

Commentary PAO's 11th International Orthodontic Conference 2025: Advancing Knowledge, Shaping the Future

The 11th International Orthodontic Conference of the Pakistan Association of Orthodontists (PAO), held in 2025 at Islamabad, marked a significant milestone in the academic and professional journey of orthodontics in Pakistan. The two-day scientific event brought together a vibrant community of national and international orthodontists, educators, postgraduate trainees, and researchers, reaffirming PAO's role as a leading platform for scholarly exchange, clinical innovation, and professional development.

Organized under the patronage of Prof. Dr. Ambreen Ehsan Afzal, Vice President CPSP, the conference reflected a strong commitment to academic excellence and postgraduate training. The formal inauguration was under taken by the Chief Guest, Prof. Dr. Shoaib Shafi (CPSP), In his address, he emphasized PAO's consistent efforts in fostering a culture of research, collaboration, and global engagement within the specialty.

The success of the conference was largely driven by the visionary leadership and tireless efforts of the PAO executive body. Prof. Dr. Saad Asad (President, PAO), along with Prof. Dr. Saqib Naem (Vice President), Prof. Dr. Amra Minhas (General Secretary), and Dr. Asad ur Rehman. Their collective dedication enabled the delivery of 14 CME credit hours, featuring a carefully curated blend of lectures, discussions, and interactive sessions.

The scientific proceedings showcased cutting-edge research, contemporary treatment philosophies, and practical clinical insights relevant to modern orthodontic practice. International and national speakers addressed emerging trends, interdisciplinary approaches, and evidence-based solutions to everyday clinical challenges.

In conclusion, the PAO's 11th International Orthodontic Conference 2025 stands as a testament to the Association's unwavering dedication to advancing orthodontic education and practice in Pakistan. By promoting research, innovation, and global perspectives, PAO continues to shape a progressive future for the specialty. The conference not only celebrated academic excellence but also reinforced a shared vision of growth, quality, and leadership in orthodontics.

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