

**International Conference on
Inter-Regional Connectivity: South Asia and Central Asia
(9-10, November, 2016)**

LIST OF FOREIGN SCHOLARS/ACADEMICIANS

Scholars/Academicians from USA			
Sr. No	Scholar/Academician	Title	Designation/ Institutional Affiliation
1.	Dmitry V. Shlapentokh	South Asia and Turkmenistan: Avoiding Geopolitical Trap	Associate Professor Department of History, Indiana University, Indiana, USA.
2.	Prof. Marvin G. Weinbaum	Reconciliation in South Asia as a Prerequisite for Inter-Regional Connectivity	Director, Center for Pakistan Studies, Middle East Institute, Washington DC. USA
3.	Dr. Min Ye	Analyzing the Domestic Sources of China's Belt and Road Initiative	Associate Professor of International Relations, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies, Boston University, U.S.A

Scholars/Academicians from Russia			
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4.	Akkieva Svetlana Ismailovna	Islam, ethnicity and ethnic policies in the South of Russia	Professor and leading researcher of sector of ethnology and ethnography, Kabardino-Balkarian Institute of Humanitarian Researches, Russia.
5.	Daniyar Gil'mutdinov	Why materialism won? Indian and Central Asian Sufi tradition against regional political ideology in the far Northern Muslim periphery at the turn of the XXth century.	Chief of the Department of the Social and Political Studies, Center for Islamic Studies, Academy of Sciences of Republic of Tatarstan, Kazan, RF.
Scholars/Academicians from People's Republic of China			
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6.	Prof. Simon Shen	China's "One Belt, One Road": Its Geopolitical Implications on South and Central Asia	Chinese University of Hong Kong
7.	Xiaoqing Xie Changqian Ma Yuan Jiang	China-Pakistan Economic Corridor: the Flagship Project of One Belt One Road	School of Public Administration, China University of Geosciences, Wuhan, PRC International Education College, China University of Geosciences, Wuhan, PRC.
8.	Xiaoqing Xie Changqian Ma	Peace and Development: China's High Education How to Contribute to One Belt One Road	School of Public Administration, China University of Geosciences, Wuhan, PRC International Education College, China University of Geosciences, Wuhan, PRC
9.	YUANMEI YAO	Pakistan's Key Role in the South Asia-Central Asia Connectivity: An Analysis on the Basis of Her Relations with Afghanistan, India and China	Associate Professor, Cold War Study Center, East China Normal University, Shanghai, 200062.

10.	Fu You-qiang,	Perspectives in Analyzing Central Asian Republics' Relations with Powers	Research Fellow in Center for Pakistani Studies, professor of history in College of History and Culture, China West Normal University, PRC.
11.	Peter Krasnopolsky,	China and Russia's nature of engagement in telecommunication sector in Central Asia and its twofold effects on regional cooperation and inter-regional connectivity with South Asia	PhD Candidate University of Nottingham, Ningbo, China
12.	By Marriyam Siddique Mehmood Hussain	Geo-politics behind Geo-economics: OBOR-China's new strategy	Candidate PhD International Relations, School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) Jilin University of PR China.
13.	Dr. QIAN Xuemei	Understanding the SA-CA Connectivity: A Chinese perspective	Associate Professor School of the International Studies, Peking University, PRC
14.	Zhou Yuan	Xinjiang's Role in Regional Economic Cooperation among China, South Asia and Central Asia	Foreign Studies University, Beijing, PRC.
15.	Mehmood Hussain Marriyam Siddique Sumara Mehmood	Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO): Prospects, Opportunities & Impediments for Regional Economic Integration & Connectivity Evaluation of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) through using SWOT Analysis Framework	First two authors are PhD Fellow in International Relations at School of International & Public Affairs (SIPA), Jilin University China The third author is Master Degree Candidate in Higher Education at School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Dalian University of Technology (DUT)
16.	Professor Tang Jun (Richer TJ.)	The Great Game" VS "Belt and Road Initiative" from the Perspective of Geopolitics and Geo-economic.	Director, Pakistan Research Center, Honder College of IMNU, China
17.	Muhammad Rahim Jafar	CPEC Inter-Regional Connectivity between South Asia and Central Asia	Researcher, Pakistan Research Center Honder College of INMU, China.

18.	Zafar Hussain and Liu Chang	Mutual dependence and promotion for holistic regionalism for greater internal stability cornering around CPEC	PhD Fellow, Institute of Communication Studies, Communication University of China, Beijing, China. Professor & Vice Dean, Faculty of Journalism and Communication, Communication University of China, Beijing,
19.	Dr Ghulam Ali	China, India and Pakistan: Need of Trilateral Engagement	Postdoctoral Fellow Center for Pakistan Studies Department of South Asian Studies Peking University, Beijing, China
20.	Muhammad Yousaf & Ji Deqiang	Regional press framing Inter-Regional connectivity: Exploring Connectivity between South Asia and Central Asia through Content Analysis of Newspapers	Doctoral Student, Institute of Communication Studies, Communication University of China, Beijing Associate Professor, The National Centre for Radio and Television Studies, Communication University of China, Beijing
21.	Nadeem Akhtar, AN Ran and Cornelius B. Pratt	Chinese and Pakistani Student Perceptions of the New Silk Road Initiative: Implications for Intercultural Understanding	Public Diplomacy and Intercultural Communication Research Center, South China University of Technology, Guangzhou, China. School of Media and Communication, Temple University, USA.
22.	Fakhra Rashid, Shahid Mehmood & Feng Feng	Inviting competition or conflict emergence in Asia region linked with Pak-China International cooperation	School of Public Affairs, University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, Anhui, China
23.	Chienyu Shih	Shaping Han Virtual Identity in Xinjiang: Ethnicity, Religion and Governance	Senior Lecturer at the Department of Journalism, Chuhai College (Hong Kong), and Secretary-general of the Association of Central Asian Studies (Taiwan)
24.	Muhammad Umer Arshad	China Pakistan Economic Corridor Geo Politics issues& Internal Challenges	PhD Fellow The Collage of Economic and management Science, Inner Mongolia University, China

Scholars/Academicians from England, UK

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25.	Aeron O'Connor	Sounds and Words that Bring Together – An Ethnographic Exploration of Tajik-Pakistani Cultural Ties	PhD Candidate, Department of Anthropology, University College London (UCL), UK
26.	Hakim Elnazarov	Reinvigoration of Cultural and Historical Ties in the borders of South and Central Asia. Implications for Inter-Regional Connectivity	Coordinator, Central Asian Studies The Institute of Ismaili Studies, London, UK.

Scholars/Academicians from Germany

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27.	Katja Mielke Helena Cermeño	Pakistan at the Crossroads: Boundary-making and unmaking through (im-)mobilities of resources, people and ideas	Department of Political and Cultural Change, Bonn University's Center for Development Research (ZEFa), Germany
28.	Wendy Qian	Colonization through Cotton in South Asia and Central Asia	Master of Modern Indian Studies University of Göttingen, Germany

Scholar/Academician from Belgium

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29.	Alberto Jouwert Turkstra	"Pakistan and India's Accession to the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO): Prospects for Inter-regional connectivity".	Programme Coordinator, European Institute for Asian Studies, Brussels (Belgium).

Scholar/Academician from Czech Republic			
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30.	Dr. Martin Hribek,	Imagining transnational connectivities: Some Asia-centric perspectives from Central Europe	Deputy Director Institute of South and Central Asia Faculty of Arts Charles University in Prague Czech Republic
Scholars/Academicians from India			
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31.	Dr. Amrish Dhaka,	South-Central Asian Connectivities in Semiotics of Cultural Modernities	Assistant Professor, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.
32.	Dr. Mohammad Ibrahim Wani Dr. M. Afzal Mir	Energy Resources in Central Asia: A Vital Source for the Respective Economies of the Region.	(PDF Research Scholar) (Associate Professor) Center for Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir, Hazratbal, Srinagar, India.
33.	Dr. QUAISAR ALAM	New Silk Road: A Game Changer for South Asia and Central Asia or Others?	Assistant Professor, University of Delhi, New Delhi, India.
34.	Dr. Sima Baidya	South Asia and Central Asia's Energy Co-operations: Big Gain for Pakistan, Little Gain for India	Assistant Professor, Centre for West Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India

35.	DR.SWARNAMALYA GANESH	Jakkini---a lost dance form that Validates the cultural connections Between India and the Persian Countries	Dance Historian Adjunct Professor, UCLA Director- Ranga Mandira Academy of World Dance/ Performance and Indic Studies. India,
36.	MINAKSHI BURAGOHAIN	Women Leadership as Carriers of Dynasty in South-Asia	RESEARCH SCHOLAR CENTRE FOR POLITICAL STUDIES, JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY, NEW DELHI, INDIA.
37.	Mohammad Dawood Sofi	Pakistan's Relations with Central Asia: Problems and Prospects	Ph.D. Research Scholar, Department of Islamic Studies, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh-202002, (U.P.) India.
38.	Muhammad Yaseen Gada	The New Silk Route: Reviving and Reconnecting Kashmir to Central Asia	PhD Student, Islamic Studies, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh-202002, (U.P.) India.
39.	Nandita Palrecha	People-Centric Engagement and Inter-Regional Connectivity: South Asia and Central Asia	Department of Geopolitics and International Relations, Manipal University, India.
40.	Prof Sanjay Kumar Pandey	India - Central Asia Connectivity: INSTC and other Options	Chairperson Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies School of International Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India
41.	Prof. Dr. Phool Badan	Geopolitics of TAPI and Regional Cooperation	Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University School of International Studies New Delhi, India.

42.	Punit Kumar Mishra	Understanding Pluralism in South Asia	Research Scholar, Centre for Study of Regional Development, Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi, India
43.	Usman Shahid Tridivesh Singh	India-Pakistan trade relations: Why more trade routes are a necessity	
44.	Pervez Majeed Lone	Potential of Kashmir for Establishing Inter-regional Connectivity	Journalist from Srinagar Kashmir, India.
Scholars/Academicians from Sri Lanka			
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45.	Punsara Amarasinghe Dhammika Attaptu	21 st Century Great Game and its actors: India's lust for Central Asia and It's repercussions in South Asia	Faculty of Law, South Asian University, New Delhi, Independent Researcher Royal Asiatic Society of Sri Lanka,
46.	Ajith Balasooriya	Sri Lanka "a Hub in Asia": Does it A Winning Goal?	Department of International Relations University of Colombo, Sri Lanka
47.	Jeewaka Saman Kumara	China's Approaches towards South and Central Asia	Senior Lecture Dept. of Political Science University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka

Scholar/Academician from Bangladesh

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48.	Md. Thowhidul Islam	Political Impact of Farakkha Barrage Dispute on the Bilateral Relationship between India and Bangladesh; An Observation A Critical Evaluation of the Sino-Russian Strategic Cooperation in the Post 9/11 Central Asia	Assistant Professor of Bangladesh Studies, Center for University Requirement Courses (CENURC) International Islamic University Chittagong (IIUC), Bangladesh

Scholar/Academician from Nepal

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49.	Mahesh Raj Bhatta	South Asia-Central Asia Interface: Geo-strategic and Geo-economic Prospects for Cooperation	Centre for South Asian Studies (CSAS), Nepal

Scholars/Academicians from Uzbekistan

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50.	Rashid Gabdulhakov	Central and South Asian Cooperation: Dead End or the Light in the End of the Tunnel?	Central Asian Development Institute, Uzbekistan.
51.	Tulkin Chulliev	Dynamics of Central Asian Regional Integration	Research Fellow, University of World Economy and Diplomacy, Tashkent, Uzbekistan
52.	Ulugbeck A. Khasanov, PhD	Specifics of transborder security in Central Asia	Chair of International Relations Department, Associate Professor University of World Economics & Diplomacy, Uzbekistan

53.	DILDORA SHADIYEVA	INNOVATIVE ACTIVITY FUNDING: ANALYSIS OF GLOBAL TRENDS AND PRACTICE IN UZBEKISTAN	Research Scholar, ECONOMIC THEORY DEPARTMENT, TASHKENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTE, UZBEKISTAN
54.	Mirzaeva Zulkhumor	From Marksistic method to pluralistic thought: Conflicts in Reinvention process of Uzbek Literary Criticism	Ph.D in Philology Chair of the Department of Uzbek Literature in Tashkent State Uzbek and Literature University named after Alisher Navai, (Tashkent, Uzbekistan)
Scholars/Academicians from Kyrgyzstan			
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55.	Mavliuda Guseinova	CULTURAL DIVERSITY AS A FACTOR OF PEACE AND INTEGRATION IN THE MULTI-ETHNIC KYRGYZ SOCIETY (On the case of ethnoses of the Kyrgyz Republic)	Vice Head & Master Degree Coordinator International Relations Department International Ataturk Ala-Too University, Bishkek/Kyrgyzstan
Scholars/Academicians from Tajikistan			
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56.	Sunatullo Jonboboev	Pamirs/Badakhshan- an Apple of Discord Between two Empires: the issue of Identities and Cultural Heritage in Tajik Pamirs/Badakhshan	Senior Research Fellow, University of Central Asia, Dushanbe, Tajikistan

Scholars/Academicians from Kazakhstan

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57.	Akbota Zholdasbekova Ariel Gonzalez Levaggi	New Silk Roads in the 21th Century: A path to integration or a geopolitical scramble?	Professor at the UNESCO Chair for Ethnic and Religious Tolerance, L.N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University. Kazakhstan. President of Eurasian International Studies Association. Ph.D. Candidate, Koç University. Founder of the Latin America and Caribbean – Turkey Academic Network (LACTAN).

Scholars /Academicians from Turkey

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58.	Barış DOSTER	The Membership of India and Pakistan in the SCO and Their Contributions to the SCO's Strategic and Geopolitical Importance	Associate Professor, Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey
59.	Prof. Dr. Eyüp Cüneyt Akalın	Reconsidering Turko-Pakistan Relations within Shanghai Cooperation Organisation	Associate Professor Arel University, İstanbul, Turkey

Scholars /Academicians from Abu Dhabi, UAE

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60.	Jonathan Fulton	An Analysis of Two Corridors in China's One Belt, One Road Initiative: China-Pakistan and China Central-West Asia	College of Sustainability Studies and the Humanities, Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, UAE.

Scholars /Academicians from Singapore

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61.	Dr. Bilveer Singh	RISING SOUTH ASIA-CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL CONNECTIVITY: IMPLICATIONS FOR SOUTHEAST ASIA	Professor, Department of Political Science, National University of Singapore (NUS) President, Political Science Association, Singapore.
62.	Ren Jie	A Community of Common Destiny: A Pathway towards Regional Integration	Ren Jie is a master candidate of Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore.
63.	SINDERPAL SINGH	Conceptualizing Inter-Regional Connectivity	Senior Fellow S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

Scholars /Academicians from Taiwan

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64.	CHANG, Ching	Connectivity vs. Unconventional Threats, the Inevitability and Countering Measures	Research Fellow, Society for Strategic Studies, Taiwan, Republic of China.
65.	Chishin Chang	Balance of 'Unbalance'? The Prospect and Challenges of China's Efforts of 'Connecting' Itself with South Asia	Adjunct Assistant Professor, Center for General Education, Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan\

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