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The Selection Committee of the King Faisal International Prize for Islamic Studies (Studies on the Status of Women in Islam) has awarded the 1997 Prize to:

Professor Abdulkareem Zaidan Biej

Professor Zaidan, an Iraqi national, teaches Islamic law at Sana'a University, Yemen. He is a respected authority in this discipline within the Arab world and the author of widely read books and papers on the subject.

The King Faisal International Prize recognizes Professor Zaidan's exceptional contributions to studies on the status of women in Islam as embodied in his 11-volume work entitled A Detailed Study of Women and Family in Islamic Law. Dr. Zaidan's work represents a significant effort to relate the rationale of various aspects of Islamic law to contemporary issues facing women in modern society.