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Dr. Yasar Ayaz holds a PhD specializing in Robotics & Machine Intelligence from Tohoku University, Japan and is currently the Chairman / Central Project Director of National Center of Artificial Intelligence (NCAI) of Pakistan. He is also the Head of Department of Robotics and Artificial Intelligence at the School of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering (SMME) of National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST), Pakistan. Furthermore, he has been awarded with honorary title of Specially-Appointed Associate Professor by Tohoku University, Japan. In addition, he is the Founder and President of IEEE Robotics and Automation Society of Pakistan and Deputy Chairman of the National Technology Foresight Panel on Robotics at the Pakistan Council for Science and Technology (PCST).

Dr. Yasar has authored more than 80 international publications and reviews a number of major journals in the areas of Robotics, Artificial Intelligence and Bioengineering. His research has been cited by top universities of more than 13 countries and he has claimed a number of national and international awards for his research.

In May, 2014 Dr. Yasar was conferred with President's Gold Medal by President of Pakistan for being the Overall Best Teacher of NUST which is the highest performance award of NUST that is given on the basis of overall teaching performance. Dr. Yasar has also been featured in Who's Who in the World, Berkeley, USA as a leading International Researcher and Academician since 2013 to present.

He has also been named among the Top 100 Educators of the World by the International Biographical Center of Cambridge, UK. In March, 2017 the National Academy of Young Scientists (NAYS) Pakistan has also named Dr. Yasar Ayaz as one of the Top 20 Most Eminent Scientists of Pakistan.

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