

Shehri-Citizens for a Better Environment (Shehri-CBE)

Shehri-Citizens for a Better Environment was formed in 1988 (based in Karachi City), as a non-political, non-commercial, non-governmental organization (under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860) by a group of concerned citizens to provide the citizens with a platform to effectively voice their concerns in determining their future and taking action in arresting the deterioration in their living environment and propose reform with a view to improve the same. Shehri-Citizens for a Better Environment is now fighting at the forefront of various issues of public concern related to the environment. The organization is actively engaged in areas of work like public advocacy and public interest litigation, land use management, right to information, good governance, community policing, police reforms, urban mobility, climate change and last but not the least institutional reforms.

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Focus Group Discussion

“Forging a Community for Green Living: Future of Green Architecture in Pakistan”

Organized by

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Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture (IVSAA)

Tuesday, November 14, (3:00 pm)

Lecture Hall #1, IVSAA, Karachi

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FORGING A COMMUNITY FOR GREEN LIVING - FUTURE OF GREEN ARCHITECTURE IN PAKISTAN

Programme

Time	Activity
2:45 -3:00 pm	Registration of Participants
3:00 – 3:10 pm	Welcome Address <i>Amber Alibhai, General Secretary, Shehri-CBE</i>
3:10 – 3:30 pm	Project Introduction – Theme and Engagement Plan <i>Farhan Anwar, Project Manager – Wajeeha Farooqi, Project Coordinator</i>
3:30 – 5:15 pm	Discussion, Brainstorming!
5:15 – 5:30 pm	Final Summation
Refreshments	

It has become quite evident now that the most potent and existential challenge facing humanity as a whole is climate change. For humankind to have any hope for stabilizing our planet, we need a radical shift in our lifestyles. That process is already ongoing and the *green economy* has arrived, and is growing. Unfortunately, there is limited movement in that direction in our country.

Shehri-CBE, in collaboration with the **Friedrich Naumann Foundation**, has decided to address this challenge and has initiated a project - **Forging a Community for Green Living** – where consultative sessions are being held in the province of Sindh with key formal and non-formal stakeholders on reviewing the present situation and charting collaborative pathways for promoting climate friendly green lifestyles. The main and concluding gathering would be a *Day Long Consultative Session*, focused on brainstorming on an enabling policy and institutional frameworks that can facilitate climate friendly lifestyles and also for promoting people and organizations working in the green economy. **Knowledge products** will also be prepared in the form of published content that may include, thematic car stickers, knowledge brochures and cataloguing of people and organizations involved in producing green products and services.

As part of the consultative process, a **Focus Group Discussion (FGD)** will be held in collaboration with the **Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture (IVSAA)** on **Tuesday, November 14, (3 pm – 5:30 pm) at Lecture Hall #1, IVSAA**, where selected architects, engineers, planners, organizations working with green design and building products would gather to brainstorm on a number of themes related with reviewing the **future of green architecture in Pakistan** that may include:

- What are the roadblocks! – Technology cost? Lack of Human Resource? Lack of an enabling legal space? Weak market?
- Can we find a large footprint for sustainable building material use?
- Green building standards are here! But only on paper? Or is there any movement on ground?
- What are the opportunities! – A global shift towards green living that we can leverage? A new industrial base that can get established? New jobs and new businesses?
- What role academia can play? What role professional bodies like IAP, PCATP, PEC can play? Role of government? Can Donor agencies and External Support organizations chip in?

These and many more questions, ideas, suggestions, recommendations that you all can bring to the table will get discussed!

You are invited to provide your valuable input.