of the Nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore, and Cheuria, renowned for its association with the internationally acclaimed mystic poet and singer Lalon Shah (26 km).

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