**Workshop on Quality Assurance in E-Learning**

Directorate of Quality Enhancement (DQE) of Virtual University of Pakistan in collaboration with Commonwealth of Learning, Canada organized a two days workshop on **“**Quality Assurance in E-Learning” through webinar**.** The theme of the workshop was to plug the gaps between policy makers (HEC) and implementers (Universities). The workshop aimed to provide a forum to all the participants from Quality Enhancement Cells of different DAIs (Degree Awarding Institutions), academicians, and administrators for the exchange of best practices in current situation emerged due to COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the workshop also aimed to serve as a great opportunity to those DAIs who have introduced e-learning.

The workshop day 1 proceedings started with recitation of the Holy Quran followed by welcome address delivered by Mr. Neem Tariq, Rector Virtual University of Pakistan. Thereafter, Dr. Syed Abdul Majid (Advisor Quality Enhancement, Virtual University of Pakistan) delivered a comprehensive lecture on **“Internal Quality Assurance”** and **“External Quality Assurance”**. He discussed about the significance of internal and external quality assurance and how they work in DAIs, in general and in e-learning, in particular. After that, Dr. Nadia Tahir (Managing Director, Quality Assurance Agency, HEC Pakistan) presented a general orientation on awareness about QAA and its role in improving quality of higher education.

On 2nd day of the workshop, Dr. Zahid Majeed, (Director, Academic Planning and Course Production Allama Iqbal Open University Islamabad, Pakistan) enlightened the audience with **“AAOU Framework of QA”** and **“Commonwealth of Learning Framework/model/design and eLearning”**. He discussed in detail the implications of the said models in current scenario of e-learning and the applicable quality assurance standards. Afterwards, Ms. Irfana Aslam Ghouri (Manager Quality Assurance, Virtual University of Pakistan) and Mr. Muhammad Azeem (Manager Quality Assurance, Virtual University of Pakistan) delivered comprehensive talks on **“Role of Institutions in Assuring Quality of E-learning”** and **“Promoting Quality Assurance in E-learning”** respectively. The workshop concluded with a positive note and vote of thanks to all the participants from Mr. Naeem Tariq (Rector, Virtual University of Pakistan).