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Embassy of The Islamic Republic
of Pakistan
Brussels - Belgium

PAKISTAN'S AMBASSADOR TO THE EUROPEAN UNION, BELGIUM & LUXEMBOURG



H.E. Amna Baloch is Pakistan's Ambassador to the European Union, Belgium and Luxembourg.

Before joining as Pakistan's Ambassador to EU, Belgium & Luxembourg, HE Baloch was performing her duties as High Commissioner of Pakistan in Malaysia.

Ambassador Baloch received a master's degree in history and joined the Pakistan Foreign Service in 1991.

She has served on various important assignments at the Headquarters and missions abroad during her career including Consul General of Pakistan at Chengdu, China, Minister Counsellor at Colombo, Sri Lanka, Joint Secretary at the Prime Minister's Office and Additional Secretary in the Foreign Minister's office.

Ambassador Baloch is married and has two daughters.

PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS



Ambassador of Pakistan to Belgium, Luxembourg and EU H.E. Amna Baloch presented her credentials to the King of Belgium, His Majesty King Philippe.



Ambassador of Pakistan to Belgium, Luxembourg and EU H.E. Amna Baloch presented her credentials to the Grand Duke of Luxembourg.

During the interaction Ambassador shared greetings from leadership and reaffirmed commitment to further strengthen friendship between Pakistan & Luxembourg.

VISIT OF FOREIGN MINISTER TO BRUSSELS



The Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani visited Brussels from 27-28 November 2023, to participate in the International Conference on Global Alliance to Counter Migrant Smuggling.

At the Conference, the Foreign Minister noted the robust engagement between Pakistan and the European Union on migration and mobility and emphasized the need for legal pathways for migration to curb irregular migration and migrant smuggling.

The Foreign Minister's conversations with Mr. David McAllister, Ms. Heidi Hautala and Ms. Urpalinen focused on the importance of mutually beneficial cooperation in climate change, food security, green technologies, and artificial intelligence. Terming GSP Plus as a template for mutually beneficial economic cooperation, the Foreign Minister expressed the hope that the Scheme would continue to support developing economies without adding excessive conditionalities.

In a separate interaction of the Foreign Minister with a number of members of the European Parliament, strengthening dialogue and cooperation between Pakistan and the EU and expansion of parliamentary ex-changes and people-to-people engagement were discussed. Participating MEPs included: Ms. Rasa Juknevičienė, Mr. Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Ms. Anga Haga, Mr. Bernhard Zimniok, Mr. Tomas Zdechovsky, Mr. Herve Juvin and Belgian Senator Ms. Alessia Claes.



INDEPENDENCE DAY OF PAKISTAN OBSERVED AT THE EMBASSY OF PAKISTAN BRUSSELS



The Independence Day of Pakistan was commemorated in Brussels with traditional patriotic fervour in a graceful ceremony, held at the Embassy of Pakistan. Community members from different cities of Belgium participated in the event with full fervour.



SPECIAL EVENT TO MARK THE DEFENCE DAY OF PAKISTAN



A special event to mark Defence Day of Pakistan was organized at Press Club Brussels to laud the great sacrifices of the armed forces in the defence and security of Pakistan.

Launch of the book titled "The Security Imperative – Pakistan's Nuclear Deterrence and Diplomacy"

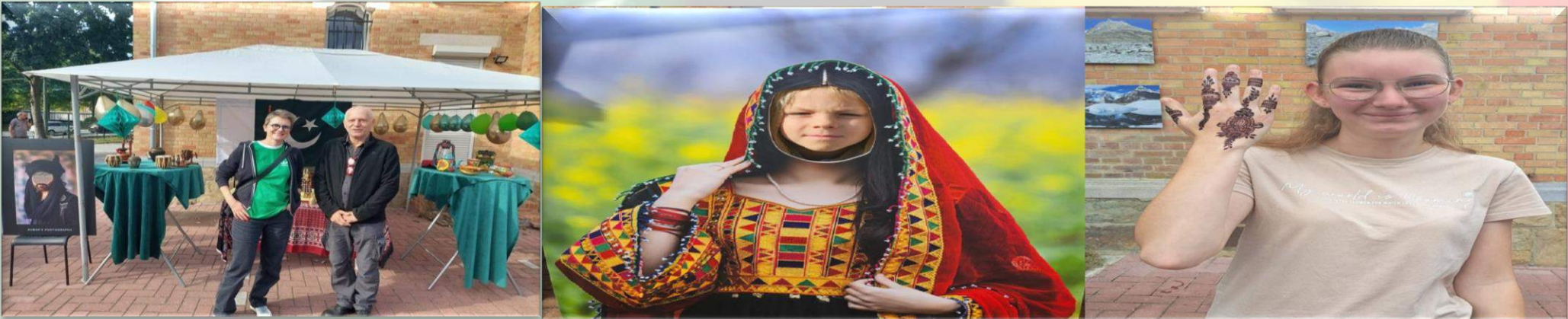


The Embassy of Pakistan, Brussels hosted the launch of the book titled “The Security Imperative – Pakistan’s Nuclear Deterrence and Diplomacy” authored by Ambassador Zamir Akram at the Brussels Press Club . The event was attended by Brussels based Ambassadors, members of the diplomatic corps, and representatives from the think tank, community and academia.

CULTURAL HERITAGE DAY OF PAKISTAN



The Embassy of Pakistan, Brussels showcased Pakistan's rich cultural heritage at the Annual Heritage Day event in Belgium where there were displayed an array of cultural exhibits and top export products portraying the country's rich heritage and cultural diversity.



'MUSHAIRA' ON IQBAL DAY



The Embassy of Pakistan, Brussels hosted a poetry recital titled “Beyaad-i-Iqbal” to commemorate 146th Birth Anniversary of the great philosopher and poet, Dr. Allama Muhammad Iqbal.

OBSERVANCE OF KASHMIR BLACK DAY



A Photo Exhibition was inaugurated at the Embassy of Pakistan, Brussels on the occasion of Kashmir Black Day to highlight the aggravating human rights and humanitarian situation in IIOJK.

A Seminar was also organized on 27th October, 2023 to commemorate Kashmir Black Day.

SCIENCE DIPLOMACY NETWORKING EVENT



The Embassy of Pakistan, Brussels hosted a Science Diplomacy Networking Event, featuring distinguished representatives from the scientific and diplomatic communities in the European Union.



CHRISTMAS LUNCH



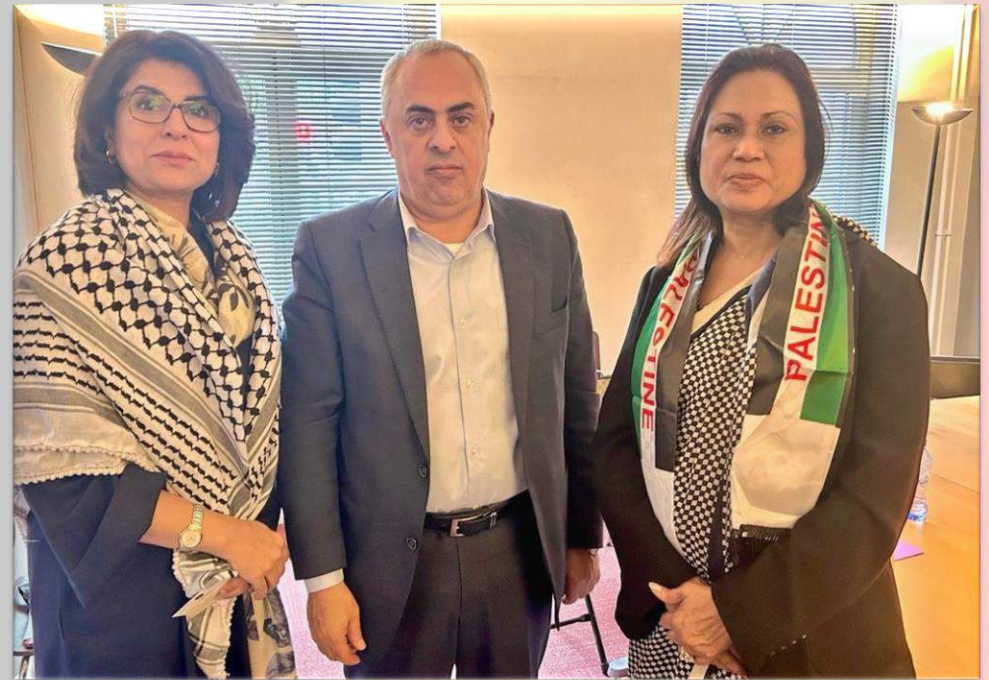
A Christmas Lunch was organized to celebrate the special occasion in a befitting manner, along with the Christian diaspora.



ENGAGEMENTS WITH OIC ENVOYS



OIC Joint Ambassadorial Press Conference in Press Club Brussels

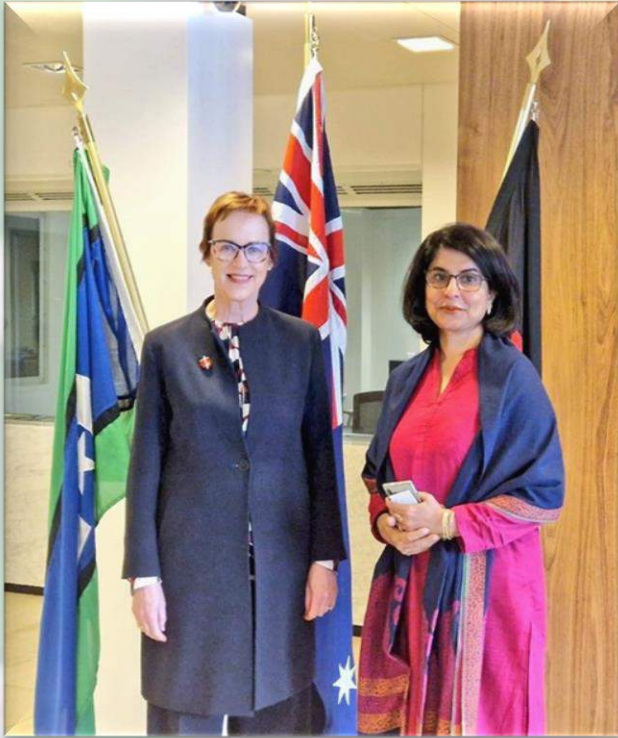


Participation in a special OIC Ambassadorial meeting in Brussels

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPS



Meeting with Ambassador of Japan



Meeting with Ambassador of Australia



Meeting with Ambassador of Egypt

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Meeting with Ambassador of Morocco



Meeting with Ambassador of Sri Lanka



Meeting with Permanent Observer OIC

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPS



Meeting with Ambassador of Tajikistan



Meeting with Ambassador of Iran



Meeting with Ambassador of Kyrgyzstan

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPS



Meeting with Ambassador of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia



Meeting with Ambassador of Iraq



Meeting with Ambassador of Spain

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPS



Meeting with
Ambassador of State
of Kuwait



Meeting with
Ambassador of
Uzbekistan



Meeting with
Ambassador of
Philippines



Meeting with
Ambassador of
Belgium to Pakistan

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPS



Meeting with Ambassador of
Nepal



Meeting with Ambassador of
Bahrain



Meeting with Ambassador of
Luxembourg

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPS



Meeting with Ambassador of People's Republic of China

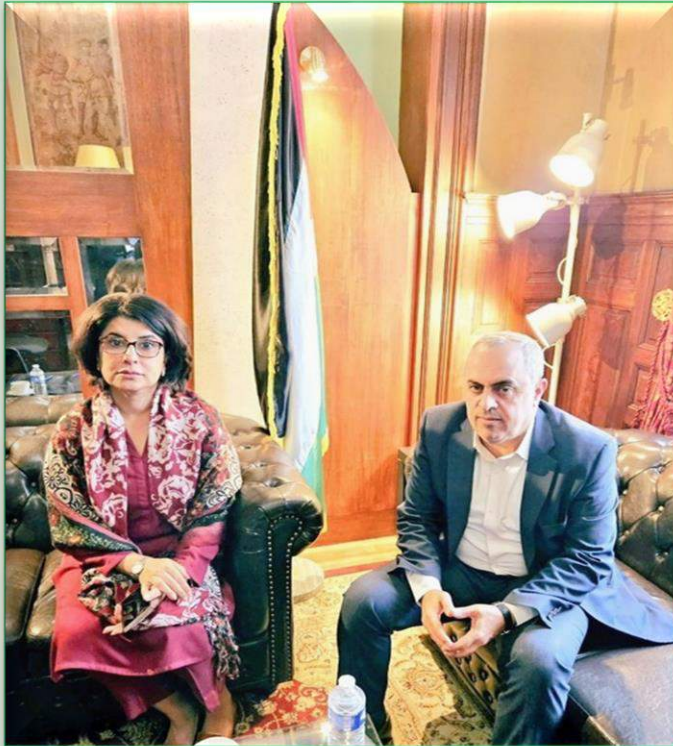


Meeting with Ambassador of Kingdom of Jordan



Meeting with Ambassador of Romania

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPS



Meeting with Ambassador of
Palestine



Meeting with Ambassador
of Maldives



Meeting with Ambassador
of France

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPS



Meeting with Ambassador of Netherlands



Meeting with Ambassador of Norway



Meeting with Ambassador of Germany

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPUS



Meeting with Ambassador of Greece



Meeting with Ambassador of Malaysia



Meeting with Ambassador of Yemen

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPS



Meeting with Ambassador of
United States of America



Meeting with Ambassador
of Oman



Meeting with Ambassador
of Lithuania

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIPLOMATIC CORPUS



Condolence with Ambassador of State of Kuwait on sad demise of late Emir

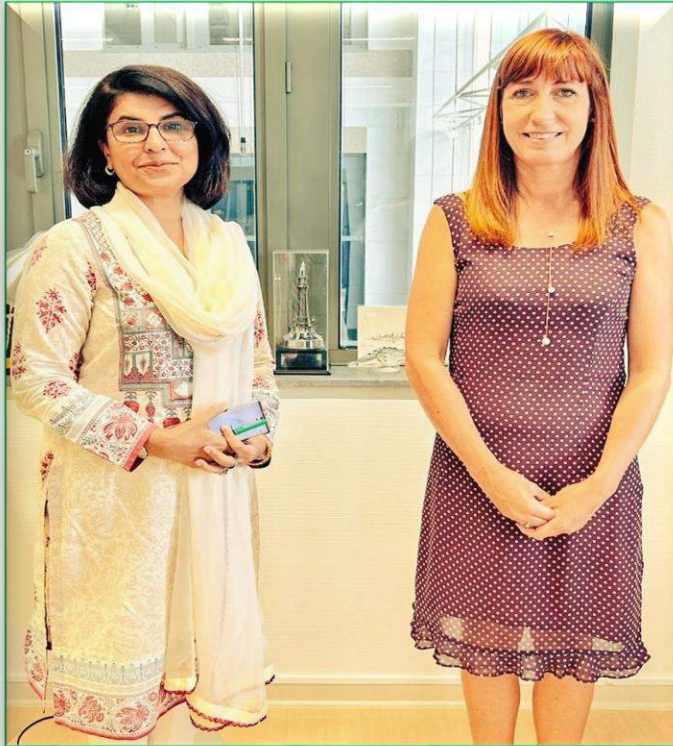


Meeting with Ambassador of Czech Republic



Meeting with Permanent Representative of Spain

ENGAGEMENTS WITH EU, NATO, BELGIUM AND LUXEMBOURG



**Meeting with CEO
Wallonia BE**



**Meeting with Special Envoy
for promoting religious
freedom beyond the EU**



**Meeting with DG
Immigration Office**

ENGAGEMENTS WITH EU, NATO, BELGIUM AND LUXEMBOURG



**Meeting with DG
International Partnerships**



**Meeting with Minister
President Wallonia**



**Meeting with DG
Trade EU**

ENGAGEMENTS WITH EU, NATO, BELGIUM AND LUXEMBOURG



**Meeting with DG
Migration & Home Affairs EU**



**Meeting with Vice Chair
Committee on Foreign
Relations of EU Parliament**



**Meeting with Political
Director M/o Foreign
Affairs Luxembourg**

ENGAGEMENTS WITH EU, NATO, BELGIUM AND LUXEMBOURG



Meeting with Head of International Relations Luxinnovation



Meeting with European Investment Bank



Virtual Meeting with EU Ambassador to Pakistan

ENGAGEMENTS WITH EU, NATO, BELGIUM AND LUXEMBOURG



Meeting with Members of European Parliaments MEPs
Martin Gyongyosi, Maximilian Krah, Herve Juvin, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

ENGAGEMENTS WITH EU, NATO, BELGIUM AND LUXEMBOURG



Meeting with Mayor of Antwerp



Meeting with Vice Mayor/President of the Board of Directors Port of Antwerp



Meeting with DG Mobility & Transport EU

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIASPORA, ACADEMICA



**Virtual Sessions with
Pakistani Community**



**Meeting with Pakistani
Students at KU Leuven**



**Visit to Pakistani Stall at
Luxembourg Bazar**

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIASPORA, ACADEMICA



**Interactive meeting with
VUB Brussels**



**Interaction with religion
origin community in Brussels**



**Participation in
Mehfil-e-Milad in
Pakistani mosque**

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIASPORA, ACADEMICA



Visit to Pakistani mosque in Brussels



Virtual meeting with Dr. Anwar Sabieh,
KSS Pakistan

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DIASPORA, ACADEMICA



Interaction with start ups and incubators in Pakistan

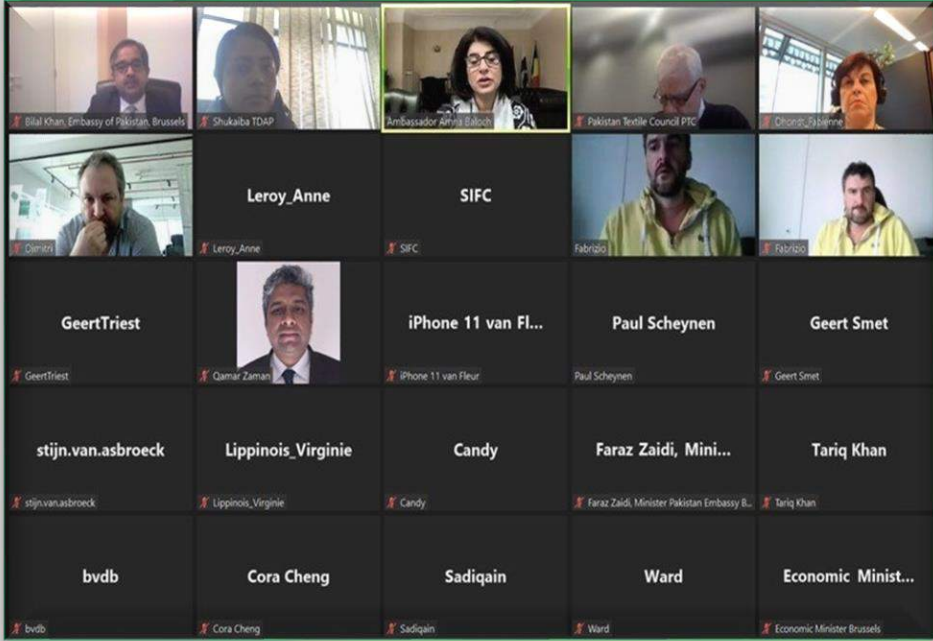


Meeting with CEO (BECI)

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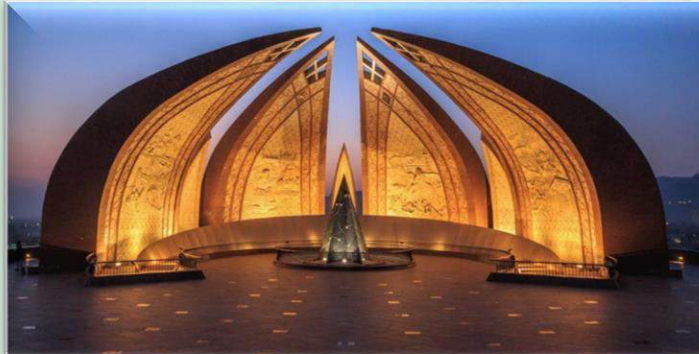
Interaction with Pakistani students in Luxembourg



Webinar on “Trade & Investment Opportunities in Pakistan”



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