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 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.

<u>Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom (FNF):</u>

Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom (FNF) has been working for a peaceful and progressive Pakistan since 1986. FNF promotes a social and political environment where **every individual** can become the pilot of their lives!

The Foundation was established in Germany in 1958. It aims to promote the goal of making the principle of freedom valid for the dignity of all people and in all areas of society, both in Germany and abroad

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Workshop

"Forging a Community for Green Living: Challenges & Opportunities for Green Enterprises"

Organized by
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Wednesday, 8th November 2023 (2:45 pm) Marriott Hotel, Karachi

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Programme

Time	Activity
2:45 -3:00 pm	Registration of Participants
3:00 – 3:10 pm	Welcome Address Amber Alibhai, General Secretary, Shehri-CBE
3:10 – 3:30 pm	Participants Introduction
3:30 – 3:50 pm	Project Introduction - Theme and Engagement Plan Farhan Anwar, Project Manager - Wajeeha Farooqi, Project Coordinator
3:50 – 4:50 pm	Working Group Session - (Challenges and Opportunities)
4:50 – 5:20 pm	Working Group Presentations to the Plenary
5:20 – 6:00 pm	Moderated Discussion
Refreshments	

Forging a Community for Green Living: Challenges and Opportunities for Green Enterprises

It has become quite evident now that the most potent challenge facing humanity as a whole that also poses as an existential challenge 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, becoming the fastest growing economic model in the world now. 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 will be 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. Focus Group Discussion (FGD) to be held with relevant stakeholders to document their level of awareness and suggestions in six major cities of Sindh province in addition to a series of half day consultations with stakeholders that include relevant government institutions, civil society organizations, selected private sector groups, start-ups and entrepreneurs that are dealing in green living products and youth and academia 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 session will be held on **Wednesday**, **November 08**, **2023 (3 pm to 6 pm)** at **Hotel Marriott**, **Karachi**, where the project team and other expert facilitators will engage with selected enterprises dealing in green products and services to understand and document challenges and opportunities and recommendations for expanding the footprint of green lifestyles in the country.

You are invited to provide your valuable input