

Proposed Book Titled:
The Developing-8 Organization for Economic Cooperation:
Synergies, Cooperation and Trajectories.
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In the realm of global economic collaborations, the Developing-8 Organization for Economic Cooperation (D-8) stands as a testament to the power of regional alliances in fostering sustainable growth and prosperity. Established in 1997 with a vision to enhance trade, investment, and socio-economic cooperation, the D-8 comprises eight strategically positioned countries across Africa, Asia, and Europe, namely **Bangladesh, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, and Türkiye.**

The history of the D-8 is deeply rooted in the Istanbul Declaration, where leaders from Bangladesh, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, and Türkiye recognized the need for a collaborative platform to harness their collective economic potential. Over the past 27 years, the D-8 has undergone significant transformations, adapting to the changing global economic landscape, while staying true to its core principles of solidarity and mutual benefit.

This book serves as a crucial endeavour to document and analyze the progress made by the D-8 member nations in various spheres of economic cooperation. From trade agreements and investment initiatives to tourism, industry, small and medium enterprises, collaborative science, technology, and agriculture projects, the D-8 has made substantial strides in enhancing regional integration and leveraging collective strengths for sustainable development.

We invite scholars, policymakers, and experts to contribute their insights, providing a nuanced understanding of the D-8's journey. Through this book, we aspire to contribute to the scholarly discourse on regional economic cooperation and provide a valuable resource for those interested in the D-8's role in fostering synergetic relationships and shaping economic trajectories.

Thematic Areas

- Historical Origin of the D-8 Organization: Origin, Objectives, Structure, and Decision Making
- D-8 Member States: Economic Profiles, Sectors and Opportunities
- Trade, Investments and Economic Cooperation
- Agriculture and Food Security
- Industrial Cooperation and Technological Collaboration
- Energy
- Small and Medium Enterprises
- Tourism
- Human Capital Development
- Challenges and Opportunities for D-8 Organization: Navigating Global Economic Dynamics

*Scholars are at liberty to propose and write on other topical issues related to D-8 Organization areas of cooperation.

Objectives of the Book Project

1. The purpose/objective of this book project is to comprehensively document and analyze the progress and achievements of the Developing-8 Organization for Economic Cooperation (D-8) in various spheres of economic collaboration, especially in the priority areas of cooperation of the Organization.
2. The book aims to offer a detailed understanding of the D-8's journey since its inception, focusing on its historical origin, objectives, structure, and decision-making processes.
3. Furthermore, the book seeks to provide insights into the economic profiles, sectors, and opportunities within each of the D-8 member states. It delves into specific areas of cooperation such as trade, investments, agriculture, industrial collaboration, technology sharing, energy, small and medium enterprises (SMEs), tourism, and human capital development.
4. Through scholarly contributions and expert insights, the book aims to shed light on the significance of economic cooperation in the D-

8 in fostering sustainable growth, economic integration, and leveraging collective strengths for mutual benefit. It also aims to highlight challenges faced by the D-8 member nations and explore opportunities for navigating global economic dynamics in an ever-changing landscape.

5. Overall, the objective of this book project is to contribute to the scholarly discourse on economic cooperation, provide a valuable resource for policymakers, scholars, and experts interested in the D-8's role, and offer recommendations for strengthening and expanding economic collaborations within the D-8 framework.

Benefits of the book Project

The book project on the Developing-8 Organization for Economic Cooperation (D-8) offers several benefits:

Comprehensive Documentation: The project aims to comprehensively document the history, objectives, structure, and achievements of the D-8 organization. By providing a detailed account of the organization's journey over the past decades, the book becomes a valuable resource for understanding its evolution and contributions to regional economic cooperation.

Insight into Member States: Through economic profiles, sectors analysis, and opportunities exploration, the book provides insights into the individual member states of the D-8. This information is crucial for policymakers, investors, and scholars interested in understanding the economic dynamics of D-8 Organization and that of its Member States and identifying potential areas for collaboration.

Analysis of Economic Cooperation: By dedicating chapters to various aspects of economic cooperation such as trade, investments, agriculture, industry, technology, energy, SMEs, tourism, and human capital development, the book offers in-depth analysis and evaluation of the D-8's economic initiatives. This analysis helps in assessing the effectiveness of existing programs and identifying areas for improvement.

Policy Implications and Recommendations: The book project aims to offer policy implications and recommendations based on the analysis of challenges and opportunities faced by the D-8 member nations. These recommendations can inform policymakers and stakeholders on strategies to enhance economic cooperation, address common challenges, and capitalize on emerging opportunities.

Educational Resource: The book serves as an educational resource for academic institutions, research organizations, and students interested in studying regional economic cooperation, international relations, and development economics. It provides a comprehensive overview of the D-8 organization and its role in shaping economic trajectories in the member states. In addition, it provides needed publicity and awareness about D-8 within the academic and policy community.

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