

***News Letter from  
BPW Italy Fidapa National President  
Eufemia Ippolito***



**BPW Italy Fidapa**



**Your President .... goes on !**

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***Five goals .... give me five!***

Dear Presidents, Dear members,  
during the first meetings with all of you, many times you have expressed the desire to have half  
streamlined communication,  
to be constantly informed about the activities of our Association, the actions taken at national level, the  
relationships with the institutions of everything that can help guide you along the way associative. By the  
example provided by our International President Freda Miriklis, I am here with this news - letter that gives  
me the opportunity to realize the result of faster communication that you hoped.

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### **The start of the organizational machine**

As you have seen the Circular No.1, the massive organizational machine of our Association has started, involving the National Committee of the Presidency, the Council, the Boards of Auditors and off Trustees, the national and international committees, the Taskforces.



### **The new National Council**

#### ***The 7 Presidents of Districts***

My road to the Sections began with the visits to districts; this gave me the opportunity not only to meet the presidents, whom I thank for the great cooperation - from the start - given, but to know many Members of which I have heard and noted the wishes,

### **The national and international theme**

I'm referring you to the guidelines of our Vice President and Past National President, remembering that the national theme must be at least 30% of the Clubs activities .

Do not throw the track of your work: please inform always the National Vice President and also the Chair of "Relations with the Press" Committee, sending the press releases.

#### ***The Task Force***

As you know, and how , many times, I explained in the District meetings, that these are work groups to which I have given the specific tasks and operations. It will be my care and of my Executive Committee, constantly monitor the work and the achievement of the objectives.



### **In program**

### **National Conference**

### **Extraordinary assembly**

**On days 29 and 30 June to 1 July 2012**

**will** be held in Rome the XXXII National Conference to discuss - as usual - the National Theme.

On that occasion, will be called the Extraordinary assembly of Members to approve the amendments to bylaws and Constitution.

the constructive criticism, the appreciation, capitalizing on their suggestions, and their advice, in a fruitful exchange of ideas and experiences.

Soon I will meet those still missing, North East District and Sardinia District .

### **The National Committees**

They are 15 and form a large network of work to better achieve the objectives of this two-year period, with regard to the national and the international theme. Within December 2011 , The national Chairs will have to present to Secretary and National President , their program of action , that the National Council will take care to coordinate and follow .

We will devote ample space in the Next News Letter about their lines of action. It will be my care and of my National Committee, constantly monitor the work and the achievement of objectives.



*La Presidente con la Senatrice Silvana Amati*

### ***The Task Force Health***

Its task is to spread -across the national territory - the campaign on pain therapy and, in particular, of painless childbirth.

Of great interest was the National Conference held in Rome on November 15 last year in the Hall of Acts of Parliament - the Senate Library, sponsored by BPW Italy Fidapa- and by Senators, members of BPW Italy, under the patronage of the Senate.

The components of the Health Task Force, coordinated By Past National President, Luisa Pavesio, gathered in Rome, at the office in Via Piemonte on December 10 to agree a joint action plan in all Districts.

Your presence is important and crucial because, as you know, for the Extraordinary General Assembly , a qualified majority (50% +1) of members with entitled to vote is required.

We will prepare an Assembly ordered in which we'll give ample explanation of amendments made and we'll give to Members the possibility to express their views, according to the rules always practiced at the international level.

We will also the **workshops** but we will inform you of all , soon , with the program and registration form.

We have chosen as the seat of XXXII National Congress, the city of Rome to give an opportunity to all of participate , limiting the discomfort of travel from own city.

### **XIV European Congress.**

**On 28-29-30 September 2012** will be held in Sorrento the XIV European Congress, Just recently we have Defined agreements with the Hilton Hotel which will host the event

This will be a unique opportunity to assert

### ***The International Committees***

As you've read in Circular No. 1, the Italian Members Presidents of international standing committees, are 5, for the period 2011-2014 I recommend to all to send me their program to spread it among the members.



***New York CSW 56 and  
Schedule of BPW events  
February 27 – March 09***

As reported by the International President Freda Miriklis, the date of the Committee on the Status Women at the United Nations, is approaching.. Because of renovations to the

### ***The Task Force***

#### ***Constitution and Bylaw Reform***

The components of this Task Force gathered in Rome last December 4, at the office in Via Piemonte . This Task Force, which has a very specific task of eliminate the inconsistencies and contradictions in our Constitution and Bylaws, will work in compliance time assigned by a special work schedule and by the end of February will deliver the new draft to the three Supervisors who will provide the drafting of the final text, after consultation non-binding of the Legislation Committee.

#### ***The Task Force Entrepreneurship***

There are relevant projects in the program , in collaboration with the Fidapa Foundation and BPW International.

About this , you will be informed too

Representing the Fidapa - BPW Italy, I had the privilege of participating in the 2 to 3 December in Sofia to II International Forum of Women Entrepreneurs, during which- through a report - I was able to bring the

the importance of the Italian Federation within the European context, its organizational capacity, the spirit of unequaled hospitality, elegance and the style of all of us Italian Members .



With the next circular and, as soon as possible , even on the website, we will inform you about the costs and any information useful to your participation, with the program and registration form. The contents will be interesting and will treat the theme

**“Empowering women for leadership”**

**“Womens’innovation fot a sustainable future”**

The official language of the European Congress Is the English. The instant translation in Italian will be provided after

headquarters of the UN and the space limitations, only 20 representatives throughout the BPW will be officially accredited.

However, all BPW members involved in the CSW in New York 56, will have the opportunity to participate in all events organized by NGOs and will be informed of the results of the CSW.

We encourage you to motivate members to participate because the International Federation is preparing a wonderful program of activities and events of the BPW.

For recording the various events just connect to the site

**[www.bpw-international.org](http://www.bpw-international.org)**

Registration is open for the CSW NGO events.

To register the NGO CSW, NY, NGO

Consultation Day reception please visit:

**[www.ngocsw.org](http://www.ngocsw.org)**

The deadline for registration is Friday,

**January 13, 2012**

witness, about the situation of Entrepreneurship of women in Italy, incredibly growing area, especially in southern areas, despite the current period of crisis.



The Forum was attended by Ministers of Bulgaria and by representatives of the embassies of countries Balkans, by representatives of the culture and the academic world, by Dr Tiziana Carlino, Secretary General Italian Chamber of Commerce in Sofia, who has highlight good practices of women's businesses and the need to disclose these practices in European Union countries.

attended by a significant number of Italian Members, thanks to the collaboration of Fidapa Foundation.

The Coordinator of the Organizing Committee, Pinellas Bombaci, together with the Committee, is actively involved in structuring event, taking care of every logistical and structural aspect.



## International Congress Young BPW

The International President Freda Miriklis confirmed that the International Congress Young BPW will be held simultaneously with the European Congress in Sorrento

## The PRINCIPLES Weps

In this period all our actions must be guided



by the principles endorsed in the recent International Congress in Helsinki, the Principles Weps (Women Empowerment Principles). Seven principles are proposed for the study:

- 1) Establishing high-level co

leadership

- for Equal Opportunities
- 2) Treat all women and men in an egalitarian workplace - and to support and respect human rights and non-discrimination
- 3) Ensure the health, safety and well - being of all women and men workers.
- 4) Promote education, training and professional development for women
- 5) Implement enterprise development and marketing practices that give autonomy to the woman
- 6) To promote equality through joint initiatives

and support

Were also present, the Member of Lecce Club , Giusy Ruggieri and Anastasia Safarian, Chair of the International Young.

The Member Cristina Visconti, my representative, took part in Florence at the seminar:

### **The European Union bets on companies in pink.**

organized by the Chamber of Commerce of Florence . The seminar provided to established women entrepreneurs, to the junior and the aspiring, all updates to work on networks and disseminate best good practice and "the knowledge" of women.

### ***Task Force Training***

Thanks, really thanks to the national past presidents that have offered their full cooperation to organize, in sections, special training sessions.

Anyone who has lived the experience of training, in the last two years, he knows how these meetings are unique opportunities to deepen the knowledge of our rules,, to speak of membership ethics, of solidarity and all that

Even through this channel of information, I'm inviting the Clubs to schedule these meetings e open to all members.

I like the words of Past National President, Luisa Pavesio

The Congress of the Young BPW is one of the moments "highlight" of BPW International and the members of the whole world doesn't want to lose it.



The international President , recommended to the Young BPW to contact Anastasia Safarian Chair of the International Young who is lavishing every effort to create a network of emerging leaders of our organization, through innovation technology, creating a true value for affiliates from around the world.

The contact can be made through Itakian representative Anna Giulia Manno to the following email address

**[agiulia.manno@libero.it](mailto:agiulia.manno@libero.it)**

**Our emerging leaders - the Freda President reminds us - are the future of our Federation.**

7) Measure and publicly report on progress towards gender equality. You see how all our activities can be included within these principles that help us to pursue common and more effective lines of action .

*" When you embrace these principles, you reach a large and compact movement of opinion to unleash the power of women and change the world"*

**Ban Ki - moon**

**Secretary General of the United Nations**

**" With these bricks , our action should aim to the happiness I wish you all to enjoy this Fidapa BPW Italy ... that we can build"**

### ***The News***

We will meet next month in January with the Editorial Committee to establish a program and set a new structure to meet the need for visibility and effectiveness of communication

### ***The solidarity***

Ne We need to show much solidarity, dear members, to All Women living in cities affected by the recent floods of Liguria, Tuscany, Sicily.

By resolution of the CPN we approved a contribution to their districts; many members have contributed independently; of this, I thank them.

To all of you, I ask you to pay at least one euro , as sign of loving solidarity, a small gesture, a caress to many people who are suffering.

Each of you can relate to club President and to District President  
Together, we will make a real strength.

***It's Christmas***

*Love, the only real hope  
to be exchanged!*



***Merry Christmas,  
dear members, Eufemia***

