

# Engr. Qaiser NAWAB

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Advocate - UN's SDGs, Human Rights Defender, Youth Activist, Strategic Communication Expert & Renowned Social Worker

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## Education

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**Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology, Islamabad**

Master in Project Management (MPM)

**COMSATS Institute of Information of Technology, Abbottabad, KP, Pakistan**

BS (Honors) in Electrical Power Engineering

**Saginaw Valley State University, Michigan, United States Exchange Program:**

Bachelor of Science (Honors), Electrical Power Engineering

Courses: American History, Public Speaking, English, Digital Logic Design Lab and Engineering Career

**Royal Commonwealth Society, London, UK**

Associate Fellow

**Strategic Studies Institute Islamabad**

Summer School on Pakistan Foreign Relations and Nuclear Policies

## Objectives

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Seeking an opportunity to join an organization where I can use my skills in the best possible way for achieving its goals. Research over education, Youth, Transgender and women rights is my fundamental goals.

## Skills & Competencies

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Creative, Able to take Initiatives, Team leader, Flexible, Motivational Public Speaker; Strategic Communication/Partnership Expert.

Ability to plan and prioritize work duties as well as work competently under pressure and tight deadlines;

## Work Experience

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**Manager International Relations & SDGs**, Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS), Secretariat April 2019- up to date

**Assistant Program Officer**, International Office, Principal Seat, COMSATS University Islamabad, Pakistan. Nov 2016 - April 2019

**Founder & CEO**, "THE" Society – Together for Health and Education May 2014 - to date

## Projects (social work)

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**Eradication of Illiteracy and health problems:** Administering "THE" society – Together for Health and Education as 'Founder and Chief Executive Officer', the long term process commenced with the foundation of the society and is actively working to promote health and education.

## **Extra-Curricular Information**

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**Founder and Chief-Executive-Officer of an NGO “THE” Society (Together for Health and Education)**

<b>UNCTAD Youth Delegate 2018</b>	<b>Oct 2015-Present</b>
<b>Youth Deputy Speaker at Youth Parliament Pakistan</b>	
<b>Education Youth Ambassador of Pakistan</b>	<b>Feb 2015 –Present</b>
<b>Member at National Peace Committee for Interfaith Harmony Govt. of Pakistan (NPCIH)</b>	<b>2013- Present</b>
<b>Volunteer at UN Volunteers</b>	<b>2013 – Present</b>
<b>Volunteer at Dubai Cares</b>	<b>2013 – Present</b>
<b>Event Organizers at IEEE HERTZ an Engineering Society</b>	<b>Feb 2012–Feb 2016</b>
<b>Media coordinator of COMSATS Literary Society</b>	<b>Feb 2012–Feb 2016</b>
<b>Member Leadership Club, Saginaw Valley State University, Michigan, USA</b>	<b>Jan 2015- May 2015</b>
<b>Pakistani Students Leader-International Students Club-SVSU, Michigan USA</b>	<b>Jan 2015- May 2015</b>
<b>Ambassador National Academy for Young Scientists – NAYS, CIIT Chapter</b>	<b>Feb 2013 – December 2015</b>
<b>Class Representative at CIIT Abbottabad, KP, Pakistan</b>	<b>Feb 2012 – December 2015</b>

## **Honors and Awards**

**Associate Fellow** **Royal Commonwealth Society, London, United Kingdom, 2016**

On account of my active contribution for the promotion of commonwealth values and fulfilling my responsibilities faithfully, I am honored with Associate Fellow of RCS, UK.

**UK Youth Award 2016** **Houses of Parliament, London, United Kingdom**

On account of my valuable social services, I have been awarded “Youth Award” on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016 in House of Lord, Houses of Parliament, London, United Kingdom.

**Youth Achiever Award 2016** **March 16, 2016**

My nomination for the “Youth Achiever Award” has been selected for the category “*Leadership*”.

**Youth Icon Award 2015 and 2016 (Pakistan)** **August 12, 2015 and 2016**

On account of my valuable social services, contribution to Society, leadership skills, I have been two times awarded “Youth Icon Award (Pakistan) in 2015 and 2016 on behalf of United Nation on August 12, 2015 and 2016, (UN International Youth Day).

**Cultural Ambassador of Pakistan in USA** **January 2015 - May 2015**

Has the honor of being selected for a semester long cultural exchange program sponsored by IREX (International Research and Exchanges Board) for USA and served as Cultural Ambassador of Pakistan.

**Deputy Speaker Youth Parliament Pakistan - YPP** **October 2015 – Present**

Elected and worked as a moderator during 7<sup>th</sup> YPP of PILDAT and was selected for a study trip to Parliament of Denmark and United Kingdom due to exceptional performance.

**International Essay Competition Winner** **September 2017 and 2018**

Twice availed a one week fully funded study tour to Azerbaijan on account of winning the International Essay competition 2017 and 2018 titled “What do I know about Azerbaijan?” organized by Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

## **Publication**

Research Paper on “**Party Politics, Sustainable Development and Political Engagement of Youth in the Global North and South**” accepted and presented in “**The Second International Conference on Political Parties and Good Governance 2019**” at Fudan University, Shanghai, China.

## Qaiser NAWAB's Brief Profile

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Engr. Qaiser Nawab, a UN's SDGs Advocate, Socio-Political, Human Rights and Youth Activist belong from District Karak, Khyber Pakhtunkhawa, Pakistan. He was born on November 01, 1991. He received his early education from Fauji Foundation Model School, Karak. He went to Government College Peshawar for his Intermediate Studies achieved merit scholarship. He received his BS degree in Electrical Power Engineering from COMSATS University, Islamabad, Abbottabad campus on Taleem Fund scholarship and Master in Project Management degree from Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology, Islamabad. He is currently serving as Manager International Relations & SDGs at Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS) HQ, Islamabad.

He has successfully completed a short course on **"Leadership for Engineers and Technical Managers"** in January 2014 from Pakistan Engineering Council Islamabad. He was selected as the **Cultural Ambassador of Pakistan in U.S.** and attended Saginaw Valley State University, Michigan with special focus on American History, Public Speaking, Youth Leadership and International Relations. He represented his Culture in more than 15 states of USA and gained exposure to the diversity of US culture. He attended and represented Pakistan in various International Youth Conferences including International Youth Leadership Conference UAE. He represented his country in the Poetic Heart: **"Connecting Humanity 2013"** at Dubai Knowledge Village, UAE. He is an active member of National Peace Committee for Interfaith Harmony Government of Pakistan since 2013. He contributed a lot to promote peace in his area.

Mr Nawab participated in more than 35 National/International Television talk shows and has hosted more than 20 live Radio programmes and has been highlighted in many National/International Newspapers/Magazines. He got admission on scholarship in a course on "Regenerative Leadership" in UPACE Centre for Executive Education, University for Peace, Costa Rica, USA. He participated in the **"Preparing Global Leaders' Summit (PGLS) 2015"** in Moscow, Russia.

He is passionate about serving the society and has also rendered outstanding services at a national and international level in the arena of social work to promote global peace and harmony. He is a keen social worker and as a philanthropist, he nurtures a set of ideals that keep him focused on his social responsibilities. He established a youth led NGO **"THE" Society - Together for Health and Education** in 2014 with the principle goal of supporting and dealing with the marginalized individuals and groups i.e. Transgender, Persons with Disabilities and Minorities and so on in Pakistan and Afghanistan. He is the first youth activist who has stood up for the rights of Transgender community in the Taliban war affected Province of Pakistan i.e. Khyber Pukhtoonkhawa. Due to his untiring efforts, Provincial Govt. of Khyber Pukhtoonkhawa has announced and approved special fund of Rs. 200 million for the welfare of Transgender community in Khyber Pukhtoonkhawa in 2016. He as a Civil Society member contributed in the Transgender Rights Bill consultation along the member of the Senate and Federal Ombudsman of Pakistan.

He has always held philanthropic work very close to his heart. He is an active **National as well as International UN Volunteer**. He is an **Education Youth Ambassador Pakistan**. He is the **member of Asia Democracy Network, Seoul Korea and Beyond 2015**, which is an international campaign aiming to influence the creation of a post 2015 Global Development Framework.

On account of his valuable social services, contribution to society, leadership skills, he has been awarded thrice “**UN Youth Icon Award 2015,2016 and 2017**” (Pakistan) on behalf of United Nation on August 12, 2015, 2016 and 2017, (**UN International Youth Day**). He was awarded “**Youth Achiever Award 2016**”. He participated in the “**MERIT360**” conference on UN’s SDGs held on 27th August to 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016, in United Nation HQ, New York. He has also been affiliated with various renowned think thanks of the country and has successfully completed 10 days summer school at Strategic Studies Institute, Islamabad about “Pakistan’s Foreign and Security Policy”.

Engr. Qaiser Nawab made a history by being elected as the first ever male **Deputy Speaker of the Youth Parliament Pakistan** from the Opposition party. On the basis of his performance, he was selected by Pakistan Institute of Legislative Development and Transparency –PILDAT as a delegation member of a study tour to UK and Denmark in 2015. Mr Nawab believes his upbringing has always been geared towards understanding the political system of the country. He has been an avid reader of Pakistan’s history and politics, elections and the process of electioneering and has the experience of canvassing for votes in the rural constituency of Karak, KP, Pakistan. He has been able to test his theoretical and practical knowledge of politics at Youth Parliament Pakistan.

He has been granted the distinction of “**Associate Fellow**” of **The Royal Commonwealth Society, UK** for commitment to promoting the values of the Commonwealth and working to improve the lives and prospects of the Commonwealth citizens. In appreciation to tackling UN’s SDGs, he has also been awarded “**UK Youth Award 2016**” in The House of Lord, London UK in April 2016. In 2016, he was selected for World Youth Conference in Delhi, India, whose theme was “Youth for Sustainable Development”. He participated in “**The One Young World Summit 2016**” in Ottawa, Canada. He successfully organized various International seminars and awareness walks to celebrate the United Nation’s International days in Pakistan. He organized an International Seminar on “Peace, Trust Building and Sustainable Development in 2016”. He participated in a three days **World Youth Summit for Peace 2016, in Islamabad**.

In 2017, he attended the **International Youth Forum on Human Rights and UN’s Sustainable Development Goals in Nepal** as Speaker. He participated in the first **United Nations World Data Forum from 15th to 18th January 2017**, in Cape Town, South Africa whose objective was to provide a platform for technical discussion of opportunities and challenges in applying information, data and statistics, to measure global progress of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

In February 2017, he attended the **World Innovation Summit for Education –WISE in Madrid, Spain** to discuss and debate the future of education. In March 2017, he being a young international expert on higher education had a study visit of Europe that included the visit to Spain, Switzerland, Belgium, Netherland, Luxembourg, Germany, France and UK. During this visit, he represented Pakistan at a one-day event on “Glass Ceiling Effect” at Palais des Nations, Geneva, where he spoke on the “**Role of youth and civil society in overcoming the Glass Ceiling Effect in Pakistan**”. The glass ceiling is the invisible barrier that prevents women from rising to the highest ranks when pursuing a career. Further, Mr Nawab visited the **European Parliament** in Brussels to observe its working system. He had a short trip to Amsterdam in Netherland and Paris in France. He visited and participated in the Youth Empowerment Event at Girona University in Spain as well.

Mr Nawab participated in a one day conference of The Commonwealth Youth Program titled **#IAmAble** in Marlborough House London. He highlighted “THE” Society’s efforts towards the

empowerment of the special persons academically and professionally to attain good career opportunities in future. Engr. Nawab introduced “THE” Society during his meeting with the Commonwealth Secretary – General, Rt Hon Patricia Scotland QC in London. She gets impressed by the achievements of “THE” Society and showed her great interest to act collaboratively and working together to reap benefits for the commonwealth.

Mr Nawab availed one week fully funded study tour of Azerbaijan on account of winning an International Essay competition 2017 and 2018 titled “**What do I know about Azerbaijan?**” The competition was organized by the Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Azerbaijan. On his way, he had a short trip to the capital of Qatar, Doha, where he met with the leaders of Pakistani community working and residing there for many decades.

In April 2018, he represented Pakistan in the **Commonwealth Youth Forum (CYF)** as a part of the **Commonwealth Head of Government Meeting (CHOGM) 2018**, in London. It aims to promote cross-cultural connections and to achieve consensus among youth leaders on the policies required to address the challenges and opportunities facing young people. He had an opportunity to meet with the members of the British Royal family Prince Harry (Duke of Sussex), Megan and Prince William (Duke of Cambridge) and many other world-renowned influential persons i-e Bill Gates, British PM, Theresa May. He met with the PM of Jamaica H.E. Mr Andrew Holness and the Youth Minister of Jamaica, discussed the possible youth engagement between Pakistan and Jamaica including exchange programs which was highly appreciated by Prime Minister Holness.

Mr Nawab paid a courtesy visit to Carlton Primary School Dewsbury, England upon the invitation of the school’s administration to observe the primary education system in the UK. Addressing the school kids and staff, he emphasised that school play an important role in the human development ultimately leading to the development of society.

He was invited to İstanbul Şehir University as a speaker at a seminar on “**The Role of Youth in Promoting OIC values**” in May 2018. He had an excursion trip to famous touristic sites of Bursa and Istanbul in Turkey.

He participated as speaker on “Role of youth in attaining UN’s SDGs”, in the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development - **UNCTAD Youth Forum and World Investment Forum 2018**, scheduled from 22-26 October 2018 at Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland. The 2018 theme is **Youth Entrepreneurship: A Force Towards Inclusive and Sustainable Growth**. The 2018 UNCTAD Youth Forum will feature primarily topics that relate to youth empowerment across entrepreneurship, with a focus on investing in digital youth, youth at the negotiation table, what is on the mind of millennial and how youth can think globally and act locally.

Mr Nawab attended the **8th Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs in Stockholm**, Sweden, 6-8 November 2018. The IAEG-SDGs was established by the Statistical Commission at its 46th session to develop an indicator framework for the monitoring of the Goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development at the global level, and to support its implementation.

On account of his tremendous efforts, he has been awarded “**Commonwealth Youth Champion Fellowship 2019**” at “**Equality and Justice Forum for the Commonwealth Parliamentarians**” in Cape Town, South Africa. The forum brought together more than 3- parliamentary, government, civil society and youth champions from all four regions of the Commonwealth to engage in peer learning around the reform of discriminatory laws. Mr. Nawab honoured to share his achievements and contribution for the empowerment of Women and Transgender community with the high level delegates in the presence of the

Vice President of Kiribati, H.E Kourabi Nenem, and the former presidents of Mozambique and Botswana, Their Excellencies Festus Mogae & Joaquim Chissano.

Mr. Nawab was invited to the **ECOSOC Youth Forum 2019** as Speaker on “SDGs” held on 8-9 April 2019 at UN HQ New York.

Mr Nawab successfully completed a one month long **“Young Politicians’ Fellowship Program (YFPF) 2019”**, as a unique opportunity to understand Pakistan's policy making process and engage with multi-party leadership and young fellows from across the country in intellectual discourse. It is a prestigious programme of training and in-depth learning for young, active and passionate political party workers. The highly competitive fellowship programme was designed to provide a unique opportunity to selected young members, belonging to Pakistan’s political parties represented in the National Assembly, to tackle political challenges and opportunities and effectively contribute to policy reform. The fellowship, through high-level trainings and engagements facilitated the selected fellows to connect, exchange experiences, and receive academic, practitioner and policy training to enrich their knowledge of the field of politics. The YFPF aimed to expose young members of various politics parties to political knowledge and practices both within the parties and other political institutions through dialogues and interaction with some of the most knowledgeable and experienced subject-specialists in Pakistan.

Mr Nawab, presented his research paper titled **“Party Politics, Sustainable Development and Political Engagement of Youth in Global North and South”** in the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on “Political Party and Good Governance 2019” organised by Fudan University, Shanghai China.

In May 2019, he spoke as keynote Speaker in 3 different seminars titled **“Role of Youth in the Implementation of SDGs”** in Redco Tuition Academy Sumgaith, Baku Idea Lab and Azerbaijan Tourism and Management University - ATMU, Baku, Azerbaijan.

In Beijing China, he participated as a Speaker on the topic titled **"Forging Partnerships to promote Youth Entrepreneurship"** SDG 17 at the **“Asia-Africa Youth Entrepreneurship Forum”** held on 15-19 October 2019, organized by the Great Silk way International Youth Union Azerbaijan and All-China Youth Federation (ACYF).

In October 2019, he represented Pakistani youth at the **1<sup>st</sup> ever Non-Aligned Movement - NAM Youth Summit**, organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture of the Republic of Azerbaijan as a side-line event of the XVIII Non-Aligned Movement Summit on 25-26 October in Baku, Azerbaijan.

In November 2019, he participated as Speaker in the **9<sup>th</sup> World Science Forum (WSF)** took place in Budapest Hungary hosted by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences on 20-23 November. The World Science Forum is a forum on the social and economic relevance, influence and responsibilities of science and it is themed as Ethics and Responsibility. The forum brought together leading scientists, decision-makers from the world of politics, industry, representatives of the civil society and the media who expressed their views on the new challenges facing science in the 21st century.

Engr. Qaiser Nawab’s is an avid supporter of democracy and democratic institutions believing that most of the problems faced by Pakistani society are political and it is democracy that facilitates the people towards empowerment. In his opinion democracy is a way of life that promotes tolerance, peace, and justice in a

society. He wishes to contribute positively in the promotion of a truly democratic culture in Pakistan. He is indeed an asset for the nation and serving as a **Chairman** of the “**National Youth Parliament Pakistan**” & **Founder - President** of “**Pakistan-Azerbaijan Alumni Association**”.

Engr. Qaiser Nawab’s work has been endorsed by various global leaders including notable Young Noble laureate **Malala Yousafzai**.

