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**Subject: 39TH PSDE ANNUAL CONFERENCE – CALL FOR EXTENDED ABSTRACTS & PHD SYMPOSIUM**

Dear Vice Chancellor

Greetings from the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE)!

PIDE, established in 1957 and granted degree-awarding status in 2006, has long stood as the country's premier institute for economic research, teaching, and policy dialogue. Over the decades, it has shaped national debates, guided public policy, and trained generations of economists who continue to influence Pakistan's development landscape.

Today, PIDE is undergoing a bold transformation—restructuring its institutional framework, launching cutting-edge research centers, and introducing new MPhil and PhD programs in frontier areas of economics, governance, and policy. The vision is clear: to re-establish PIDE as a vibrant hub of thought leadership, innovation, and actionable research fully aligned with Pakistan's future economic needs.

In this spirit, the **Pakistan Society of Development Economists (PSDE)**—housed at PIDE since 1982—is convening its 39th Annual General Meeting and International Conference on April 7–8, 2026, in Islamabad, under the theme: **“Mission \$100 Billion: The National Race for Sustainable Export-led Prosperity.”**

This conference brings together leading economists, policymakers, business leaders, and scholars to co-create ideas that can transform Pakistan's economic trajectory. We warmly invite submissions through the **Call for Extended Abstracts** (*details in the attached brochure and flyer*).

To nurture the next generation of researchers, the PSDE is also hosting the first ever **PhD Symposium and Poster Competition**, providing enrolled PhD scholars an opportunity to showcase innovative ideas, engage with experts, (*details in the attached brochure and flyer*) and receive valuable feedback.

I would be deeply grateful if you could share the attached materials with your faculty and students, encouraging them to actively participate in this important national dialogue. Your institution's presence and contributions will enrich the discourse and reflect the collective strength of Pakistan's academic community.

For coordination and further details, Mr. Saddam Hussein, Deputy Chief (Policy) / Joint Secretary, PSDE, may please be contacted at 051-9248049, 0336-5513911, or [psde@pide.org.pk](mailto:psde@pide.org.pk).

With warm regards and highest esteem,

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