

HSDNI AT TMU PRESENTS: HSDNI'S 9TH SUSTAINABILITY COLLABORATIVE CONFERENCE-2025

Day-1: Session-1 (Social Inequality and Discrimination)

13Th May 2025 at DCC Building 7th Floor in Toronto Metropolitan University, 288 Church St, Toronto

<i>Time</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Role</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Affiliation</i>
9.30 AM			Registration and breakfast	
10.00 AM	Video play		Land acknowledgement	HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=VOXYSM-KNRC
10.10 AM	Dr. Nancy Walton	Opening Speaker	Opening the conference for the day	Associate Dean, Student Affairs, Graduate Studies, Toronto Metropolitan University
10.25 AM	Dr. Nasima Akter	Welcome Speaker on behalf of HSDNI	Welcome guests and introducing HSDNI and future expectations of the collaboration and cooperation	Executive Director Of Bangladesh-Canadian Community Services (BCS), Chair, HSDNI
10.35 AM	Dr. Shafi Bhuiyan	Session Chair	Chair's Opening Remarks and Introduction of the Speakers	Associate Professor and SBS Program Coordinator, University of Memphis, TN, USA
10.45 AM	Dr. Helal Hossain Dhali	Keynote speaker	Diasporas and the Rise of Right-Wing Extremism: The Role of Decolonial Education in Countering This Threat	Postdoctoral Fellow, UQAM, University Faculty (McGill University and Bishop's University in Canada, and Dhaka University in Bangladesh)
11.10 AM	<i>Break (10 minutes)</i>			
11:10 AM	Qazi Shafayet Islam	Speaker	Awareness and Attitudes towards racism and discrimination within Bangladeshi, Nepalese, Iranian, and Nigerian communities in Toronto	Coordinator, Research and Programs at Bangladeshi-Canadian Community Services
11:25 AM	Jannatul Islam & Umme Tasneem Hyder	Speaker	Education and Allyship to combat racism and discrimination	PhD Student, EnSciMan, Toronto Metropolitan University, Executive Director, HSDNI and EAP Equity and Event Coordinator Umme Tasneem Hyder, MSc, EnSciMan, Toronto Metropolitan University and EAP Ambassador
11:40	DR. Mahbub Hasan Urbi Khan & Anuva Hasan	Speaker	Advancing Racial Injustice Through Youth Leadership and Community Engagement - Insights From the Together End Racism Toronto Campaign	Dr. Mahbub Hasan, Social Worker, Educator, and Professor, Centennial College and Toronto Metropolitan University. Urbi Khan, Investigative Journalist and Community Worker Anuva Hasan, Bachelor of Social Work program at York University

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11:55	Anchal Bhatia	Speaker	Addressing Racism Against South Asians in Ontario: Legal Support and Community Empowerment. Understanding Canadian policies to combat racism and discrimination	Lawyer at SALCO
12:20	Priscilla Miuccio	Speaker	Bridging Barriers: Addressing Healthcare Access And Vaccine Hesitancy Among Spanish-Speaking Seniors In North York	Program Coordinator, The Centre For Spanish Speaking Peoples
12:40 PM-1.00 PM	Q & A, Chair's closing remarks, and handing over the souvenir to the speakers as a token of appreciation.			
	Lunch Break			

Day-1: Session-2 (Good Governance)

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1:20 PM	Neethan Shan	Chair	Chair's Opening Remarks and Introduction of the Speakers	TDSB Chair & Trustee And Former Councillor, City of Toronto
1:50 PM	Dr. Fahim Quadir	Keynote speaker	Deconstructing the Myths of Good Governance: The West's Civilizing Mission and the Imperative of Linking Democracy with Social Development	Vice-Provost And Dean, Graduate Studies And Postdoctoral Affairs, Queen's University
2:10 PM	Akm Khairul	Speaker	The Bad Governance and Cronies in the Bangladesh State: The Political Economy of Neo-Patrimonial Plunder	Faculty member, Pilon School of Business at Sheridan College.
2:30 PM	Dr. Mahatab Uddin	Speaker	Protecting Farm Data under Intellectual Property Law	Adjunct Faculty-CDE, School of Environmental Design and Rural Development, University Of Guelph
2:45	Dr. Reddi Sekhara Yalamala	Speaker	Leveraging Participatory and Collaborative Governance in the Renewable Energy Partnerships with Indigenous Communities, Canada	Former Mitacs Postdoctoral Fellow
		Closing for the Day		

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Day-2: Session-1 (Public Health)

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9.30 AM	Arrival and morning refreshment			
9.45 AM	Video play		Land Acknowledgement	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=voXySM-knRc
9.50 AM	Dr. Andrew Laursen	Opening speaker	Opening the conference for the day	Graduate Program Director, Environmental Applied Science and Management, Toronto Metropolitan University
10:00 AM	Dr. Akm Alamgir	Session opening	Welcomes guests, requests Cliff to Chair, and introduces Courtney to facilitate the session	Director of Knowledge & Learning at Access Alliance (Toronto), and Adjunct Professor, Faculty of LAPS at York University
10:05 AM	Cliff Ledwos	Chair	Opening Remarks	Acting Executive Director at Access Alliance Multicultural Health and Community Services
10:15 AM	Natasha Beaudin	Keynote speaker	Health Equity Focused Social Prescribing	Social Prescribing Project Lead at Alliance for Healthier Communities
10:30 AM	<i>Panellists:</i> Dr. Sander Hitzig Dr. Basak Yanar Dr. Rosanra Yoon Dr. Akm Alamgir	Panel Discussion	<p>Topic: Social Prescribing as Public Health in Community setting / CHC focus</p> <p>Dr. Sander Hitzig, Assistant Professor, Indigenous Health and Nutrition at Toronto Metropolitan University.</p> <p>Dr. Basak Yanar, Scientist & Assistant Professor, Division of Social and Behavioural Health Science, University of Toronto</p> <p>Dr. Rosanra Yoon, Assistant Professor, Daphne Cockwell School Of Nursing, Faculty Of Community Services, Toronto Metropolitan University</p> <p>Dr. Alamgir, Director of Knowledge & Learning at Access Alliance (Toronto), and Adjunct Professor, Faculty of LAPS at York University</p>	

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11:00 AM	Dr. Jay Shaw	Keynote speaker	Role and Contribution of Access Alliance in Community Development		Tier 2 Canada Research Chair and Assistant Professor, Department of Physical Therapy at the University of Toronto
11:15 AM	Access Alliance Presentations	Dominika Kawecka Dr. Mandanan Vahabi	Research impact report Compounded effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on immigrants and refugees living with cancer, and mental health and addiction disorders		Dominika Kawecka is a Master of Social Work Student at York University. Mandana Vahabi is a professor at Daphne Cockwell School of Nursing and co-director of the Centre for Global Health and Health Equity.
	Break (10 Minutes)				
12:00 PM	Indrani Paul		Speaker	Paternal Mental Health In Canada: The Overlooked Crisis In The Perinatal Period	Clinical Researcher And Msc Student In Experimental Medicine At Mcgill University
12:15 PM	Yamini Bhatt		Speaker	Mediterranean Lifestyle For South Asian Women: Acceptability & Challenges	Phd Student, Urban Health At Toronto Metropolitan University
12:30 PM	Anoushka Anoushka			Cultural Competence Among Healthcare Workers Providing Intervention Care To South Asian Immigrant Women In the Postnatal Period: A Rapid Review	Nursing Student, Toronto Metropolitan University
12:45 PM	Q & A, Chair’s closing remarks, and handing over the souvenir to the speakers as a token of appreciation.				
1:00 PM	Lunch break and social				
<i>Poster presentation:</i> Isaac Verberk Mensah - Implications Of Urban Heat Island On Health Outcomes Among Urban Residents In Kumasi – Assistant Lecturer At St. Ambrose College Of Education, Dormaa Akwamu, Ghana					

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Day-2: Session-2 (Food Insecurity)

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1.45 PM	DIANE DYSON	Chair	Chair's Opening Remarks and Introduction of the Speakers	Researcher & Public Policy Advocate
1.55 PM	DR. MUSTAFA KOC	Keynote speaker	Political uses of access to food	Professor Emeritus, Department Of Sociology And Director, Centre For Studies In Food Security, Toronto Metropolitan University
2.20 PM	Dr. Chethika Gunasiri	Speaker	Leveraging Urban Agriculture to Address Food Insecurity Among Urban Poor Communities: A Case Study from Colombo, Sri Lanka	Institute for Future Initiatives (IFI), University of Tokyo, Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo
2.35 PM	Dr. Amanda Wedge	Speaker	Technology for Food Justice: A web-based and mobile application for food bank users and food bank operators.	President, Scarborough Food Network, Manager of the Social Innovation Research Centre at Centennial College
2.50 PM	Dr. Sara Edge	Panel Speaker		Arrell Chair in Food, Policy & Society, and Associate Professor in the Department of Geography, Environment & Geomatics at the University of Guelph
3.00 PM	Dr. Sutama Ghosh	Panel Speaker		Associate Professor in the Department Of Geography and Environmental Studies, Toronto Metropolitan University
3.10 PM	Q & A, Chair's closing remarks, and handing over the souvenir to the speakers as a token of appreciation.			
3.20 PM	Volunteer appreciation/certificate			