

Photo Exhibit "Veil(s)"

May 5–12, 2005, LAU, Beirut Campus (Irwin Hall)

The Institute for Women's Studies in the Arab World addressed the issue of the veil through a photographic overview from different parts of the world, a series of quotations from a wide array of persons belonging to different religious, social, political, educational, and cultural backgrounds, as well as personal testimonies. The purpose of the photo exhibit was to promote a better understanding of the veil and to foster a culture of tolerance. The exhibit was also displayed in the *Khan Al-Franj* in Saida from June 17-21, 2005, and this under the patronage of Mrs. Bahia Hariri and in cooperation with the National Society of Saida Festivals.



From Left to Right: LAU President Dr. Joseph Jabbra, IWSAW Director Mona Khalaf and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Abdallah Sfeir



Beijing + 10

February 28–March 6, 2005,
New York

IWSAW Director, Mona Khalaf, attended the 49th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) that took place in New York, and during which the Beijing Declaration and the Platform for Action (Beijing + 10) were reviewed and appraised, and participated in the high-level round table on “Innovations in Institutional Arrangements for promoting Gender Equality at the National Level” held during the session.



From Left to Right: IWSAW Director Mona Khalaf and a conference participant

May 19–20, 2005, Belfast- Ireland

IWSAW Director, Mona Khalaf, attended a conference on “Women and Human Rights: Conflict, Transformation and Change” organized by the University of Ulster. The paper she presented tackled “The Lebanese Woman in the Post Taif Era.”

