

**International Conference on Women Empowerment: Social Development of Women Refugees Living in Malaysia (2022)**

**Banquet Hall**

**Rectory Building, International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM), Gombak, Selangor.**

**December 10, 2022**

**Organized by**

**Department of Fundamental & Inter-Disciplinary Studies, FIDS, AHAS KIRKHS, IIUM**

**In Collaboration with:**

**The Office of Sejahtera Centre for Sustainability and Humanity, IIUM**

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**The International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT), East and Southeast Asia**

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**International Institute for Muslim Unity (IIMU-ISTAC)**

**Rationale**

It is the goal of the Department of Fundamental and Inter-Disciplinary Study, Kulliyyah of Islamic Revealed Knowledge and Human Sciences (FIDS, AHAS KIRKHS, IIUM) in collaboration with 1. The Office of Sejahtera Centre for Sustainability and Humanity, IIUM, 2. The International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT), East and Southeast Asia and 3. International Institute for Muslim Unity (IIMU-ISTAC) to organize an International Conference on Women Empowerment: Social Development of Women Refugees Living in Malaysia (2022) with the target of engaging IIUM students in community engagement and its Flagship activities related to the Insan Sejahtera activities and sustainable development.

Women’s empowerment is known as the elevation of their common sense, self-worthiness, determination of their own choices, and the right to social change for themselves and others. Empowering women indicates the basis of human rights prevailing in our peaceful and prosperous world. Women’s right is now a part of a major global movement, and Days like International Women’s Empowerment Day is also gaining momentum. However, despite much progress, women and children continue encountering discrimination and violence in every part of the globe.

Though we hear and read news on the suffering of women on a daily basis, the reality on the ground is more horrendous and pathetic. Undeniably, displaced women refugees living in the camps and the areas earmarked for their residence suffer from marginalization, gender-based violence and child marriage. Some are kidnapped, trafficked or forced into marriage due to poverty.

This conference will address women refugees’ issues and challenges, their rights to protect their social life, and their children's access to education from Islamic perspectives. We are hopeful that this conference will bring the latest, actual and current information on the sufferings endured by the refugees. Deliberations during the conference will come up with resolutions that will pave the way for developing the social status of the women refugees living in Malaysia.

**Conference Objectives**

The conference seeks to address the following issues for exploring and sharing perspectives among intellectuals and professionals:

1. Explore Myanmar Muslim women’s living conditions in the camps and their authorized residential areas.
2. Understand the social status, including the customs of their social life, marriage, divorce, etc.
3. Discover the social illness, domestic violence, and criminal activities in their houses and environment.
4. Discover the consequences and difficulties faced by Malaysian society due to the lack of proper education for their children.
5. Bring together experts and professionals to share their perspectives on the development of the social status of women refugees.
6. Discuss perspectives and methods of transformation and leadership through the effective linkage of creativity, innovation and sustainability;

**Conference Theme:**

*Leading the Ummah through the spirit of Insan Sajahtera, Community Empowerment, the Sustainability of Community and the Prosperity of Mankind*

**Venue:** Banquet Hall, Rectory Building, International Islamic University Malaysia

**Date:** 10th  December 2022, Saturday

**Time:** 8:00 am to 5:00 PM

**Main Organizer**

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**10 December 2022**

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| **Date/Time** | **Activity** |  |
| 8.00-8.30am | Arrival of Guests and Participants, Plus Registration |  |
| 8.30am-9.00am | Arrival of VIPs |  |
| 9.00am-9.02am | Opening with Quranic Recitation, Surah Al Fatihah  by **Brother Aqif** | 2 m |
| 9.02am-9.05am | Welcoming Speech by the Conference Chairman  **Dr. Maulana Akbar Shah @U Tun Aung** | 3 m |
| 9.05am- 9.10am | **Opening remarks**  by Prof. Shukran Abdul Rahman, Dean of AHAS, KIKHS, IIUM | 5m |
| 9.10am-9:30am | **Speech by the Honorable Rector of IIUM, Tan Sri Prof. Dzulkifli Abdul Razak**  Empowering Women Refugees Living in Malaysia | 20-m |
| 9.30am-9.40am | **Thomas Albrecht**  **Representative of UNHCR**  Empowering Women: UNHCR Protection Activities with regard to Women Refugees living in Malaysia | 10-m |
| 9:40 am-9.50am | **Prof. Abdul Aziz Berghout**  Importance of Family and WomenEmpowerment in Muslim Minorities as Integrated in the OIC Strategy | 10-m |
| 9:50-am-10:00am | **Prof. Dawood Al-Hidabi**  **Director of IIMU, IIUM**  Promotion of Social Status for Women Refugee Living in Malaysia | 10-m |
| 10:00am-10:20am | **Coffee Break** |  |
| 10:20am-11:10am | **Plenary Session**  **Session: 1- Chairperson: Dr.Abdul Wahed Nuri**  **1.Dr Abdul Latif bin Abd Razak**  Faith (Iman) in Women Empowerment: What, Why and How  **2. Dr Abbas Abdul Razak**  The Plight of the Diasporic Muslim Community in the West  **3. Dr Alizaman D Gamon**  Understanding Women Empowerment: An Epistemological Approach  **4. Dato Hamidon**  Sejahtera Youth and Single Mother (YSM) in REC greater gombak  **5. Dr Bashar Bakour**  The Moral-sexual Empowerment of Women and Children in Hadith Literature | Each presenter will be given 10 minutes |
| 11:10 am-12:10 am | **Plenary Session**  **Session: 2- Chairperson: Dr Aliza bin Elias**  **6.Dr Norillah binti Abdullah**  Empowering Thinking of Muslim Women Refugees Through the Pedagogy of *Hikmah*  **7.Dr Zuraidah binti Kamaruddin**  Economic Empowerment of Women from an Islamic perspective  **8. Dr Maulana Akbar Shah @ U Tun Aung**  Empowering Women; developing the social status of  women refugees living in Malaysia  **9. Dr Salah**  Fostering Creativity Among Muslim Women  Refugees: The Use of Effective tools to Manage The Daily Life Problems in the Camps  **10. Dr. Nur Jannah**  Empowering Mothers Against a Malaysian Societal Convention: An Islamic Perspective**.**  **11.Dr Kabuye Osman**  Women Empowerment in the Light of the Qur’an  and Sunnah |  |
| 12.10am -1.00pm | **Students’ Research Presentation: 1st Session**  1. UNGS 2380 Sect 13  Presenter: Khaleeda Dhiya Ardinee Binti Suhaimy and Muhammad Adnin bin Mohd Rasidi  ‘How Poverty Affects Women Refugees in Malaysia (Camps & ARA)’  2. UNGS 2290 (S.17)  Presenter: Hanum Aisha Attartila and Md. Nor Azlan  ‘The Implications of Drug Abuse on the Minority of Refugee Women’  3. CCUB 3164 Section 58 –  Presenter: Nabihah and Nurainis  ‘Poor Level of Social Development Among Myanmar Community at Muslim Edu Care, Selayang’  4. USRAH (s. 28) –  Presenter: Raniya Shah & Sri Aishah  ‘Lack of Education and Access to Schools for Refugees in Malaysia’  5. USRAH (s. 74) –  Presenter: Iffa Alia and Nur Shuhada  ‘The Illicit Relationship between Married Couple Caused by Unsupervised Activities Among Myanmar's Community: Cause and Effect” | 7 Group  Each presenter will be given 10 minutes |
| 1.00pm-2.00pm | Lunch Break and Zohr Prayer |  |
| 2:00pm-3:10 pm | **Students’ Research Presentation: 2nd Session**  6. UNGS 2290 Section 18  Presenter: Irfan Qayyin and tesyin  ‘The Lack of Access to Welfare of Women Refugees in Malaysia’  7. UNGS 2380 Section 14  Presenter: Sabrina & Nabihah  ‘Causes and Impacts of Domestic Violence Among Women Refugees in Malaysia”  8. Usrah in Action Sect 57  Presenter: Alif Shahmi Nurin Zahidah  ‘The Hardship of Refugees in Finding Employability in Malaysia’  9. Usrah in Action Sect 27  Presenter: Qasdina Azlin & Nur Shafinah  ‘Discrimination: A Hazard for Muslim Refugees’  10. UNGS 1301 Sect 18  Presenter: Hafizuddin & Nur Izzati  ‘Domestic Violence Faced by Rohingya Women Refugees in Residential Areas’  11. UNGS 2080 Section 1  Presenter: Kamal & Izzah  ‘Integration and Empowerment of the Myanmar Refugee Community: Benefits and Opportunities’  12. Usrah In Action S.75  Presenter: Nabilah Adnan & Nurainis haizir  ‘Sexual and Gender-Based Violence: A Continuous Misery for Rohingya Community’ | Each presenter will be given 10 minutes |
| 3.10pm-3.30pm | Civil Society Organization, CSO, Presentation   1. Adrian Pereira is the Executive Director and co-founder of North-South Initiative (NSI), Online Zoom. Hybrid Mode. 2. Tuan Razali Bin Latif, JP, BCM, BKT, BKM, PJK, Setiausaha Kehormat | Every spoke person get 10 min to share |
| 3:30pm-4:00pm | Coffee break | Dr Kabuye Sulai-man will lead the drafting of the conference resolution. |
| 4.00pm-5.00pm | Reading of Conference Resolution by the Chairman,  **Dr. Abdul Latif bin Abd Razak, HOD, FIDS, IIUM** |  |
|  | Closing ceremony/remarks  **Dr Abdul Latif bin Abd Razak, HOD, FIDS, IIUM** |  |
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