

Conference Report: A Corpus–assisted Critical Approach to Saudi Women Representations in BBC News. In–depth Analysis: – Examining Generic Representations: Through collocational analysis and word sketching, we uncover prevailing linguistic patterns and semantic associations surrounding Saudi women in BBC news discourse, revealing overarching themes and stereotypes. Objectives and Inquiry: Our primary goal is to dissect the portrayal of Saudi women in BBC news discourse, addressing questions regarding their depiction, emergence of additional social categories, and the diverse roles and identities attributed to them. Utilizing tools such as Wmatrix and Sketch Engine, we explore lexical patterns and semantic nuances to gain insights into the discursive construction of social actors and roles. This study aims to analyze how Saudi women are depicted in BBC news narratives, focusing on the intricate layers of identity construction and social categorization within these representations. Methodological Approach: By employing a corpus–assisted analytical framework, we extract data from BBC news archives spanning from 2008 to 2018. Introduction: In the evolving socio–political context of Saudi Arabia, the portrayal of women in media holds significant importance. Through this inquiry, we seek to illuminate the underlying dynamics shaping media representations of Saudi women. This approach allows for a comprehensive examination of language use and its implications for the portrayal of Saudi women in BBC news.