CHANGING IRANIAN SOCIETY IN THE DIASPORA

What it means to be Iranian — communication through photography

Presentation and Q&A session by Pari Namazie

When: 12:00–13:30 on 20 May 2016
Where: Vienna International Centre, meeting room M0E79
WiN members free; non-members €5
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Women in Nuclear (WiN) IAEA is inviting an expert on professional skills development and intercultural relations to share her expertise with us.

The Simorgh is a non-profit organization based in Vienna with the aim of developing closer ties and mutual understanding between Iranians, with each other and with the EU and global citizens. The Simorgh recently completed a photography competition called Being Iranian, which asked Iranians and non-Iranians “what it means to be Iranian”. Some 250 participants from all over the world participated sharing around 700 photos. Three main winners were chosen and the top 50 photographs are being published in a book.

Through photography, this project shows how Iranian society and its diaspora are changing, what values exist within and outside Iran, how non-Iranians perceive Iranians and how photography can capture the spirit of a people and culture.

Interestingly, we can extrapolate ideas from it to apply to our own cultures, which Pari will elucidate in her presentation. Please join us for a fascinating encounter.

Dr. Pari Namazie has over 20 years’ experience in human resource management, talent development, training and advancement. She is a trainer/facilitator for staff and management to help improve team work and communication, and to build trust and self-leadership skills. She also works with groups going through change and helps them understand the impact this has on the individual, team and organization. She is managing partner of Atieh International (www.atiehinternational.com).

Pari holds a PhD in International Human Resources Management (2007) from Middlesex Business School in London and a BA (Hons) in Business Studies from the same university. She has published academic articles and books chapters and is a regular speaker at international conferences on HRM, intercultural competence and issues relating to women in the Middle East. She was a keynote speaker at the Risk and Resilience, Society for Intercultural Education Training and Research (SIETAR) USA Conference in Denver in April 2011. Pari is currently serving as the President of SIETAR (Society for Intercultural Education Training and Research) Europa (www.sietareu.org).