2016 Nishan World Women's Forum (NWWF) is scheduled to take place from November 16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in Nishan, Qufu, the hometown of Confucius, the great ideologist and educator in ancient China.

Initiated and promoted by Mr. Xu Jialu, former Vice Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China, the NWWF is highly acclaimed and welcomed by outstanding females from all walks of life around the world. The objective of the Forum is to establish a humanistic platform for women from across the globe to exchange opinions and engage in productive dialogue.

The main theme of the NWWF is "Women and Sustainable Development of Mankind" with four sub-themes:

- 1) Gender Equality and Sustainable Development;
- 2) Women with Healthy Lifestyle;
- 3) Women with Philanthropy;
- 4) Women with Cultural Heritage.

It is our honor to invite you to the forum and deliver a 10-minute speech on the theme "Gender Equality and Sustainable Development" in the first session.

The opening ceremony of the NWWF and the Fourth Nishan Forum on World Civilizations will be held together as one event for better effect and greater influence. The latter aims to conduct dialogues on ecological problems from the perspectives of evolution and the cultural traditions of various civilizations. Hundreds of guests will be invited to the forum and at the closing ceremony "Declaration on Life of Simplicity" will be published to advocate an environmentally friendly lifestyle the forums support.