
Seminars on Strategic Dialogues in 2019

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Summary

As shown by the related research studies, one of the most crucial challenges faced by the pension funds at strategic level is “the lack of knowledge as regards social insurances and the related culture”, which is widespread among different groups of the society. The domain of this challenge is not just limited to ordinary citizens, but it is vividly experienced by decision-making centers as well. Accordingly, from the strategic perspective, pension funds are required to take some actions to address this challenge. The reason for so doing is that, pension funds are already associated with the negative concepts of crisis and sometimes even with mega-crisis; therefore, having wrong and mistaken understanding about the pension funds will make the matters worse. One of the effective strategies to approach the issue is to form a coherent and consistent discourse in the society and to provide the experts of the field, pension funds managers, and policy makers with a chance to have a constructive dialogue.

Taking the aforementioned points into account, SPSI has decided to hold consecutive seminars and include strategic dialogues in their agenda since 2018. In the meetings the experts and pioneers in specific fields are invited and they discuss various dimensions of issues related to pensions and social insurances. All the dialogues being exchanged in the meetings are documented by SPSI at the end of each year.

The topics addressed in 2019 were as follows:

A critical evaluation of the book entitled *The Nightmare of Getting Retired*; The Analysis of the Connecting Dimensions of Tax System and Social Security System; a critical evaluation of a translated book entitled *Brain Rules for Aging Well* by John Medina; Unwritten Issues Regarding Pension Systems Reforms; Introducing Models and Factors Determining Interracial Transfers; The Barriers of Pension System Reforms; a critical evaluation of the translated book entitled *Social Insurance and Social Justice* by Rogne et al.; a critical evaluation of the book entitled *Retirement, A Peace Harbor (I Feel Like Having a Better Retirement)*; Consumer Behavior of CSPF’s Retired Members; Introducing Economic and Social Base of CSPF’s Retired Members.