



# International e-Conference on Connecting the Rohingya Diaspora: Highlighting the Global Displacement

25-26 August 2020

Over the decades, the Rohingyas have settled in many countries for the sheer reason of security and survival, indeed, as victims of a protracted genocide. Driven out from Myanmar over several decades, the Rohingyas have been labelled as "the most persecuted people on earth" by UN agencies. But resilience has led members of the stateless community to carve out new lives in different countries of the world, including Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Thailand, Pakistan, India, Japan, Canada, Australia, United States, and many other countries in the Middle East, Europe, and Southeast Asia. Many of them fled Myanmar as children. Some have been granted citizenship, asylum, and refugee status while others live in the shadows with no legal status or protection. Some have ended in prison and many have perished during the journey.

In the light of the above, the international e-conference to be held on August 25-26, 2020 aims to bring the Rohingya diaspora living around the world to learn about their experience. The conference will highlight the widespread human rights violation, persecution and systemic ethnic cleansing that the Rohingyas faced in Myanmar. The e-conference will also explore and examine the existing socio-economic conditions and political situations of the Rohingya diaspora, and the relationship they have with the Rohingyas both inside and outside Myanmar and the future plans of the Rohingya diaspora.

## Conference Objectives



**Raising** the issue of the plight of the Rohingyas in Myanmar.



**Sharing** the experience of the Rohingya Diaspora spread around the world.



**Connecting** the Rohingyas both inside and outside Myanmar.

## Inaugural Session



Chief Guest

**H.E. Mr. Masud Bin Momen**  
The Foreign Secretary,  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,  
Bangladesh



Guest of Honor

**H.E. Mr. Cherno Marenah**  
The Solicitor General & Legal Secretary  
The Ministry of Justice, Government of  
the Republic of the Gambia, The Gambia

## Rohingya Diaspora: Canada, Saudi Arabia & Japan

### Panel 1



**Yasmin Ullah**  
President  
Rohingya Human Rights  
Network, Canada

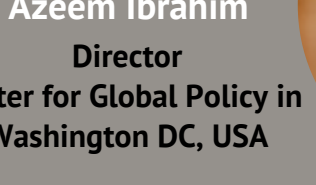


**Morad Alsahafi**  
Professor of Modern Languages  
and Literature, King Abdulaziz  
University, Saudi Arabia



**Michimi Muranushi**  
Professor  
Department of Law,  
Gakushuin University, Japan

Speaker



**Azeem Ibrahim**  
Director  
Center for Global Policy in  
Washington DC, USA

Discussant

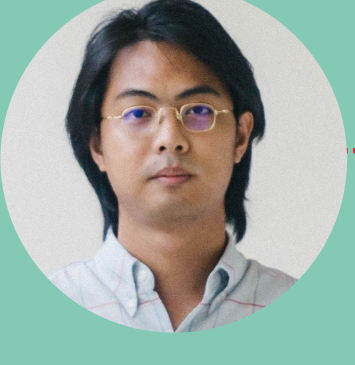


**Imtiaz Ahmed**  
Professor  
of International Relations  
Director, Centre for Genocide  
Studies, University of Dhaka

Moderator

## Rohingya Diaspora: UK, USA & Thailand

### Speaker



**Kunnawut Boonreak**  
PhD Student,  
Faculty of Social Sciences, Chiang Mai  
University, Thailand



**Regina M Paulose**  
International Criminal Law  
Attorney, USA



**Ma Htike**  
PhD Student,  
Queen Mary University of London, UK

### Panel 2



**KAM Morshed**  
Senior Director  
Brac, Bangladesh

Discussant



**Manzoor Hasan OBE**  
Executive Director  
Centre for Peace and Justice,  
Brac University

Moderator

## Rohingya Diaspora: UK, Canada & Japan

### Panel 3



**Tun Khin**  
Rohingya Leader & President  
Burmese Rohingya  
Organization, UK



**Kawser Ahmed**  
Professor of Political Science  
University of Winnipeg,  
Canada



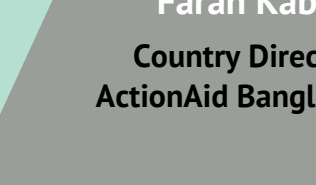
**Miwako Hosoda**  
Professor & Vice President  
Seisa University,  
Japan

Speaker



**Nickey Diamond**  
Myanmar Human Rights  
Specialist at Fortify Rights

Discussant



**Farah Kabir**  
Country Director  
ActionAid Bangladesh

Moderator

## Rohingya Diaspora: Australia, India, Bangladesh & Malaysia

### Speaker



**Kazi Fahmida Farzana**  
Senior Lecturer  
University Utara Malaysia,  
Malaysia



**Muhammad Badiuzzaman**  
Research Coordinator  
CPJ, Brac University  
Bangladesh



**Sabyasachi Basu Ray Chowdhury**  
Professor  
of Political Science, Rabindra  
Bharati University, India



**Hla Myint**  
President  
Rohingya Intellectual Community  
Association of Australia

### Panel 4



**Wakar Uddin**  
Director-Genera,  
Arakan Rohingya Union;  
Chairman & Founder, Burmese  
Rohingya Assoc. North America

Discussant



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## Closing Ceremony



**Justice Syed Refaat Ahmed**  
Hon'able Judge,  
Supreme Court of Bangladesh



**Lilianne Fan**  
Chair, Rohingya Working Group  
Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network,  
Malaysia



**Shahidul Haque**  
Senior Fellow  
North South University,  
Former Foreign Secretary of Bangladesh

Programme	Date	Time (BST)
Inaugural Session	25 Aug 2020	6.00-6.25 PM
Panel 1: Rohingya Diaspora: Canada, Saudi Arabia & Japan	25 Aug 2020	6.30-8.30 PM
Panel 2: Rohingya Diaspora: UK, USA & Thailand	25 Aug 2020	8.45-10.15 PM
Panel 3: Rohingya Diaspora: UK, Canada & Japan	26 Aug 2020	6.00-7.30 PM
Panel 4: Rohingya Diaspora: Australia, India, Bangladesh & Malaysia	26 Aug 2020	7.45-9.15 PM
Closing Ceremony	26 Aug 2020	9.30-10.00 PM

For Free Registration, please visit:  
<http://cgsdu.org/rohingya-conference>

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Registration Deadline:  
20 August 2020

Zoom link will be given to the registered participants

