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Unfortunately, most programs for the study of Islam in Moslem academic institutions are guided by the dogmatic frames of thought that were relevant to past centuries. Unless academic institutions create approaches to Islamic and cultural thought that are relevant to the present era and that accept diversity and respect the rights of humans and women, the human resources of their larger societies will not develop. The combination of the circles forms a multi-crisis identity, where one circle, sometimes, conflicts another.

What do you think is the right approach to integrate Moslem women back into the community? Now that Kosovo is the newest independent country in Europe, its strongest challenge is the integration of the Serb minority. Obviously, it is not easy for a state to deal with a minority that does not accept its right to exist. What are some of the general guidelines that Kosovo, Israel, or any other country with similar problems should adopt to make their minorities feel at home?

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Definition of herself and role in society. Unless women start, first of all, defining themselves as equal human beings and equal cultural partners, they will not be able to represent themselves as such. In the meanwhile most of the women in the Moslem world allow others to represent them and accept silently their inferior role in the political, social, and familial hierarchies.

This is not to say that the issue of women advancement should be seen separated from the advancement of the whole society. On the contrary, the issue of women status in Moslem societies must be seen as a long term structured process that concerns all the society and integral part of its comprehensive processes of developing human resources.

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The vision of Al Qasemi is that our students are proud Moslem Arabs and citizens of 21st century, capable of bridging universal values with the values of their cultural heritage, agents of positive change in their home communities. In our vision, ethnic and religious communities, Moslem ones in particular, should aspire to become human societies of knowledge, active and equal partners in the culture of the world.

It is especially through our unique approach to Islamic Studies and teacher training programs that we try to achieve the vision above, on both the individual and collective levels. We certainly discovered that it is not enough to promote the unique values and approaches to it amongst the members of our local community. A human and critical approach to Islamic studies, one that respects cultural diversity and promotes the values of human rights and women empowerment and life long learning is vital to spread worldwide too, as it will minimize the tension between Islam and other cultures in the world.

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In my opinion, relevant to Moslem societies and academicians evolves around the issue of developing human resources. Moslem societies, either in the Arab world or elsewhere, should create and formulate for themselves a collective identity that will take them above and accelerate the fulfillment of human potential and development of inner resources. Processes of developing human resources have four main cornerstones: human rights, empowering women, spreading knowledge, and freedom. For those to be achieved there is a need for true leadership, a leadership that is aware of the needs and challenges of its community while committed to a creation of a human society of knowledge. A humane and communal leadership of this kind should lead structured processes that pave the way to the institutionalization of the four corner stones of human resource development.

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You have been offering some great insight on the situation of the Israeli Arabs. In today’s world cultural affiliations often come before political ones. What do you think about general trends and features?

The Arab community in Israel is formed of Moslems, Christians and Druze. The combination of the circles forms a multi-crisis identity, where one circle, sometimes, conflicts another. The question that is mostly raised for Arabs in Israel is how to construct a humane coherent identity when one’s external and internal environments are defined, among other things, by their inner or interactive crisis?

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