



4th East West Economics Research Conclave 2025

April 25 - 26, 2025

Nousher Ali Lecture Gallery

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East West University

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Program Details	
Start - End	Day 1 - Friday, 25 April 2025
9:00 - 10:00	Registration
10:00 - 11:20	Inaugural Session: Doubling Down on Development - Bangladesh's Strategies Going Forward
10:00 - 10:10	Welcome Speech: Dr. Muntasir Chaudhury , Associate Professor & Chairperson, Department of Economics, East West University
10:10 - 10:20	Inaugural Speech: Professor Shams Rahman , Ph.D., Vice Chancellor, East West University
10:20 - 10:50	Keynote Speaker: HE PARK Young Sik , Ambassador of the Republic of Korea
10:50 - 11:10	Special Guest: Dr. Monzur Hossain , Member, General Economics Division, Bangladesh Planning Commission
11:10 - 11:20	Session Chair: Professor Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin , Chairperson, Board of Trustees, East West University
11:20 - 11:30	Session Break
11:30 - 12:55	Session 1: Climate Change and Environmental Issues
11:30 - 11:40	• Carbon Footprint in Paddy Production: A Study on Farmers in Khulna District , Rukaiya Binte Sujauddin, Khulna University
11:40 - 11:50	• Adaptation through Cross-border Migration: Evidence from Climate Shocks Like Cyclone Aila in Bangladesh , Dr. Mohammad Harunur Rashid Bhuyan, Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS)
11:50 - 12:00	• Green Finance, Pollution and Income Inequality in South Asia , Fardin Anwod Ayshi, North South University
12:00 - 12:10	• (Online) Developing a Theoretical Model for Micro-Level E-Waste Estimation , Prajyot P. Gaonkar, Goa University
12:10 - 12:30	Discussants
12:10 - 12:20	Discussant 1: Mr. Mosleh Uddin , Senior Program Officer, Climate Finance, South Asia, Global Center on Adaptation
12:20 - 12:30	Discussant 2: Ms. Sayeeda Jahan , Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, East West University
12:30 - 12:40	Open Discussion
12:40 - 12:55	Session Chair: Dr. A.M. Tanvir Hussain , Environmental Economist, SANDEE-ICIMOD
12:55 - 15:00	Prayer and Lunch Break

15:00 - 16:00	<i>Panel Discussion: Bangladesh in the Era of Global Economic Turmoil (Open Session)</i>
	Moderator: <i>Professor A K Enamul Haque</i> , Director General, Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS)
15:00 - 15:25	Panelist: <i>Professor Mustafizur Rahman</i> , Distinguished Fellow, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD)
15:25 - 15:50	Panelist: <i>Professor Mohammad Abul Hossain</i> , Department of Economics, University of Chittagong
15:50 - 16:00	<i>Open Discussion</i>
16:00 - 16:15	<i>Session Break</i>
16:15 - 17:40	<i>Session 2: Labor, Gender and Health Economics</i>
16:15 - 16:25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Determinants of Women's Justification of Household Physical Abuse: An Econometric Analysis Using MICS 2019 Data</i>, Rassi Aziz Kabir, Research Associate, Research and Policy Integration for Development (RAPID)
16:25 - 16:35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Socioeconomic Disparities in Facility-Based Childbirth in Bangladesh: BDHS Data 2022</i>, Asma Akter, East West University
16:35 - 16:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Economic Returns from Various Levels and Streams of Education: An Application of Mincerian Model</i>, Md. Moudud Hasan Saikot, Research Fellow, University of Rajshahi
16:45 - 16:55	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>(Online) Land Fragmentation and Non-farm Labor Supply Nexus: An Evidence from Nepal</i>, Prajjwal Dhungana, SANDEE-ICIMOD
16:55 - 17:15	<i>Discussants</i>
16:55 - 17:05	Discussant 1: <i>Dr. Shafiun Nahin Shimul</i> , Professor, Institute of Health Economics, University of Dhaka
17:05 - 17:15	Discussant 2: <i>Mr. Gazi Quamrul Hasan</i> , Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, East West University
17:15 - 17:25	<i>Open Discussion</i>
17:25 - 17:40	Session Chair: <i>Professor Atonu Rabbani</i> , Department of Economics, University of Dhaka



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Start - End	Day 2 - Saturday, 26 April 2025
8:30 - 9:00	Registration
9:00 - 10:00	Session 1: Himalayan Policy Research Consortium (HPRC) Sponsored Online Session: Issues Impacting Sustainable Economic and Financial Development
9:00 - 9:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determinants of Child Stunting in Bangladesh: The Role of Dietary Diversity, Tausifa Hasin Tajalli, University of New Mexico, USA
9:10 - 9:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political Budget Cycles, Political Branding and Bicycles Distribution: Evidence from West Bengal, India, Dr. Deepak Singhania & Dr. Soumi Roy Chowdhury, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Gandhinagar, India
9:20 - 9:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impacts of the Seasonality of Flu on US Stock Prices, Dr. Sakib Mahmud, University of Wisconsin-Superior, USA
9:30 - 9:54	Discussants
9:30 - 9:38	Discussant 1: Dr. Sakib Mahmud , University of Wisconsin-Superior, USA
9:38 - 9:46	Discussant 2: Dr. Samrat Kunwar , University of Pacific, USA
9:46 - 9:54	Discussant 3: Dr. Deepak Singhania , Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Gandhinagar, India
9:54 - 10:00	Session Chair: Dr. Samrat Kunwar , University of Pacific, USA
10:00 - 11:15	Session Break
11:15 - 12:30	Plenary Session: Conversation between Air Cdre (Retd) Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury, Treasurer, East West University and Parvez Karim Abbasi, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, East West University
12:30 - 14:00	Prayer and Lunch Break
14:00 - 15:15	Session 2: Energy Economics
14:00 - 14:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Online) PyPSA-BD: A Customized Model to Explore Decarbonized Energy Transition for Developing Country, Dr. Firuz Ahamed Nahid, Asian Institute of Technology
14:10 - 14:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Online) Barriers to Overcome in Accelerating Renewable Energy Penetration in Bangladesh, Hasan Mahmud, Bangladesh Energy and Power Research Council
14:20 - 14:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Online) Global Energy-Output Nexus: A Two-Sector Model Analysis, Md. Shahriar Mahmud Mobin, North South University
14:30 - 14:50	Discussants
14:30 - 14:40	Discussant 1: Dr. ABM Omor Faruque , Assistant Professor, Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka
14:40 - 14:50	Discussant 2: Dr. Md. Abdullah Al Mashrur , Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, East West University
14:50 - 15:00	Open Discussion
15:00 - 15:15	Session Chair: Dr. Biva Arani Mallik , Associate Professor, Department of Economics, East West University
15:15 - 15:30	Session Break



15:30 - 17:00	<i>Session 3: Development and Contemporary Issues</i>
15:30 - 15:40	• <i>Impact of Cash Incentive on Remittance: An Investigation through Synthetic Control Approach</i> , Md. Imran Nazir, East West University & Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD)
15:40 - 15:50	• <i>Analyzing Income Inequality in Rural and Urban Areas of Bangladesh: Micro-Level Evidence</i> , Prokity Noreen Kashem, Research Fellow, Department of Economics, Rajshahi University
15:50 - 16:00	• <i>Factors Influencing the Residential Water Demand of Dhaka City</i> , Chowdhury Lamia Tarik, East West University
16:00 - 16:10	• <i>Bridging the Gaps: Analyzing the Infrastructural Development Trends Across Bangladesh</i> , Arghya Bhuiyan, Jahangirnagar University
16:10 - 16:40	<i>Discussants</i>
16:10 - 16:20	Discussant 1: <i>Dr. Mohammad Abdul Munim Joarder</i> , Professor, Department of Economics, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology
16:20 - 16:30	Discussant 2: <i>Ms. Mehnaz Rabbani</i> , Director, Operations, Strategy and Partnership, Brac Institute of Governance and Development (BIGD)
16:30 - 16:40	Discussant 3: <i>Mr. Biplob Kumar Nandi</i> , Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, East West University
16:40 - 16:50	<i>Open Discussion</i>
16:50 - 17:00	Session Chair: <i>Dr. Anwara Begum</i> , Research Director, Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS)
17:00 - 17:15	<i>Session Break</i>
17:15 - 17:40	<i>Concluding Session</i>
17:15 - 17:25	Rapporteur's Report: <i>Mr. Abeer Khandker</i> , Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, East West University
17:25 - 17:35	Concluding Remarks by the Session Chair, <i>Professor Dr. Mohammad Ashik Mosaddik</i> , Pro-Vice Chancellor, East West University
17:35 - 17:40	Vote of Thanks
19:00 - 20:30	<i>Dinner (by invitation)</i>