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Iqbal Forum is a specialized think tank for improving Iran-Pakistan relations in all available fields, with the maximum participation of the most prominent politicians, diplomats, researchers, scholars, university professors, community experts, businessmen/women, entrepreneurs, artists, athletes and students from both countries working to ensure that Iran-Pakistan relations grow and improve in all areas.



The background of the slide is a close-up, slightly blurred image of the flag of the Islamic Republic of Iran. The flag features three horizontal stripes of green, white, and red, with a black Kufic script border at the top and bottom. In the center of the white stripe is a red emblem consisting of a stylized sword and a crescent moon.

The Forum is a completely private, impartial, non-partisan and non-profit organization headquartered in Tehran, the capital of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and with an office in Islamabad, the capital of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Iqbal Forum, by learning and modeling from many public and private organizations around the world, think tanks and policy-making organizations, as well as universities and research institutes, has chosen a combination of the best practices of each as its operational model.

It believes in and is committed to the precise and integrated implementation of its activities.

It intends to become the most prestigious, independent and specialized think tank among the elites and decision makers of the two countries and hopes to successfully play a constructive role in its lofty objective as a larger platform for other countries in the Islamic world.







### **Vision:**

**Establishment of a comprehensive and effective platform between Iran and Pakistan in order to promote and improve ties between the two countries in all fields**

Reasons for requiring the establishment of a specialized think tank for Iran and Pakistan:

Considering more than 900 km borderlines between the two countries, the countless cultural and religious affinities between the peoples of the two countries as well as the geopolitical and geo-strategic conditions of both countries in the midst of the crisis of East and West and Arab and non-Arab, as well as increasing extremism and segregation of people according to their religion and belief in the region, demand that a fundamental activity be initiated regarding the relationship between the two countries.

An examination of the activities carried out to date regarding the relations between the two countries reveals that these relations are defined in two main channels:

- 1) Official and diplomatic channel**
- 2) Religious channel**

As is clear from the evidence of these communications, these two channels, due to their nature, pay attention to only a certain part of the communication processes and are far from the necessary comprehensiveness of the communications between the two countries.

The establishment of this forum can act as a third channel and in addition to the optimal use of the capacities and results of the first and second channels, it can also use the capacities of other sectors and act as a communication platform between Iran and Pakistan, and play a significant role.

Neighboring countries and civilizations usually give nations a better and deeper understanding of each other, but like many laws, there are exceptions. Unfortunately, knowledge of the two countries from each other, both at the level of government decision-makers and at the level of ordinary people, is one of the exceptions to this law.





Iqbal Forum tries to create a true, accurate and deeper understanding between both levels of decision-making authorities and the ordinary people of both countries, and this true and deep knowledge eliminates many misunderstandings and as a result paves the way to take much larger steps.

Of course, it is necessary to pay attention to this very delicate and at the same time vital issue that only this deep and accurate knowledge can be created in the two countries if the founders of this center have reached this precise and deep knowledge in the space of both countries.

## Committees in Iqbal Forum:



### Industrial Committee:

Drawing an industrial roadmap between the artisans of the two countries and establishing an effective relationship between industries of both countries.



### Tourism Committee:

Mapping the tourism roadmap between the public and private sectors of the two countries and establishing effective communication between companies providing travel services.



### Technology Committee:

Mapping the roadmap for technological cooperation between the public and private sectors of both countries and establishing effective communication between startups in the two countries.



### Military Committee:

Drawing the Roadmap for Cooperation and Military Relations between the Governments of the Two Countries and reducing negative security misunderstandings and conflicts in this area.



### Energy Committee:

Drawing a roadmap for fulfilling the energy demands especially gas, oil, LPG, petrochemical products, electricity, thermal power plants and renewable energy with the support of public and private sectors of the two countries.



### Health Committee:

Drawing a roadmap for long-term cooperation in health and medicine between the two countries and using the capacities of powerful companies in Iran and Pakistan in this vital area.

**The ultimate objective of each of these specialized committees will be to create an operational and effective platform to expand cooperation between the public and private sectors of both countries.**



### **short-term and medium-term Objectives of Iqbal Forum:**

- 1) Launching a dynamic and active bilingual website (Persian and Urdu) and turning it into a reference for analysis and specialized articles on issues between the two countries.
- 2) Launching and trying to reference the pages of Iqbal Forum in cyberspace as the main source of communication between the two countries.
- 3) Utilizing the media capacity of both countries in improving relations between the two countries and avoiding any divisiveness and enmity between Iran & Pakistan.
- 4) Formation of specialized committees in the think tank in order to better advance the objectives of the Forum.
- 5) Establishing dynamic and effective relations and concluding cooperation agreements with research, cultural and political centers of both countries and making optimal use of their capacities and creating convergence in activities between the two countries.
- 6) Creating the necessary incentives for the maximum participation of the young and educated forces of both countries and the optimal use of their capacities and creating convergence in the activities between Iran & Pakistan.
- 7) Maximum partnership with universities in both countries in order to establish better communication .
- 8) Launching the official publication of Iqbal Forum and turning it into a specialized journal of communication between the two countries.
- 9) Holding monthly, quarterly and annual specialized conferences and seminars for the Forum and specialized committees under its auspices.
- 10) Orienting the politicians and governments of the two countries by using field and realistic research and studies in order to better and more deeply understand each other's issues and taking this research into account when making decisions and finally developing a comprehensive roadmap for cooperation in different areas.



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