



2008 PROGRAMME SURVEY

Attached is a copy of the online 2008 Programme Survey. Several NFAs and individual members have indicated that they would like to be able to see the questions in print format in order to reflect and discuss the questions before posting their responses online. We encourage all members to take part. It is an excellent opportunity to share your ideas on how IFUW can provide programmes and resources that will be most effective for our work at all levels. To complete the online form, go to:

<http://www.surveymethods.com/EndUser.aspx?94B0DCC396D3C5C7>.

IFUW GLOBAL HIGHLIGHTS

Attached is a copy of IFUW's newest electronic publication **Global Highlights** features news about IFUW's international advocacy work and national action. It will be published four to five times per year, alternating with the IFUW Board & Committee Updates. The publication will be available in a PDF format to facilitate sharing and printing, as well as an online version at <http://www.ifuw.org/publications/>. National and branch leaders are encouraged to send news and photos to ifuw@ifuw.org for inclusion in the newsletter and the IFUW website. Photos should preferably be 150 resolution or higher.

RESULTS OF THE WRITTEN VOTES OF COUNCIL ON FINANCE QUESTIONS

Twenty-nine national federations and associations, plus the six IFUW Board Members participated in the two written votes on finance questions that closed on 31 October. Both measures passed. The vote to approve the 2007 Accounts as presented in Circular 5/2008 was 35 in favour, 0 against, 0 abstentions. The vote to approve the Guidelines for IFUW Functional Accounting as presented in Circular 6/2008 was 35 in favour, 0 against, 1 abstention. We thank all NFAs that took part.

NEW MEMBER OF IFUW STAFF

Réka Fogarasi Musso has joined IFUW's staff as an administrative assistant. She is of Hungarian origin, grew up in Sweden, lived in England and worked several years in Switzerland for the World Economic Forum. She will be assisting with the IFUW website and networks, IFUW's UN advocacy teams, general enquiries and special projects. She is an excellent addition to our team.

TRAVEL TO NEPAL AND INDIA WITH VGIF - 18 to 21 November 2009

The Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund (VGIF) has invited IFUW members to participate in a Friendship Tour to India and Nepal in November 2009 as part of their celebration of 40 years of funding projects for women and children around the world. The tour will include visits to Delhi, Agra, Rajasthan and Calcutta, as well as an optional tour to Kathmandu and Chitwan in Nepal. The tour will be highlighted by a visit to Project Five-O Calcutta, one of the earliest projects, and a conference arranged in collaboration with the Indian Federation of University Women (IFUWA) entitled "Women, Water, and Food Security." Other visits to selected project sites in Calcutta and Delhi will be made in collaboration with IFUWA. This is a unique opportunity to foster cultural exchange and stretch out our hands to women around the globe, sharing ideas and dreams in our mission to invest in women worldwide. For details of the travel packages, please see:

<http://www.faf.org/groupstours/tourinfo/vgifconference/travel2india.htm>.