



DAY 1: October 3rd, 2026

8:00am*	Registration & Continenal Breakfast
9:00am	Welcome: Land Acknowledgement
9:30am	Keynote: The Sikh Diaspora in a New World: Challenges, Opportunities, New Heights <i>Dr. Manmohan Singh Kumar, Economist, Former IMF Division Chief, Investor, Philanthropist & Scholar, USA</i>
10:30am	Sunia mania manu kita bhau (Translation: Hearing and listening, Remembering and embracing, Passionate and transformative loving) <i>Dr. Sandeep Kaur Glover, Simon Fraser University, Canada</i>
11:00am	Break
11:30am	Sovereign State of Punjab Under Maharaja Ranjit Singh <i>Dr. Anjum Dara, Deputy Director, Directorate General of Archaeology, Govt. of Punjab, Pakistan</i>
12:00pm	From Ancestry to Academia: Crossing Paths and Walking Together <i>Valerie Cross, Director, Community Engagement, Simon Fraser University, Canada</i>
12:30pm	Lunch
1:30pm	Digital Transformation of Gurdwaras: Fintech, Artificial Intelligence, and Smart Infrastructure in Canada, the United States, and Punjab (India) <i>Dr. Gurdip Singh Batra, Pro Vice Chancellor, Desh Bhagat University, Punjab, India</i>
2:00pm	Navigating Research and Community Engagement in Sikh Studies <i>Professor Opinderjit Kaur Takhar, MBE, RoundGlass Foundation, USA</i>
2:30pm	GNI Research Project: Gurbani Arth Milaan <i>Dr. Gurmail Singh, Punjabi University, Patiala, India; Dr. Harjinder Singh Sandhu, AI Entrepreneur, USA; Mandeep Singh Sajjan, IT Manager, Guru Nanak Institute of Global Studies</i>
3:10pm	Break
3:25pm	Youth Voices
3:55pm	Focused Session: Role of AI in Global Post-Secondary Education <i>Dr. Sarabjot Singh, Co-Founder & CEO, Tattras Data, Former Associate Professor, University of Warwick, UK</i>
4:45pm	Day 1 Summary <i>Dr. Baljit Singh, VP Research, University of Saskatchewan, Canada</i>
6:00pm	Dinner and Fireside Chat with The Honourable Senator, Baltej Singh Dhillon

DAY 2: October 4, 2026

8:00am*	Registration & Continenal Breakfast
9:00am	Welcome Remarks
9:30am	Sikh Organizations Where have we been? <i>Dr. Gurmail Singh, Assistant Professor, Religious Studies, Punjabi University, Patiala, India</i> Where are we now, and where are we going? <i>Santbir Singh, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Sociology, York University, Canada</i>
10:30am	GNI --> GNU Vision <i>Gian Singh Sandhu, President and CEO, Guru Nanak Institute of Global Studies</i>
11:00am	Break
11:20am	Rapid Fire Presentations: Sikh Organizations
1:00pm	Lunch & Group Picture
2:00pm	Rapid Fire Presentations: Sikh Organizations <i>Continued</i>
2:30pm	Panel Discussion - Evolving Role of Gurduara & Sangat/Community Needs
3:30pm	Break
3:45pm	Open Discussion: Working Together for Sarbat da Bhala
4:45pm	Day 2 Summary & Closing Remarks <i>Dr. Satpal Singh, Summit Co-chair, Professor Emeritus, State University of New York, Buffalo, USA</i>