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## **BIKINI & BURKA**

*the two extremes of the modern world, first of which should represent a modern pro-Western woman, whose undressing constantly radicalizes in the name of freedom & human rights, and another one supposedly fanatical Muslim woman, wrapped, and trapped, inside the "manly-centric code", to who the first one, a stripper, even when uninvited, run to offer a gender help; while raising her voice to the TNT decibels. And all that jazz, performed upon democratic directives "from above", in order to, by a constructed anti-religious (read, anti-Islamic!) fuss, deconstruct next naked truth:*

*while Bikini (or wider, the clothing of so-called modern women) is being sexy-designed, praised, recommended..., porno-merchandised, Burka (i.e. Islam-prescribed female clothing) is being anathematized, disgraced, politicized, criminalized..., bombarded.*

*The Author/ess of this essay uses the opportunity to quote herself from a Philosophy-symposium as a homage to a Philosopher, Prof. Kasim Prohic, where her appearance caused almost palpable consternation, although she wore at the time slightly more "fundamentalist" dress from the one which could be seen now on her web (click: Biography).*

*But alas! This Muslim/ah (in her age when Qur'an releases her from the obligation to wear a strict hijab) had already been well known to the audience for her two political trials and imprisonments during ex-Yugoslav communist regime, the lot caused by her*

*public, both spiritual and fashion commitment to Islam.*

*What is interesting here is that my performance, as opposed to the teachers', was extremely well received by students participating in the conference. My words from below were for them primarily a sign of the intellectual freedom, which philosophical colloquiums should be apt to, any way.*

*Namely, before starting with my discourse, I said, in an atmosphere, which would make a little less brave speechless or run away headlong, and in my defence, next:*

*"A modern woman is not the one wearing her makeup or hair-dress on her head, but Heisenberg's "uncertainty principle" in her head, instead."*

*Things are apparently being radicalized in a communist way throughout Western, so-called democratic, world. The confirmation came to me soon through local and broader fate of this the West-commissioned essay.*

*See:*

<http://bosnawi.ba/en/engagement/232-bikini-burka>

<http://bosnawi.ba/en/essay/169-deconstruction-of-deconstruction>