

## **PROFILE UWE VICE PRESIDENT**

### ORGANISATION:

University Women of Europe (UWE) is the European regional group within the International Federation of University Women (IFUW), enabling women and girls through education. IFUW is an international network linking women graduates from all cultures, all fields of study, all professions and all generations.

The UWE currently has 23 member countries.

Our main aims are:

- promote lifelong education for women and girls;
- promote international cooperation, friendship, peace and respect for human rights for all, irrespective of their gender, age, race, nationality, religion, political opinion, gender and sexual orientation or other status;
- advocate for the advancement of the status of women and girls;
- in addition, encourage and enable women and girls to apply their knowledge and skills in leadership and decision-making in all forms of public and private life.

UWE is an active member of two European Lobby Organisations:

- The International NGO Conference of the Council of Europe.

The Council of Europe, founded in 1949, basic principles are democracy, human rights and the quality of life. Today it serves 800 million people in 48 states.

- The European Women's Lobby (EWL), founded in 1990 is the largest alliance of women's non-governmental organisation in the European Union bringing together 4.000 member organisations in Europe. They are actively addressing issues of economic and social justice for women, women in leadership and decision-making, women's human rights, violence against women, and women's diversity.

The UWE executive got three members, the President, the Vice-president and the treasurer and is supported by the UWE secretary. They all serve for a term of three years, renewable once.

### TASKS:

The duties of the UWE vice-president can be:

- participating in the INGO Conferences of the Council of Europe and report about them to the UWE-members
- participating in the European Women's Lobby Meetings and report about it to the UWE-members
- participating in other gender lobby activities
- Supporting the president by visiting other NFA's time to time for special celebrations etc.
- Contributing to the UWE strategic and work plan.

Apart from that, it is up to the UWE-Executive to agree about a division of tasks between them.

### PROFILE:

The ideal next UWE-Vice President should have collected some experience in working within her national federation/association (NFA) or a similar organization.

She is familiar with the European Situation on Gender equality and is interested in lobby for equal opportunities in all aspects of society for women and men.

She enjoys travelling and is ready for working in a European team.

Preferably, she does not have an official function within her own NFA to avoid conflict of interest.