“MUSLIM WOMEN IN THE MIDST OF CHANGE”

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VENUE: KUALA LUMPUR CONVENTION CENTRE
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Who should attend

1. General public
2. Young professionals
3. NGOs
4. Academia
5. Representatives from Islamic and Government institutions
6. International participants

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Registration Fee

Before 31st Aug: RM 500 per pax
(includes conference dinner on 1st September)
On site registration: RM 600

Please tick appropriately.

Payment Declaration:
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Introduction

The status, role and real world situation of Muslim women have occupied a central position in present discussions on Islam and the modern world, alongside the much questioned capability of Muslims to deal with democratic values and modern day ideas on human rights.

This stems mainly from the actual condition of women in Muslim societies that was contributed by local traditions and practices than due to Islam itself. Nonetheless, it has to be recognized that the Islamic position and specific teachings with regard to gender equity, the institution of the family, personal and social behavioural mores do not accord with secular liberalism's notion of gender equality and individual liberty.

The Muslim Professionals Forum (MPF) as a Muslim NGO that concerns itself with issues relevant to Islam and Muslims in the wider world and also within the context of modern, pluralistic Malaysian society, endeavours to address these issues by organizing an international conference on “MUSLIM WOMEN IN THE MIDST OF CHANGE”

Objectives

1. To understand the history and evolution of feminist “traditions” within Islam.
2. To discuss Muslim gender roles from the Quran and Sunnah.
3. To examine the injustices against women in Muslim societies and recommend solutions.