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InnovatED at AKU's National Health Sciences Research Symposium



InnovatED was an experience in collaborative learning like never before! It was organized by team CCIT for AKU's 21st National Health Sciences Research Symposium, with the theme 'Emergency Care: Time & Life Matter'. Workshop attendees

teamed up in small groups and embarked on a grueling yet satisfying journey. At every destination, each team competed in a series of challenges that tested the participants' knowledge of Emergency Medicine, their skills in the field of life support, but above all, coordinated teamwork. Attendees also gained greater cognizance in patient-centered emergency care.

National visit to incubators and innovation setups



The CCIT team visited and opened communication channels with leading players in the national start-up and incubation space - including National Incubation Centre Lahore, PlanX PITB, National Incubation Centre Islamabad, and BaseCamp2.0 Peshawar. These domestic tours of the national incubation space made us realise that now indeed is an exciting time to start a business and to innovate in Pakistan

MindHack



Organized as a workshop at the AKU Parwaaz Student Congress 2018, this mini-hackathon focused on enabling participants to dig deep into and dissect problems relevant to campus life, teaching and learning, and gender equity. Those meaningful problem statements were then presented as creative 3 minute pitches to a jury of academics from the very student-centric Boston and Ryerson Universities. The top three teams also got to pitch their problems in a packed auditorium at the inauguration session of the Congress.

Ignite 'EM all!



This fast-paced Ignite session was part of AKU's 21st National Health Sciences Research Symposium (NHSRS), with the theme 'Emergency Care: Time & Life Matter'. Igniters discussed ideas relevant to Emergency Medicine in an effort to "Ignite" the audience and spark inspiration within it. [Read more...](#)



Maheen Khan and Mehek Narmeen present their idea at the Ignite session.



Plenary session L-R: Dr Barbra Villona, Dr Adnan Hyder, Dr Nick Brown and Dr Erica Shelton.



Mega Entrepreneurship Event -Sukkur IBA



Members of the CCIT team were invited by Sukkur IBA to the Mega Entrepreneurship Event organized in collaboration with DICE. They served as panelists to discuss innovative advances in the healthcare space and potential impact of technology within the same.

Memorandum of Understanding Signing with PharmEvo and Organization of Pakistani Entrepreneurs in North America (OPEN)



AKU (with CCIT as a strategic entity) signed an MoU with PharmEvo and OPEN. This partnership sets precedence for corporate involvement in nurturing and supporting in-house healthcare start-ups. [Read more...](#)

Exploring an entrepreneurial approach to student learning and impact



Dr. Athar Osama, Asma Ladak, and Faisal Sherjan presented on Entrepreneurship as a way of enabling student impact at a CCIT moderated Parallel Session as part of the AKU Parwaaz Student Congress 2018. Three distinct perspectives on the need and how best to explore an entrepreneurial approach to enabling student learning and impact, were shared with the audience. Highly insightful presentations from each of the speakers, followed by an interactive cross exchange between students, representatives from Ryerson University and the panel, were meaningful outcomes.

What's round the corner

- Hack V4.0 ([Hackathon for Global Surgery](#))
- AKU- Ryerson University co-assessment of the innovation and incubation eco-system



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