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Dr. Meshgan Mohammed Al Awar, a candidate for the 1st Federal National Council elections in the UAE 2006, is counted among the top women achievers of the United Arab Emirates. Dr. Meshgan received her Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Geology with Distinction from UAE University, Al Ain, UAE. She received her PhD in Physical Chemistry (Polymers) from University of Wales College of Cardiff, UK, in 1996.

In October 2003, Dr. Meshgan was offered Participation certificate from NASA in Mars Exploration Rover Mission. She won the Middle East Women's Achievement Award in 2004 for the best Social Contribution. In 1999, Dr. Meshgan was honoured as the best female employee in the Dubai Government Excellence Program/UAE. She has been a visiting Faculty to Center for Remote Sensing, Boston University, from 2006, and was the first lecturer in (ALLEEDS) Seminar organized by The FBI Academy for Middle Eastern and Northern African law enforcement police executives, July 2007. She is also an instructor at the College of Law and Police Sciences (Environment Security) in Dubai Police Academy.

Dr. Meshgan is the Managing editor of the Society & Environment Magazine, a publication of Zayed International Prize for the Environment. She has also served on many environmental projects and organizations such as the Assurance Group for Tire Industry Project for World Business Council for Sustainable Development, UN, NGO-IRENE, ECOSOC (UN), etc. She is associated with the advisory boards of several national and international environmental publications.

As a researcher and scientist, Dr. Meshgan has written research papers on various environmental issues, including vehicle emission, environmental security. Her latest writing achievement, which involved a long period of extensive research, is a chapter on "Using Satellite Images in Policing Urban Environments" in the widely acclaimed book, "Remote Sensing of Urban and Suburban Areas", released by Springer.

Over the years, Dr. Meshgan has campaigned successfully on environmental issues and represented the UAE in countless international conferences and seminars. She is her country's representative to UNESCO's World Commission on the Ethics of Scientific Knowledge and Technology (COMEST).

Recently she has been appointed as the President of Dubai Women Police Council for Community Services.