Professor Salim Rashid is honored by AEDSB and BDI

A special AEDSB-BDI session was organized at the BDI-CSAS International Conference to honor Prof. Salim Rashid. Prof. Fahad Khalil and Prof. Munir Quddus moderated the session. In the session, a plaque was presented to Prof. Rashid from the two organizations, AEDSB and BDI, as a small token of our immense debt and gratitude to him. The four papers that were presented at the session:

- Ali Khan, Johns Hopkins University - “The Reception of Nonstandard Analysis in Economics: Remarks on the Contributions of Salim Rashid”
- M. G. Quibria, Morgan State University - “Salim Rashid’s Contribution to Development Economics”
- Dean Peterson, Seattle University - “Salim Rashid, the History of Economics and the Formation of Young Economists”
- Edward McPhail, Dickinson College - “Rational Reconstruction and the (In)efficient Transmission of Ideas: Some Lessons from Salim Rashid’s Contributions to the History of Economic Thought”

The presenters discussed Prof. Rashid’s contributions in Mathematical Economics, Development Economics, and History of Economic Thought. Prof. Rashid’s family members and Prof. Rehman Sobhan (Center for Policy Dialogue) were present among others in the audience.

A Short Bio of Prof. Salim Rashid

Professor Salim Rashid is one of Bangladesh’s best known economists. He studied at London School of Economic (BSc) and Yale University (PhD). He taught for many years at Dartmouth College and University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (UIUC). He is widely published in a number of areas in economics – including the history of economic ideas, mathematical economics, and economic development. He has over 100 journal articles and a number of books to his credit.

In 1992-95, Professor Rashid served as a Special Advisor to the President of North South University. He has been a consultant for international organizations, such as the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank. He is currently one of the editors of the
Journal of Asia Pacific Economy and the past President of the Association for Economic and Development Studies on Bangladesh.
As the director of the graduate program in economics at UIUC, Professor Rashid supervised and mentored a number of scholars completing their doctoral work. He has been a strong proponent of long-term planning for Bangladesh, and has suggested that smaller self-sufficient well-planned communities called Compact Townships may provide solutions to a number of environmental and urbanization challenges faced by Bangladesh over the next 50 to 100 years. Upon his recent retirement from UIUC, he has been traveling all over the world teaching and conducting research in various universities. He has recently completed a manuscript titled, Compact Townships: The Magic of Ten Percent Growth to be published by UPL.