

Karamah EU's Activities in 2021

On the 25th of February last year, we organized a cine-club and **screened the movie “Soumaya”** by Ubaydah Abu-Usayd and Waheed Khan, with a follow-up interview of the directors and a live discussion with an audience of more than 80 people. We used this movie as a starting point for in-depth reflections on intersectionality and the need to connect the feminist and anti-racist struggles for equal opportunities and rights, which proved to be highly insightful.

Additionally, to celebrate Muslim Women's Day on the 27th of March, we organised an **online conference titled “Feminism, Islam and Intersectionality: issues and perspectives”**. This online conference was moderated by Karamah EU's President Kim Lecoyer and featured as speakers Dr Malika Hamidi, Leila Aoujdad, Julie Pascoët and Fatima-Zohra Aït El Maâti, who tackled the question of the place of Muslim women within modern societies, with a focus on Muslim feminism, women's rights, intersectionality, islamophobia, and ethnic diversity. In total, around 100 people participated.

Furthermore, we organized in May and April a **workshop titled “Workshop on Conflict Resolution with Islamic perspectives”**. It was given jointly by the internationally renowned conflict resolution specialist Dr. Abdalla and the curriculum designer and textbook writer Nabila Boukri. This workshop was conducted over 5 interactive online sessions held once a week from the 10th of April to the 8th of May. This workshop followed a similar event organized on 19th November 2019 in Antwerp, titled “Principles of Islamic Interpersonal Conflict Resolution” and given by Dr. Amr Abdalla.

Finally, we organized a **face-to-face roundtable discussion, titled “Halaqa”**, on the 30th of September. This roundtable discussion, presided by Kim Lecoyer and Dr Malika Hamidi, gathered attendees around the topics of Muslim women rights, social justice issue, empowerment, and advocacy in an increasingly Islamophobic context. Described as an “important safe space” by attendees (around 20), who expressed themselves freely throughout discussions and debates, we are now planning a follow-up Halaqa in 2022.