



Polycrisis in Afghanistan: Education and Diaspora Responses

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Program

All times in CEST

08:30 Welcome coffee and registration KG 5/103

09:00 Welcoming Remarks: Working Group Afghanistan

09:15 “Education for Women Became Again an Emergency”

Dr. Sima Samar

10:15 Coffee Break

10:30 “Can a Society Survive Without Higher Education in the 21st Century?” *Dr. Abas Basir*

11:15 “HER Initiative - Leveraging Digital Tools to Bridge the Education Gap for Female Students from Afghanistan”

Florian Gorqaj & Mahdi Zaki

12:15 Lunch @ Lindenmatte

13:30 Poster Walk & Meet the organizations .

Studies

- Exploring Civic Engagement among Afghan Diaspora in Germany: The Opportunities and Challenges, *Athayi*
- Mental Health of male Afghan migrants in Germany, *Ferdawis*
- One year study program for female students in Afghanistan, *Bakhtar Institute*
- The Role of Civil Societies in Integrating Newly Arrived Afghans, *Hussain*
- Exploring cooperation offers for refugee academics from Afghanistan in Germany: needs, opportunities and recommendations, *Zaki et al.*
- Highly Motivated, Transnational, Heterogeneous, and Barely Interconnected: The German-Afghan engagement in 2016. What can we learn? *Harsch, Bittlingmayer*

Organizations

- Working Group Afghanistan: 10 years
- Anar Academy
- Sahar: One small act has an everlasting impact
- SAIH organization
- VAFO: Verband Afghanischer Organisationen in Deutschland e.V.



14:00 Workshops

A: Digital Education for Women in Afghanistan: Opportunities, Challenges and Solutions

- Facilitators: *Gorqaj, Mahdi, Akbari*
- Location at UoEF: KG5, 103
- Online: Zoom Meeting ID: 675 0449 9121

B: The Afghan Diaspora in Germany: Characteristics, Engagement, and Possibilities

- Facilitators: *Zaki, Harsch, Athayi, Hussain*
- Location at UoEF: KG4, 222
- Online: Zoom Meeting ID: 638 9171 1655

C: Climate Change and its devastating impact on Afghanistan

- Facilitator: *Jawid*
- Location at UoEF: KG4, 109
- Online Zoom Meeting ID: 648 0254 7958, Code: 264697

15:10 Plenary: Present Initiatives and Discuss the Way Forward

- VAFO: Paaksima
- others..

16:30 Tea and Informal Conversations

Target group	Afghans and researchers, lecturers, students, activists, anyone interested in Afghanistan
Fees	Free of charge
Location	University of Education Freiburg Kunzenweg 21, 79117 Freiburg KG 5 / 103 and online
Organizers	Working Group Afghanistan by Prof. Dr. Uwe H. Bittlingmayer
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