



Call for Abstracts/ Papers



12th Annual Population Research Conference

Pakistani Youth: The Ultimate Resource

November 22 - 24, 2011

University of The Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan

Mission Statement

Population Association of Pakistan (PAP) is working to promote and strengthen the discipline of population by providing a platform to subject experts for sharing of scientific knowledge and experiences and facilitating professional development in population and related fields.

Annual Population Research Conference, 2011

The 12th Annual Population Research Conference will be held from November 22 -24, 2011, in collaboration with University of The Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan . The theme of the Conference is "Pakistani Youth: The Ultimate Resource".

An estimated 103 million Pakistanis, or 63% of the population, fall under the age of 25 years. Such a young population must be regarded a vital asset for a country and its development, keeping in view that its youth is educated, positively engaged and has varied avenues of employment to choose from. However, in developing countries like Pakistan, the youth like all other population subgroups face the problem of poor resource availability and the provision of basic amenities of life such as access to good health care, education, housing and food. All these problems owe in large parts to the exacerbated problem of unemployment, which in the years to come are likened to grow as the economy and educational system are unable to accommodate the youth. This is the best time for Pakistan to invest in youth and reactivate and relocate their disfranchised energies towards economic and social development in Pakistan. Both the government and society must join hands on changing focus of policy and programs to make them more youth focused, so as to protect the emotional and physical health of the youth, their skill-based education, and provision of recreational facilities, employment, and above all incorporation of self-confidence, motivation and courage to move forward.

The 12th PAP conference will take a detailed and provocative look at the problems which are common afflictions of our youth, finding their solutions through a dialogue-exchange process and interactive sessions with key policymakers, media representatives, civil society representatives and eminent researchers. This will help enhance the prospects of our youth and taking them out of their educational, social and financial predicaments. The conference will also aim hugely at recognizing the employment challenges of our youth and will be seeking coherent, innovative and proven recommendations to support young people's efforts to obtain a decent move in the employment industry.

Call for Abstracts

PAP is inviting Abstracts for the Conference, which should be based on the above theme and reach the PAP Secretariat latest by July 31, 2011. The abstract must be written in English and should be submitted electronically with complete contact information including a working email address.

The submitted abstracts should follow the format available at www.pap.org.pk. Information about acceptance of abstracts will be communicated to authors by **August 10, 2011**. The last date for the receipt of completed papers is **October 10, 2011**. If the paper is not received by the due date, it will not be considered for the Conference. Information about the acceptance of paper will be communicated by **October 31, 2011**.

Financial support: A limited number of scholarships to cover travel, boarding and lodging are available on a competitive basis.

- All accepted abstracts will be posted at the PAP Website.
- Submitted Papers once accepted will be the property of PAP and will be published in the proceedings of the conference. However, subsequently a revised version of the paper can be submitted for publication elsewhere, with due acknowledgment given to PAP.

Conference Sub-Themes

- ▶ Youth, Education and Employment: Opportunities and Challenges
- ▶ Youth, Migration and Security
- ▶ Adolescents and Youth: Healthy Lifestyles
- ▶ Governance and Youth Participation
- ▶ Youth and Entrepreneurship
- ▶ Youth and Culture

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Important Dates

Submission of Abstract.....	July 31, 2011
Acceptance of Abstract.....	August 10, 2011
Submission of Final Paper/Poster.....	October 10, 2011
Acceptance of Paper/Poster.....	October 31, 2011
Conference Dates.....	November 22 - 24, 2011

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