

NEWSLETTER

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ABOUT NEGAAS

A non-profit organization, established in August 1986, by a group of scholars trained/educated in Germany.

VISION

Promoting Nepal-German Academic relations

MISSION

Developing NEGAAS as a forum for Nepalese and German Academicians.

AIM

To strengthen relationships between Nepal and Germany by enhancing cooperation among the academicians in both countries; bridging Nepal and Germany in academic.cultural collaborations and exchanges.

INSIDE: HIGHLIGHTS

1. The 35th Annual General Meeting/picnic
2. NEGAAS conference on Sustainable Future
3. NEGAAS Activities
4. Meeting with DAAD India Team
5. DAAD Young Ambassadors
6. NEGAAS members achievements

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear NEGAAS Members and Readers,

It is with great pleasure that I convey this message through this edition of the NEGAAS newsletter which reflects on the successful completion of the current executive committee's tenure and the anticipation of a new, dynamic committee. Over the past two years, the committee has organized numerous events and knowledge-sharing programs, fostering collaboration among policymakers, academics, and practitioners. A notable achievement was the national workshop on "Climate Change, Energy Transition and Governance," which boosted NEGAAS's visibility and membership drive, thanks to the support from DAAD, the German Embassy, AEPC, DKTI, and GIZ.

Looking ahead, NEGAAS aims to further support its members' academic and professional growth by



encouraging participation in alumni events.

Finally, it is my pleasure to present you with this NEGAAS newsletter which showcases our activities and highlights the personal and professional achievements of our members. I extend my gratitude to the publication sub-committee for their dedicated efforts in bringing this issue out to the general public. I wish you happy reading and a prosperous New Year 2025!

Warm regards,
Dr Ram Prasad Dhital
President,
Nepal German
Academician Association
(NEGAAS)

The 35th Annual General Meeting/Picnic

Date: 30 December 2023

Venue: Dekkaido Onsen, Budhanilkantha, Kathmandu

The 35th Annual General Meeting was successfully conducted in the presence of all members, guests, and supporters of NEGAAS.

A presentation was made to share the activities of NEGAAS. The website of NEGAAS was also updated and shared. The treasurer shared the financial report.

The highlight of the AGM was the felicitation of the former presidents of NEGAAS and welcoming of the new life members.

The day ended with fun activities like playing bingo and musical program by the members of NEGAAS.



Group photo with the past presidents after the felicitation program.



List of past presidents felicitated:

1. Prof. Dr. Chandra Bahadur Joshi
2. Prof. Dr. Shekhar Gurung
3. Prof. Dr. Dilip Subba
4. Dr. Roshana Shrestha
5. Mr. Surendra Dhakal
6. Prof. Dr. Ramesh Kumar Maskey
7. Prof. Dr. Tanka Nath Dhamala





NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: CELEBRATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SCIENCE (IDWGS-2024)

Date: 10 February 2024

Venue: Pulchowk Engineering Campus

The Center for Natural and Applied Sciences and Women of Nepal in Mathematical Sciences, in partnership with the Nepal German Academic Association-NEGAASS Women in STEM Club, jointly marked the International Day of Women and Girls in Science (IDWGS-2024) at the Pulchowk Engineering Campus in Lalitpur.

The event featured inspiring stories of perseverance shared by Prof. Timila Yami Thapa and Dr. Kabita Luitel, whose journeys to leadership roles in STEM served as powerful motivators. A panel discussion was also organized to explore strategies for increasing women's representation in leadership positions, particularly in STEM. The panelists—Prof. Dr. Sangeeta Singh, Dr. Ram Prasad Dhital, Er. Sneera Regmi, and Ms. Neelam Pandey—provided valuable insights on fostering inclusion. The session was moderated by Sijal Pokhrel from UNESCO Nepal.

On the Occasion of
International Day of Women & Girls in Science
IDWGS - 2024
"Women in Science Leadership: A New Era for Sustainability"

Inspirational Stories
Women Leaders in STEM



Prof. Timila Yami Thapa
Engineer/IT Expert



Dr. Kabita Luitel
Mathematician
Assoc. Prof. BMC, TU
Campus Chief

Panel Discussion
Gender Disparity in STEM:
Recognizing the Role of Women Leaders



Prof. Dr. Binul Aryal
Dean, ROST, TU
Academician - NAST



Prof. Dr. Sangeeta Singh
Pulchowk Engineering
Campus, TU



Er. Sneera Regmi
Aerospace Engineer
Sr. Aviation consultant



Ms. Neelam Pandey
Deputy Manager
Herb Production & Processing
Company Ltd.



Ms. Sijal Pokhrel
Moderator
Natural Science Officer,
UNESCO, Nepal

Pulchowk Engineering Campus, TU
Library Hall, Lalitpur, Nepal

Saturday February 10, 2024
Time: 12- 3 pm



Organizers



Collaborators



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NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: **TRAILBLAZING TO SHIVAPURI: WOMEN'S DAY HIKE**

Date: 9 March 2024

Venue: Shivapuri, Kathmandu

On the occasion of International Women's Day, the Center for Natural and Applied Sciences, Nepal German Academic Association-NEGAAS, Nepal-U.S. Nepal-U.S. Alumni Network, NUSAN, and Women in STEM Club, Nepal organized a hiking event to Shivapuri on Saturday, March 9, 2024.

The main objective of this hiking event was

- Promote networking,
- Sharing of research ideas and opportunities,
- Inspire and Motivate each other



NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: **NEEGAS MONTHLY MEETING**

Following are some glimpses of the monthly meetings that took place in year 2024.



NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: **FELICITATION TO DR. RAM PRASAD DHITAL**

Date: 7 July 2024

Venue: Aryal Hotel, Baneshwor

The Nepal German Academic Association (NEGAAS) extended our congratulations to the president Dr. Ram Prasad Dhital sir for his recent appointment as the Chairman of the Electricity Regulatory Commission of Nepal (ERC)

The NEGAAS family wished him a successful tenure for positive changes in the Power Sector of Nepal.



NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: **PARTICIPATION IN GERMAN UNITY DAY**

Date: 2 October 2024

Venue: Hyatt Regency, Bouddha, Kathmandu

NEGAAS members were invited to the reception hosted by Dr. Thomas Prinz H.E Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to celebrate the Day of German Unity at the Hyatt Regency, Boudha, Kathmandu.



NEGAAS ACTIVITIES:

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE FUTURE:

Climate Change, Energy Transition and Governance

Date: 6-7 November 2024

Venue: Royal Singi Hotel, Kathmandu

Organizer:

Nepal German Academic Association (NEGAAS)

Supported by:

German Academic Exchange Service, DAAD

In Cooperation with

Alternative Energy Promotion Centre (AEPC) &

Renewable Energy Confederation of Nepal (RECON)

The two-day event provided a good strategic platform to bring together German alumni, national experts, policymakers, academicians, government officials and relevant stakeholders to discuss ongoing activities in Nepal and highlight the national priorities activities in addressing climate change and sustainable development in Nepal.

The Chief Guest, Prof. Dr. Shiva Raj Adhikari – Vice Chairman of the National Planning Commission, inaugurated the conference by watering plants, symbolizing growth and sustainability along with a commitment to sustainability and environment conservation. HE Ambassador Dr. Thomas Prince, German Embassy also provided brief information on Germany's support in Nepal in the field of clean energy technologies and climate initiatives. His presence gave us more motivation and energy to the conference.

The other important guests included Dr. Narayan Prasad Adhikari, acting Executive Director of the Alternative Energy Promotion Center, Mr. Suresh Acharya, Secretary, Ministry of Energy, Water Resources and Irrigation and many other experts from different fields. The keynote presentation was delivered by Mr. Dinesh Kumar Ghimire, Former Secretary of the Ministry of Energy, Water Resources and Irrigation on the conference theme.



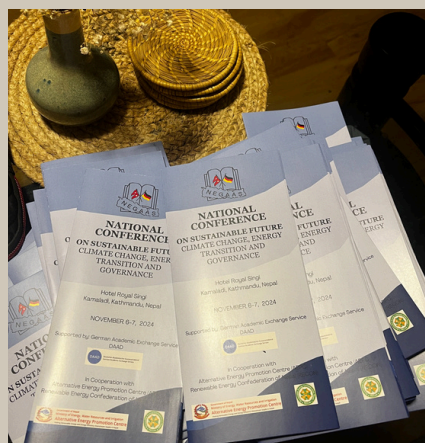
The conference featured four technical sessions addressing important aspects of the conference theme. In the technical sessions, experts discussed the national plans, policies and strategies to combat climate change through the inventions of clean energy technologies.

The world café session followed by the poster presentation from alumni demonstrated the practical solutions and information of different research activities. All the participants had a good opportunity to explore and interact with the presenter, display products and activities brochures of different organizations working in the field of climate change and energy transition.

Overall, the conference concluded with great success, having a good number of participants from government officials, policymakers, academicians, young researchers and practitioners and engaged actively throughout the duration. The insights information gained from the conference will serve as a valuable resource for all participants to address the challenges of climate change.







NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: WEBINAR ON ANSO-CAS/TWAS AND CSC SCHOLARSHIP IN CHINA

Date: 20 January 2024

Webinar on "Info session on ANSO-CAS/TWAS and CSC Scholarship in China."

7th Series

Webinar On

"Info Session on ANSO-CAS/TWAS and CSC Scholarships in China"



Coordinator/Moderator
Dr. Babita Paudel
Humboldt Ambassador Scientist
Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Germany
Founder/Head, CENAS

Saturday 20th January, 2024
6th Magh, 2080
7:00 pm to 8.30 pm

Link will be provided after registration

*Exploring Higher Education
Opportunities in China:
A Step-by-Step Guide for ANSO
and CSC Scholarships*

*Females are highly
encouraged to participate*



Dr. Sushmita Bhandari
Geologist- Department of Mines
and Geology, Kathmandu
Alumni - ANSO-CAS/TWAS



Dr. Kabita Karki
Geologist- Department of Mines
and Geology, Kathmandu
Alumni - ANSO-CAS/TWAS



Dr. Sabina Koirala
Wildlife Researcher
Alumni - ANSO-CAS/TWAS

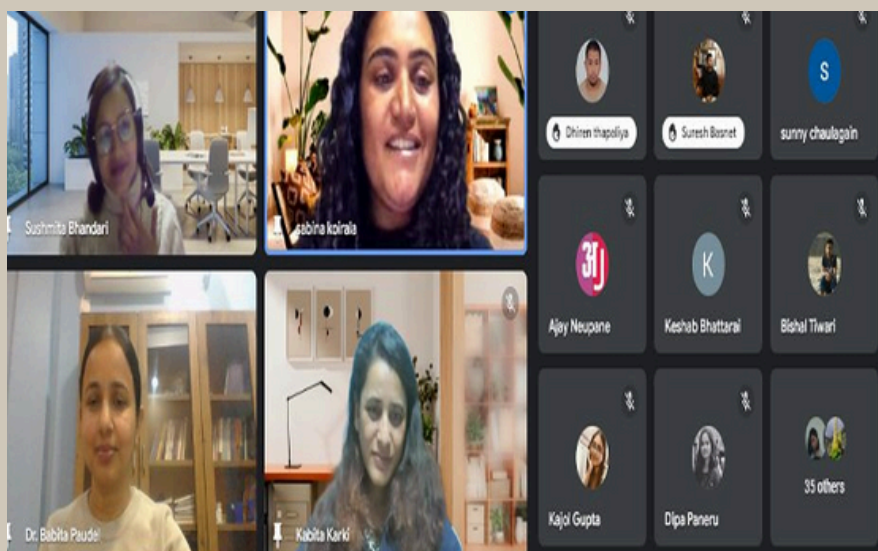


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NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: WEBINAR ON GLOBAL KOREA SCHOLARSHIP (GKS)

Date: 16 March 2024

Webinar on "Info session on Global Korea Scholarship - Master's/PhD/Research Program"

9th Series

Webinar On

Info Session on

“Global Korea Scholarship – Master’s/PhD/Research Program”



Coordinator/Moderator
Dr. Babita Paudel
*Humboldt Ambassador Scientist
Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Germany
Founder/Head, CENAS*

*Exploring Higher Education
Opportunities in S. Korea:
A Step-by-Step Guide for
Master/PhD and Research Programs*



Ms. Dibya Bhatta
*Agriculturist
GKS - Alumni*



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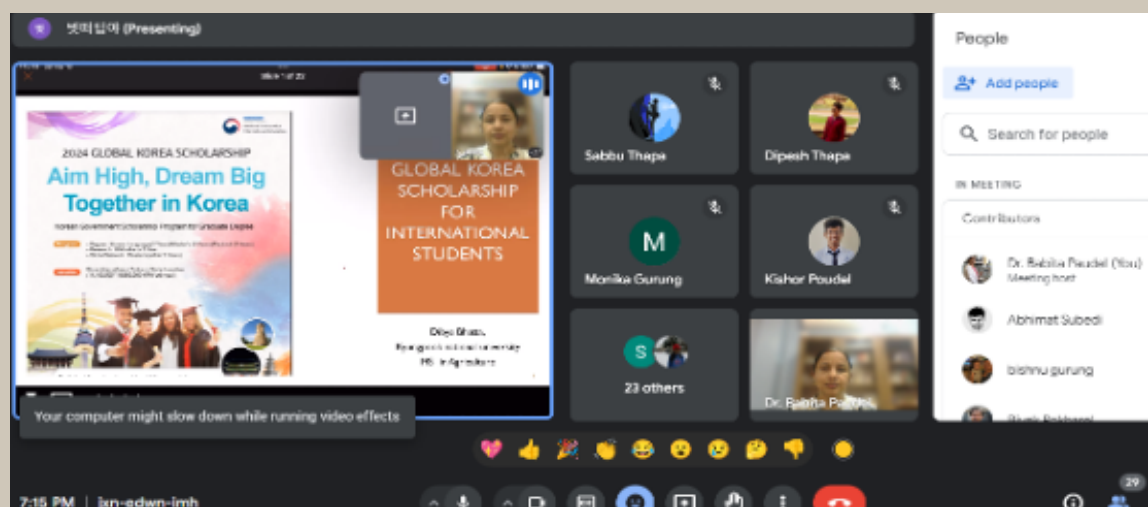
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Saturday 16th March , 2024
3rd Chaitra, 2080
7:00 pm to 8.30 pm

Females are highly encouraged to participate

Link will be provided after registration



NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: INFO SESSION ON DAAD SCHOLARSHIP

Date: 7 June 2024

Venue: RECAST, Tribhuvan University, Kirtipur

Nepal German Academic Association-NEGAAS and the Center for Natural and Applied Sciences) organized an Information Session on DAAD Scholarships on the 25th of Jestha, 2081 (7th June, 2024) at RECAST, TU, Kirtipur, Kathmandu, Nepal



"DAAD Scholarships"

Information Session on DAAD Scholarships for
Students from Nepal
(Study in Germany)





Dr. Priti Regmi
Assistant Professor
Central Dept. of Biotechnology,
Kirtipur, Tribhuvan University
DAAD Alumni
Member - NEGAAS



Ar. Rumi Singh Maharjan
DAAD Young Ambassador
Project Architect - RP Foundation
Executive member - NEGAAS



Er. Sheila Dangol
DAAD Young Ambassador
Sanitary Engineer at BDA
Pvt. Ltd.
Executive member -
NEGAAS



7 June 2024
25 Jestha 2081
2 PM onwards
Friday



Location: RECAST, Kirtipur,
Tribhuvan University
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RESEARCH CENTRE FOR APPLIED SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (RECAST)
Health, Material, Food, Energy, Information, Nepal

NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: **WEBINAR ON DAAD SCHOLARSHIP**

Date: 28 June 2024

Webinar on Information Session DAAD
Scholarship in collaboration with DAAD
Regional Office New Delhi, India.



**WEBINAR ON
DAAD SCHOLARSHIP**


Ms. Anuroopa Dixit
Program Officer
DAAD Delhi
Resource Person


Ms. Nishka Thukral
Executive Assistant to Director
DAAD Delhi
Resource Person


Ar. Rumi Singh Maharjan
DAAD Young Ambassador
Executive member
NEGAAS


Dr. Babita Poudel
Founder/Head CENAS
Humbolt Ambassador
Scientist
Secretary NEGAAS

28 June 2024, Friday, 3 p.m.
Webex meeting

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German Academic Exchange Service

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NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: INFO SESSION ON DAAD SCHOLARSHIP

Date: 18 July 2024

Venue: Central Department of Chemistry,
Tribhuvan University

Information Session DAAD Scholarship in collaboration with DAAD Regional Office New Delhi, India in presence of Ms. Aditi Gosavi, Senior-Advisor and Public Relations DAAD India and Ms. Nishka Thukral, Executive Assistant to the Director, DAAD India.



DAAD Scholarships Information Session



Ms. Aditi Gosavi
Senior Advisor -
Communication and
Public Relations
DAAD India
(Resource Person)

Programs Highlights

- DAAD Master Program
- DAAD PhD Programs
- Interaction with Students



Ms. Nishka Thukral
Executive Assistant
to the Director, DAAD India
(Resource Person)

**Central Department of Chemistry,
Tribhuvan University, Kirtipur**

**Thursday, July 18, 2024
1-3 PM**

Please register using link below and get a formal invitation from DAAD
<https://www.daad.de/surveys/8566647lang=en>

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NEGAAS ACTIVITIES: **MEETING WITH DAAD INDIA TEAM**

Date: 19 July 2024

Venue: Kathmandu Guest House, Thamel, Kathmandu

We had the opportunity to meet in person Dr. Katja Lasch, the Director of DAAD Regional Office New Delhi, Ms. Aditi Gosavi, Senior-Advisor and Public Relations DAAD India and Ms. Nishka Thukral, Executive Assistant to the director, DAAD India. We had a productive dinner conversation where we exchanged experiences and challenges related to DAAD scholarships, and also explored potential future projects and collaborations with DAAD India.





OBITUARY:

The NEGAAS family would like to offer our deepest condolences to the bereaved family. We wish them strength and courage at this very difficult time. May the departed soul find eternal peace forever.

Late Lalita Devi Rajbhandari

15.03.1985 - 29.05. 2081

Beloved mother of Dr. Roshana Shrestha, life member/past president of NEGAAS



Late Prof. Dr. Tulsi Prasad Pathak

17.07.2000 - 19.07.2081

Life member of NEGAAS, Professor/ former Head of Central Department of Chemistry, Kritipur, Kathmandu/ Former Executive Director of Research Centre for Applied Science and Technology (RECAST) and Board Member of University Grant Commission of Nepal.



Late Bimala Regmi

14 July 1934 - 25 Jan 2024)

Beloved mother of Er. Sandhya Regmi, life member/past vice-president of NEGAAS

Contributed as senior nurse in Mission Hospital, Palpa. and Shanta Bhawan Hospital for 15 years.



DAAD YOUNG AMBASSADORS (DYA):



Ms. Nisha Pant
DYA 2024 - 2025

Currently a Master student at Leibniz University Water Resources and Environmental Management
Bachelor: Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal

Scholarships: DAAD – EPOS
Current Country: Germany
Home Country: Nepal

<https://www.daad.in/en/about-us/daad-network/daad-young-ambassadors/#accordion-25>



Ar. Rabita Shakya
DYA 2024 - 2025

Currently a Master student at University of Stuttgart in Integrated Urbanism & Sustainable Design, pursuing second year at Ain Shams University, Cairo, Egypt
Bachelor: Institute of Engineering, Pulchowk Campus, Lalitpur, Nepal

Scholarships: DAAD – EPOS
Current Country: Cairo
Home Country: Nepal

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NEGAAS MEMBERS ACHIEVEMENTS

Dr. Babita Poudel

Dr. Babita Paudel has been appointed as the Humboldt Ambassador Scientist to Nepal by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Germany for 2023-2025.

Dr. Babita Paudel, a Humboldt Ambassador Scientist of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Germany, served as a jury member at the Falling Walls Lab held on July 20, 2024, in Kathmandu, Nepal. The event took place at the Kathmandu University School of Management (KUSoM) in Lalitpur, Kathmandu, and was supported by Falling Walls, Germany, DAAD India, and the German Federal Foreign Office.

Dr. Babita Paudel was selected for the 2024 Humboldt Residency Program in Berlin, Germany, scheduled from August 5 to September 13, 2024. This year's residency, themed "Power and Knowledge: Confronting Global Imbalances in Our Knowledge Systems," brought together 11 international participants from diverse fields, including research, journalism, and activism. The program facilitated an exchange of ideas, amplified local voices in the global knowledge system, and explored ways to structure knowledge exchange between the Global North and Global South within the scientific community and beyond. The initiative aimed to leverage existing knowledge and integrate the perspectives of local actors into global strategies.

In February 2024, Dr. Babita Paudel was an invited speaker at the conference on Recent Trends in Science, Technology, and Innovation held in Pokhara, Nepal, where she had the opportunity to present her research.

Dr. Shekhar Aryal

Dr. Shekhar Aryal successfully defended his Ph.D. in Mechanical (Hydro-Power and Renewable Energy) Engineering. And he was awarded the Ph.D. degree at the convocation held on 28 December, 2024.

Dr. Ram Prasad Dhital

The meeting of the Council of Ministers on June 24, 2024 appointed Dr Ram Prasad Dhital as the Chairman of the Electricity Regulatory Commission (ERC), Nepal. The key functions of the commission are to regulate the generation, transmission, distribution and trade of electricity in Nepal by introducing and enforcing various regulatory instruments specially in the technical, economical, institutional, grievance handling and dispute resolution aspects of the electricity sector in Nepal. Dr Dhital was briefly associated with the Commission as a member in 2019.

Previously he served as the Executive Director of Alternative Energy Promotion Center for a full term of four years under the Ministry of Energy, Water Resources, and Irrigation overseeing "Renewable Energy" operations, strategic and technical initiatives in Nepal. He also worked as (i) a visiting Professor at KU, (ii) an Advisor to the Infrastructure Committee of the Parliament and (iii) an Electricity Policy and Regulatory Expert for ADB Nepal, UNDP Afghanistan, UNDP Yemen, UNDP Fiji for Vanuatu, and AusAID Vanuatu and FCDO-PwC FSSP Nepal.

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Er. Sandhya Regmi

May-July 2024, PhD Research Scholar Er. Sandhya Regmi visited the cities of Lahore, Punjab and Islamabad in connection with her PhD research on "Buddhism and Mitigation of Environmental Challenges".

As a Rotarian, Sandhya worked as editor in the which published and released the 39th Rotary Journal on 29th August 2024. She participated in 39th Inception Day of Rotary Club of Patan. Her research-based article 'Enabling the Differently Abled of Nepal' has been published in the 39th Rotary Souvenir.

Regmi participated as speaker at the Seminar on "Basic Education & Literacy" to celebrate 58th World Literacy Day, organized by Rotary International on 8th Sept 2024.

Participated as panelist in panel discussion "Mapping DAAD Alumni to achieve SDG 7 and SDG 13 at national conference on "Climate Change, Energy Transition and Good Governance", organized by NEGAAS, AEPC and RECON and sponsored by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) on 6-7 Nov, 2024.

Sandhya participated in World Heart Day on 14th November 2024 and contributed NRs. 50,000 to Nepal Heart Foundation. She was a Keynote Speaker on "Gender Challenges in Art" at Nepal Academy of Fine Art (NAFA). Additionally, she contributed her valuable oil paintings to make the 'Nationwide Art Exhibition-2024' a grand success and received the 'Certificate of Honor' by NAFA.

Sandhya was awarded 'Paul Harris Fellowship' by Rotary International for contributing USD 1000/- (One Thousand US Dollars) in the sector of 'Education and Disability'. On 2nd May 2024

Er. Bharat Pradhan

Structural Design Consultant for several projects: Nijgadh International Airport, Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal (CAA), Sports-Covered Hall as a National Training Centre at Tripureshwor, Kathmandu for National Sports Council, Ministry of Youth and Sports

Research Grant: Awarded a research grant (€ 46000.0) to conduct research on "Analysis strategies of structural systems predominantly subject to the wind actions"

Member of Technical Committee formed by Nepal Bureau of Standards and Metrology (NBSM), Member of a technical committee which prepared Nepal Standard for Safety Glass -Specification - PART 1 ARCHITECTURAL, BUILDING AND GENERAL USES, Member of the technical committee for the adoption of ISO provisions related to Bamboo, Member of a sub-technical committee to prepare a Nepal Standard for Bamboo and Stabilised Soil Blocks.

Moderated an international workshop "Sustainable Construction and Seismic Retrofitting Technologies for Masonry Structures", on 10 May 2024 and another on a one-day seminar "NBC 105: 2020 Revision" on 27 Dec 2024 organised by Structural Engineers' Association-Nepal (SEANep) and Department of Urban Development and Building Construction, Ministry of Urban Development

Member of the Code Review Committee formed by Structural Engineers' Association Nepal (SEANep), Member of NBC 105 review committee to review the draft version of Nepal National Building Code NBC 105:2024 "SEISMIC DESIGN OF BUILDINGS IN NEPAL" prepared by the Department of Urban Development and Building Construction, Ministry of Urban Development

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Ms. Sushma Bajracharya

She completed Masters in Pali Buddhist Studies from Lumbini University in 2024

Ar. Rumi Singh Maharjan

Ar. Rumi organized and moderated online and physical one-to-one and open group DAAD Scholarship information-sharing and experience-sharing programs.

NEGAAS National Conference on Sustainable Future: Climate Change, Energy Transition and Governance. She worked as a core member to organize and manage the conference. She was the master of ceremony on the first day of the conference.

She co-founded a consulting firm namely “CHA Atelier”, Atelier for Crafts Heritage and Architecture at Patan, Nepal.

She gave a “Patan Heritage Walk” to the delegates from the Finnish Embassy including H.E. Riina-Riikka Heikka, Ambassador of Finland to Nepal.

She got certified as Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) Expert by the Department of Archaeology, Government of Nepal.

She worked on the curation of 60 years of “Bhaktapur Development Project” at the German Unity Day at Hyatt Hotel, Kathmandu organized by the Germany Embassy in Nepal.

Er. Shiva Adhikari

He has been appointed as a member of the Diaspora Advisory Board by GIZ/BMZ. The Diaspora Advisory Board consists of 16 members from 14 countries. We are looking forward to collaborating with an international, interdisciplinary group of board members to work for the betterment of diaspora members in both their countries of origin and destination.

As a co-organizer of the Diaspora Summit—Diaspora Beyond 2030—for the second consecutive time, Mr. Adhikari actively fosters cross-cultural and social engagement. He played a leading role in organizing this event at the Bundestag and BMZ for the first time. It was one of the most successful events, attended by Members of Parliament (MdB) and other dignitaries. Additionally, in mid-May, he met Minister Svenja Schulze and handed over the position paper for the betterment of Diasporas in Germany.

In September 2024, another prestigious position was awarded to Mr. Adhikari. He was appointed by the Hessian Ministry for Labor, Integration, Youth, and Social Affairs as a member of the Hessian Integration Conference, advising the ministry on migration and integration policies. In December, he was invited by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Diaspora in Kosovo as a speaker at the famous Ulpiana Forum. Together with speakers from various countries, he presented his views and made a clear statement. He said: “You cannot stop migration, but you can harness it for both the countries of origin and destination.”

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Ms. Pratima Rai

Ms. Pratima delivered presentation as a speaker in MEDICA 2024- LabMed Forum, an incredible event. bringing together 83,000+ healthcare professionals from around the world from 11-14 November 2024 in Düsseldorf, Germany. During the scientific discourse, she shared her insights on “Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) for prediction of diseases” together with the panel of diverse scientists from around the globe.

She participated and facilitated learning exchange during International German Alumni Training Seminar on “Assessing Health Technology in Public Health” from 04-09 November 2024 in Universität Heidelberg, Germany.

Prof. Dr. Tanka Nath Dhamala

He is the former President of NEGAAS, was funded with Research Group Linkage Program from Alexander von Humboldt Foundation for the research project entitled "Optimization Strategies for Congestion Reduction in Emergency Planning". Prof. Dr. Dhamala is the Principal Resource Person from Central Department of Mathematics at Tribhuvan University and Prof. Dr. Stefan Nickel is the Principal Resource Person from Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), Institute for Operations Research, Discrete Optimization and Logistics. The project aims to minimize traffic congestion in Kathmandu which is designed to complete with research exchanges and workshops during the period 2024-2026.

Professor Dhamala was nominated, together with other two more candidates, for the post of Vice-Chancellor after several meritocratic evaluation processes of Nepal government. However, he could not be appointed for the responsibility.

Dr. Ganga Datta Nepal

In September 2024, he was appointed an honorable Vice Chairperson of Policy and Planning Commission (PPPC) of Bagmati Province. He has to serve as a development and planning adviser of Chief Minister and lead the policy formation and planning process of the Province.

PPPC is a specialized agency that formulates policies and plans of the provincial government based on research and study. It also analyse to accelerate towards prosperity from balanced sustainable development. It also provides advice and support to provincial government on planning, monitoring and evaluation.

UPDATED LIST OF NEGAAS MEMBERS

NAME

1. Mr. Aatma Prakash Paneru
2. Mr. Abhinab Kadel
3. Dr. Ajay Kunwar
4. Er. Ajay Sharma
5. Mr. Amirt Chitrakar
6. Dr. Anil Bahadur Shrestha
7. Ms. Anita Chitrakar
8. Dr. Babita Paudel
9. Prof. Dr. Bharat Raj Pahari
10. Dr. Bhupendra Devkota
11. Mr. Bishal Ghimire
12. Prof. Dr. Brem Markus
13. Mr. Buddha Bahadur Shakya
14. Ar. Buddha Shrestha
15. Mr. Buddhi Narayan Shrestha
16. Prof. Dr. Chandra Bahadur Joshi
17. Dr. Chinta Mani Pokhrel
18. Dr. Bambaru Raj Baral
19. Mr. Daya Ram Acharya
20. Mr. Deepak Tolange
21. Mr. Dev Raj Gautam
22. Prof. Dr. Dilip Subba
23. Ms. Erica Udas
24. Dr. Ganga Datta Nepal
25. Mr. Girija Prasad Gorkhaly
26. Mr. Hari Datta Bhattarai
27. Mr. Hari Kumar Shrestha
28. Er. Heeraman Waiba
29. Mr. Hira Mani Ghimire
30. Er. Jeetendra Gurung
31. Dr. Ganga Datta Nepal

NAME

32. Prof. Dr. Jyoti Devkota
33. Er. Kalidas Neupane
34. Dr. Kamal Shrestha
35. Mr. Kishor Prasad Bhatta
36. Mr. Krishna Hari Pushkar
37. Lt. Col. Dr. Lila Raj Koirala
38. Mr. Madhab Raj Ghimire
39. Dr. Madhav Prasad Ghimire
40. Dr. Mahesh Raj Pant
41. Prof. Dr. Malakh Lal Shrestha
42. Dr. Mandira Lamichhane
43. Dr. Manfred Treu
44. Dr. Meghnath Dhimal
45. Dr. Menuka Maharjan
46. Prof. Dr. Narayan Adhikari
47. Mr. Narayan Bahadur Shrestha
48. Er. Narendra Bhupal Malla
49. Dr. Netra Lal Bhandari
50. Mr. Nitesh K. Shrestha
51. Prof. Dr. Novel Kishor Rai
52. Ms. Oshin Sharma
53. Mr. Prabin Raj Sharma
54. Mr. Prachan Karanjit
55. Prof. Dr. Pradeep Bhattarai
56. Mr. Pramesh Pradhan
57. Ar. Prana Shrestha
58. Prof. Dr. Prem Bahadur Thapa
59. Mr. Prithbi Man Thapa
60. Mr. Raja Ram Aryal
61. Prof. Dr. Rajendra Joshi
62. Dr. Rajendra K.C.

UPDATED LIST OF NEGAAS MEMBERS

NAME

63. Mr. Rajendra Kumar Karki
64. Mr. Rajendra Pradhananga
65. Mr. Rajesh Joshi
66. Dr. Ram Prasad Dhital
67. Mr. Ram Pratap Thapa
68. Mr. Ram Singh Thapa
69. Prof. Dr. Ramesh Kumar Maskey
70. Prof. Dr. Rameshwar Adhikari
71. Er. Ravi Khanal
72. Dr. Rishi Shah
73. Mr. Rom Raj Lamichhane
74. Dr. Roshana Shrestha
75. Ms. Rubika Shrestha
76. Ar. Rumi Singh Maharjan
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This year's Newsletter edition stands as a testament to the unwavering commitment of our life members, well wishers, and supporters in fostering the rich tapestry of academic collaboration between Nepal and Germany. This newsletter summarizes all the works done in this tenure of the current executive team and welcomes and wishes all the best to the new executive team.

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