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# **IBA AMAN Center for Entrepreneurial Development (CED)**

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## Information Session on DICE Pakistan Fellowship Program with School of leadership (SoL) 9th January, 2019:

IBA Center for entrepreneurial development (CED) in collaboration with School of leadership (SoL) organized an information session regarding DICE Pakistan Fellowship Program. This informative session was arranged at AMAN CED building IBA main campus. The honorable guests from School of leadership (SoL) were welcomed by the IBA incubation team.

The session began with the introduction of guests followed by an overview of IBA CED and its incubation program. In his talk Mr. Waqar Ali, Lead Trainer and Consultant at SoL explained that British Council has launched DICE Fellowship Program in Pakistan with School of Leadership (SoL). He described that DICE-SoL has been designed to develop Inclusive and Creative businesses, and it includes a process of training, mentoring and networking.



Mr. Fawad Safder, Regional Coordinator SoL discussed about the importance of entrepreneurial thinking among young entrepreneurs. He further highlighted that DICE-SoL will enable enterprise leaders to sustain their businesses, multiply their impact and empower entrepreneurs to turn their passion into a sustainable business ventures.

The session was attended by enthusiastic participants including IBA CED Incubatees, IBA students, IBA CED students and some external participants.



# Graduation Ceremony of Youth Employment Project

17th January, 2019: IBA Center for Entrepreneurial Development organized a magnificent Graduation Ceremony for the students enrolled in the “Youth Employment Project (YEP)”. IBA and UNDP collaborated for this project and trained 479 male and female students belonging to the different vocational education and training institutes of Karachi. Entrepreneurship and life skills training were provided to these students during the course of two months (i.e.; November-December, 2018) time interval. The students who successfully completed the course and initiated their entrepreneurial ventures were invited to receive their certificate during the ceremony.

A total of ten batches of students enrolled in the YEP graduation ceremony waited anxiously outside the auditorium. The batches were organized in queue. They were highly enthused and overwhelmed to wear the graduation gowns and considered this day as an awe-inspiring day of their lives. Their energy level reached heights when they saw their batch coordinators welcoming them before the start of the ceremony.



The ceremony was started with the recitation of the Holy Quran followed by National Anthem. Dr. Shahid Qureshi (the Program Director IBA CED) then delivered a welcome note and highlighted the purpose and mindset behind this program.



Graduating students had glowing faces and cherishing smiles. A host of eminent guests graced the graduation ceremony including; Dr. Farrukh Iqbal (Executive Director, IBA Karachi), Mr. Shah Jahan & Moin Zaidi from UNDP Pakistan, Mr. Aamer Shabbir Khan (General Manager Administration, IBA Karachi), Mr. Imtiaz Ghani (CEO of Ghani Glass), Arsalan Taj (MPA Sindh Assembly), Vice Admiral (R) Mr. Arifullah Hussaini, and many others. The guests were provided mementoes and bouquets during the ceremony in order to appreciate their presence.



# Graduation Ceremony of CIE & Startups Launching Ceremony



Feb 14, 2019: The evening of 14th February marked the celebration of graduation of IBA CED's 7th and 8th batch of its Certificate in Entrepreneurship under its flagship entrepreneurship development program (EDP). The historic G&T auditorium in IBA's main campus was the venue of this splendid graduation ceremony. The environment was filled with happiness and joy. The graduating students, wearing the graduating gown, were enthusiastic to receive their certificates and to begin a new phase of their entrepreneurial lives. To share the celebration and to motivate the passing out young entrepreneurs, Dr. Farrukh Iqbal, Executive Director IBA was present as the chief guest of the ceremony. Along with the Executive Director, Dr. Shahid Qureshi, Program Director CED, Dr. Nasir Afghan, Dr. Imran Khan, Dr. Kamran Mumtaz and others were also there during the graduation ceremony. The guests of honor were Mr. Muhammad Rahat Hussain, Nestle, Pakistan, Syed Mahmood, Karachi Foods and Zeeshan Altaf Lohya, Founder & President, Z Group of Companies. The ceremony commenced with the recitation of Holy Quran and Naat, after which the podium was taken over by Dr. Shahid Qureshi. He formally introduced the program and the passing out entrepreneurs. He let the audience to know about the businesses they have commenced after this program. The conferment of certificates on batch 7 began after the formal introduction. A total of 70 entrepreneurs in batch 7 were conferred with the certificates. The ceremony witnessed the launch of some of the businesses of the participants while some mementos were presented to the Dr. Farrukh Iqbal. This presentation was followed by dramatic performance to showcase effectuation and causation mindsets through a stage drama play. This play was written and conceptualized by Dr. Shahid Qureshi. Later, the batch 8 was conferred with the certificates and the total of 63 entrepreneurs received the certificates. All the passing out entrepreneurs showed their motivation and interest to play their role in the national economic development. The ceremony ended with group photographs, the presentation of flowers and shields to all of the guests followed by the dinner.



