

## **"Opening Ceremony for the Startup Support and Entrepreneurship Training for DAFI Scholars at IMSciences " on September 20, 2024**

IMSciences hosted the Opening Ceremony for the Startup Support and Entrepreneurship Training for DAFI Scholars at IMSciences.

Dr. Usman Ghani, Director of IMSciences, extended a warm welcome to our distinguished guests and participants, emphasizing IMSciences' leadership and pioneering role in business incubation and entrepreneurial management. His address highlighted the institute's ongoing commitment to fostering innovation and entrepreneurship among youth.

Mr. Arshid Rashid, Chief Programs Officer at PPAF, underscored the critical role of skill-building in poverty alleviation through the Poverty Graduation Program. His remarks resonated with the overarching goal of the program, focusing on equipping young entrepreneurs with the skills necessary for sustainable growth.

Dr. Qazi Waheed, Head of the Business Incubation Center (BIC) at IMSciences, provided an insightful overview of the BIC's achievements, resources, and the program's unique strengths. He outlined the structure of the upcoming 4-month training program, which is specifically designed to empower young entrepreneurs with the tools, mentorship, and strategic support essential for success.

Mr. Amad, Executive Director of IDEA, reflected on the strong and enduring partnership between IMSciences and IDEA, expressing confidence in IMSciences' pivotal role in driving entrepreneurial success and innovation across the region.

The event concluded with a guided campus tour, where participants had the opportunity to explore IMSciences' state-of-the-art facilities, gaining insight into the dynamic environment that supports entrepreneurship and innovation.

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