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Distinguished Speaker Series

TOWARDS A SOUTH ASIAN ECONOMIC UNION

Speaker:

Dr. Ishrat Husain

**Dean & Director, Institute of Business Administration, Karachi and
Former Governor, State Bank of Pakistan**

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Prof. Talat Ahmad

**Vice Chancellor
Jamia Millia Islamia**

on

Thursday, 11th September 2014 at 2:30 p.m

at

**Tagore Hall, Dayar-e Mir Taqi Mir
Administrative Block, Jamia Millia Islamia
Adjacent to the Vice Chancellor's Office**

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Dr. Ishrat Husain, a former civil servant of Pakistan joined the World Bank in 1979. He was promoted as Chief Economist for Africa in 1991 and later as Chief Economist for East Asia and the Pacific Region. He became the Bank's Director for Poverty and Social Department and in 1997 was named the Country Director for Central Asian Republics. He was appointed the Governor of Pakistan's State Bank in December 1999. During the next six years, he implemented a major programme of restructuring of the State Bank and steered the reforms of the banking sector. As a member of the economic management team of the Government, he played a key role in the impressive economic turnaround of Pakistan. In recognition of his meritorious services he was conferred the prestigious award of "Hilal-e-Imtiaz" by the President of Pakistan in 2003. During 2005-06 he was appointed by the Board of IMF as a member of a three person panel to evaluate the IEO and was also a member of the Mahathir Commission 2020 vision for the Islamic Development Bank (IDB). He was appointed the Chairman, National Commission for Government Reforms in May 2006 with the status of a Federal Minister and held that position for two years reporting directly to the President and Prime Minister of Pakistan. In March 2008, he took over the charge of the office of the Dean & Director, Institute of Business Administration, Karachi – the oldest graduate business school in Asia. He is currently also a member of the Middle East Advisory Group of the IMF and the Regional Advisory Group of the UNDP. He is also the Chairman of the World Economic Forum Global Advisory Council on Pakistan. He has authored 12 books and monographs. His book *Pakistan: The Economy of an Elitist State* published by Oxford University Press in 1999 is a highly acclaimed book. He obtained a Master's degree in Development Economics from Williams College and Doctorate in Economics from Boston University in 1978. He is a graduate of the Executive Development programme jointly sponsored by Harvard, Stanford and INSEAD.