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According to Islamic beliefs woman and man are supplement each other. Both of them are responsible for sins at the same level and are equal to be honored by Allah’s mercy and pardon.

There are many women in Islamic world who hold different high level positions. The first person who was honored in Islam is Khadija (apbh) highly beloved and respected by the Prophet (pbuh). Âishe (pbuh) was a reference lady scholar and one of the pioneers of hadith narrating. There are many female companions (sahaba) who had achieved great things and became famous. The number of women with high status back in history as well as nowadays is too high to be ignored.

According to Islam that promotes lifelong education of both Muslim woman and man also states that in civil, trade and criminal affairs and religious liabilities woman and man have equal rights and responsibilities except peculiarities born from physical distinction.

It is true that during particular periods and places Muslims didn’t adhere to these principles, but other communities were able to promote women rights which were set by Islam 1400 years ago, only by the 19th and 20th centuries. On the other hand, today’s Islamic world has to overcome a great distance regarding women’s position within the society.

Modern age’s developments such as industrialization, urbanization and scientific revolution made obligatory participation of all individual members of the society in the process of production. In contrary, religious Muslim women, somehow managed to settle their lives into rural areas, later faced greater difficulties in adapting their lives in modern cities than men. Because along with the mass education and work responsibilities public opinion on women, forced religious women to make a decision between sever relations or became a member of that community in unwanted way.

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With migration from rural areas to cities in modern times, achieving respective status became a necessity for women alongside with men. In modern period where importance of power is increasing, when powerful being considered right (!), and weak being mercilessly suppressed, environment has emerged where women who physically weaker than men suffer most.

Western women who used to work at the same level as men but couldn't receive what they deserve, in the course of the time were able achieve considerable results in terms of improving women rights. Sometimes these efforts led to the serious exaggerations and emergence of approaches that pitted women against men.

Meanwhile, the Islamic world also being affected by industrialization, urbanization, communication and logistic areas, and because of Islamic world's both unique cultural acquis regarding women as well as lack in following up West in terms of economic development, the struggle for women right didn't develop as same as in West.

Whereas, the Islamic world as it like in every matter, must put forth its own distinctive approach in dealing with women issues in modern period.

In Islam characteristics such as gender, color or race aren't considered as a factor of superiority; **superiority only means protection from evil and ground for competition in well being.** In this regard, woman - man relations in Islam are of complementary nature; woman men's, and men woman's integral part.

In the **World Muslim Women Summit and Exhibition | WISE 2018** which will be realized within the frameworks of **World Islamic Forum**, along with complementary relations of woman - man, the discussion platform and activities are planned to be organized where participants from all over the world in interactive atmosphere will discuss universal issues and look for universal solutions and suggest them to deal with problems of Muslim women facing in modern period.

The main goal of this event is to create discussion field on these issues, and make an intellectual contribution to the perspectives of building soft power/public diplomacy of Islamic world and women governance. **Parallel to macro discussions, projected workshops studies' call of paper was adopted to be prepared project/policy-based so that project/policy proposals can be discussed and concrete results can be achieved.**

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Main Topic

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Sub Topics

Women and Men; Competition in Well Being

Women's Role in Building Power, Justice and Civilization

New Global Balance, Competition Parameters and Woman

Changing Nature of State, Expectation Management and Woman

Model Role in Building Human Capital; Mother

Policy/Project Workshops

Women Perspectives/Policy Advices/Projects for Women;

- Education and Science
- Business Life and Entrepreneurship
- Social Life, Politics and Religion
- Health, Social Security and Employment
- Technology and Innovation
- Defense and Security
- Social Policies and Civil Society
- Energy, Water and Food
- Economy and Finance
- Culture and Tourism
- Art and Literature
- International Development Cooperation
- Urban and Local Governance
- Thought and Academy
- International Diaspora

THEMATIC ACTIVITIES

International Women and Peace Building Conference 2018

World Conference on Muslim Women's NGOs 2018

Young Muslim Women Conference 2018

World Muslim Women's Culture Festival 2018

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The first **Think Tanks Forum of the Islamic Countries** under the main topic “Peace, Civilization and Cooperation” was conducted by **OIC** Organization of Islamic Cooperation in cooperation with **TASAM** Turkish Asian Center for Strategic Studies on 28-30 January 2010 In Istanbul. With the “**Istanbul Declaration**” accepted at the end of the **Forum**, Think Tanks Platform of the Islamic Countries (ISTTP) was established to bring together knowledge and experiences of think tanks of the Islamic Countries to activate joint communication and cooperation opportunities. Each year under the various topics Forum was held in Istanbul, Baku, Cairo, Bagdad and Islamabad. With Islamabad Declaration adopted at the end of the 6th Forum which was conducted in **6-8 March 2015 in Islamabad** and hosted by TASAM and Pakistan Senate Defense Committee, it has been decided to change activity’s title to **World Islamic Forum (WIF)** to make it more inclusive. So the 7th World Islamic Forum was held in 24-25 May 2016 in Yazd-Iran.

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The proposal to arrange World Muslim Women Summit and Exhibition (WISE) was first put forward to in a discussion during UNAOC Global Forum held in Bali - Indonesia as the date of August in 2014, was also presented to the Board Members during the World Islamic Forum held in Istanbul. Afterwards, this proposal was agreed upon as an accepted sense during the World Islamic Forum which was organized by the attendance of the president of Pakistan in Islamabad last year. Later on, an official letter was received which invites Malaysia to be host country from the Organization of Islamic Cooperation. The first WISE whose main theme signaled “Muslim Woman: Silk as Soft, Strong as Iron”, was held on September 23rd-25th, 2016 in Kuala Lumpur with high attendance and achievement, in cooperation of World Islamic Forum (WIF), International Islamic University Malaysia, Department of Islamic Development Malaysia (JAKIM), Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development Malaysia, Turkey based women NGOs and Turkish Asian Center for Strategic Studies (TASAM). Based on Kuala Lumpur declaration, it is honorably accepted that with global institutionalization the 2017 Summit will be held in Turkey.

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