

The Salerno Conference
on
Bangladeshi English Novels: From Emergence to Efflorescence
24-25 June

Day 1: 24 June 2021

Inaugural Ceremony: 9.10 – 9.50 (Italian time), 13.10 – 13.50 (Bangladeshi time)

Guests:

Professor Carmine Pinto, Director of the Doctorate in Literary, Linguistic and Historical Studies, UNISA

Professor Virgilio D'Antonio, Delegate of the Rector, UNISA

Chairs:

Mariano Ciarletta, PhD Candidate, DIPSUMDILLS, UNISA (Italian)

Dr. Khan Touseef Osman, Convenor, The Salerno Conference (English)

Keynote Address: 10.00 – 10.50 (Italian time), 14.00 – 14.50 (Bangladeshi time)

Keynote Speaker: Professor Kaiser Haq, Department of English and Humanities, University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB)

Session Chair: Professor Niaz Zaman, Advisor, Department of English and Modern Languages, Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB)

Plenary Addresses: 11.00 – 11.50 (Italian time), 15.00 – 15.50 (Bangladeshi time)

Plenary Speaker 1: Professor Maswood Akhter, Department of English, University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh

Plenary Speaker 2: Professor Cara Cilano, Department of English, Michigan State University

Session Chair: Professor Mashrur Shahid Hossain, Department of English, Jahangirnagar University

Break: 12.00 – 13.00 (Italian time), 16.00 – 17.00 (Bangladeshi time)

Parallel Sessions: 13.00 – 14.00 (Italian time), 17.00 – 18.00 (Bangladeshi time)

<p>A: <u>Trauma and Representation</u></p> <p>Presenter 1: Abdul Wahid Dippro, Lecturer, English Department, Jashore University of Science and Technology, Bangladesh</p> <p>Presenter 2: Anika Saba, Senior Lecturer, Department of English and Humanities, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, BRAC University</p> <p>Presenter 3: Muhammad Nurul Islam, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP)</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Farzana Akhter, Chairperson & Associate Professor, Department of English, East West University</p>	<p>B: <u>Beyond the Nation</u></p> <p>Presenter 1: Sadia Afreen, Lecturer, Department of English, East West University, Bangladesh</p> <p>Presenter 2: Qazi Arka Rahman, Doctoral Student, Department of English, West Virginia University</p> <p>Presenter 3: Rakibul Hasan Khan, PhD Candidate, University of Otago, New Zealand</p> <p>Chair: Dr. M. Shafiqul Islam, Associate Professor, Department of English, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Bangladesh</p>
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Panel Discussion: 14.10 – 15.10 (Italian time), 18.10 – 19.10 (Bangladeshi time)

<p><u>Interrogating Bangladeshi English Novels</u></p> <p>Panellist 1: Professor Razia Sultana Khan, Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB)</p> <p>Panellist 2: Professor Kaiser Haq, Department of English and Humanities, University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB)</p> <p>Panellist 3: Professor Himadri Lahiri, Department of English, Netaji Subhas Open University, India</p> <p>Chair: Asif Iqbal, PhD Candidate, Michigan State University, USA</p>

Day 2: 25 June 2021

Keynote Address: 9.00 – 9.50 (Italian time), 13.00 – 13.50 (Bangladeshi time)

Keynote Speaker: Professor Fakrul Alam, **Bangabandhu** Sheikh Mujib Research Institute for Peace and Liberty, and UGC Professor, Department of English, University of Dhaka

Session Chair: Professor Shamsad Mortuza, VC (Acting), University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB)

Plenary Addresses: 10.00 – 10.50 (Italian time), 14.00 – 14.50 (Bangladeshi time)

Plenary Speaker 1: Professor Sabiha Huq, English Discipline, Khulna University

Plenary Speaker 2: Dr. Sarker Hasan Al Zayed, Associate Professor, Department of English and Humanities (DEH), University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB)

Session Chair: Professor Ahmed Ahsanuzzaman, Department of English and Modern Languages, Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB)

Parallel Sessions: 11.00 – 12.00 (Italian time), 15.00 – 16.00 (Bangladeshi time)

A: <u>The Space of the Nation</u>	B: <u>History, Identity and Adaptation</u>
Presenter 1: Hafiz Shahrear Faisal, Independent Researcher, Bangladesh	Presenter 1: Nishat Atiya, Lecturer, Department of English and Humanities, University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB)
Presenter 2: S. M. Mahfuzur Rahman, Lecturer, School of General Education, BRAC University	Presenter 2: Manmay Zafar, Associate Professor, Department of English, Jahangirnagar University
Presenter 3: Rajib Ahmed, Independent Researcher, Netherlands	Presenter 3: Dr. Shah Ahmed Ripon, Assistant Professor, Department of English, East Delta University, Bangladesh
Chair: Dr. M. Shafiqul Islam, Associate Professor, Department of English, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Bangladesh	Chair: Dr. Farzana Akhter, Head and Associate Professor, Department of English, East West University, Bangladesh

Break: 12.00 – 13.00 (Italian time), 16.00 – 17.00 (Bangladeshi time)

Panel Discussion: 13.10 – 14.10 (Italian time), 17.10 – 18.10 (Bangladeshi time)

Writing Bangladesh in Novels

Panellist 1: Saad Z. Hossain, Novelist

Panellist 2: Arif Anwar, Author

Panellist 3: Nadeem Zaman, Author

Chair: Ikhtisad Ahmed, Writer and Poet

Closing Ceremony: 14.20 – 15.00 (Italian time), 18.20 – 19.00 (Bangladeshi time)

Conference Observation and Future Perspective: Professor Lily Want, Former Dean, School of Arts, Languages & Literatures, and Former Head, Department of English, University of Kashmir

Vote of Thanks: Professor Stefan Heinz Maria Nienhaus, Supervisor, The Salerno Conference

Chair: Dr. Khan Touseef Osman, Convenor, The Salerno Conference