NED Alumni Association of New England, USA

Convention 2008

Farmington Marriott, CT

November 1, 2008

PROGRAM

Morning & Afternoon Program:
Location: East Wing

9:30a.m. – 10:30a.m.	Registration / Reception
10:30a.m. – 10:45a.m.	Welcome / Introductions: *Abul Islam/Aslam Siddiqui*
10:45a.m. – 12:15p.m.	*Moderator: Rashid Ali Baig* Panel Discussion I Topic: *Declining academic standards of NED resulting in Higher Education Commission downgrading NED's rating to 10th position amongst other institutions of Pakistan*. Panelists: Prof. Sahibzada Farooq, Dr. Shams, Zehra Karim, Arshad Rizvi, Nadeem Hussain, Javed Saeedi, Riazul Haq
12:15p.m. – 1:30p.m.	Lunch Break / Networking
1:30p.m. – 2:00p.m.	Keynote Speaker: *Dr. Faisal Manzoor Arain*, Topic "Brilliance in Education: Improving Professional Intellect" Guest Speaker: *Rustom Cowasjee*
2:00p.m. – 3:45p.m.	*Moderator: Abul Islam* Panel Discussion II Topic: *The state of engineering, technical and scientific education in Pakistan in the context of potentially emerging economies in the region. A question of quality vs. quantity or both?* Panelists: Mohammad Rashid Yousuf, Prof. S.H.Lodi, Akbar Ansari, Farooq Ansari, Amirul Islam, Safwan Shah
4:00p.m.	Closing Remarks

Evening Program & Banquet:
Location: Grand Ballroom

6:00p.m. – 7:00p.m.	Registration and Reception
7:00p.m. – 7:15p.m.	Opening by *TanveerMallick (MC)* and Welcome Note by *Abul Islam, President of NED Alumni Association of New England*
7:15p.m. – 7:25p.m.	*Ehtesham Siddiqui, President NED Alumni Association*
7:25p.m. – 7:45p.m.	Recognition and Presentation of Awards
7:45p.m. – 8:15p.m.	Guest Speaker Speech by *Honorable Husain Haqqani, Ambassador of Pakistan to US.*
8:15p.m. – 9:30p.m.	Dinner / Networking / Prayer Break
9:30p.m. – 12:00a.m.	Fashion Show by *Ghazala Asam*, Entertainment & Music Program by *Ayaz Khan* & *Jenice Miller*