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CAROLYN TILDEN

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Special thanks to the staff at **COMENSHA**, who invited us to understand more about how they battle human trafficking and opened up their organizational network to share their stories and tool chest.



THE AMERICAN WOMEN'S CLUB OF THE HAGUE

Sustainable Rescue

At the conclusion of our FAWCO three-year global campaign on Human Rights, we recognized that being "rescued" from human trafficking is not a guarantee of freedom. The majority of those rescued are literally broken in body, spirit and heart by their traffickers, at high risk of re-exploitation. Our research has shown that individuals, communities, the private and public sectors are already implementing an impressive slavery eradication tool set.

Through the presentations and dialogue during this Symposium we will raise awareness of the current tools available. Not only can we have an impact on the success rate on sustainable rescue, we can **STAND UP** Against Human Trafficking by becoming an **EVERYDAY HERO**.



MARY ADAMS

Program Co-Chair

Mary Adams worked in the management consulting industry for 25 years partnering with clients to combine thought leadership with operational efficiency in the global oil and gas industry. In 2015, she left consulting to become more involved in human rights for women by accepting the position of Vice President of Fundraising for The FAWCO Foundation.



JOHANNA DISHONGH

Program Co-Chair

Johanna Dishongh worked in Human Resource Management in the Engineering and Construction industry until she moved outside the U.S. Over the last 15 years, she has been a committed local community volunteer and global advocate for education and human rights. Johanna is FAWCO Vice President - Committees including the Global Issues Task Forces and Target Program.

VOLUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

It is with great gratitude that we thank all the volunteers who donated their time, money, energy, experience and creativity to the Symposium. A program cannot run by itself, it needs the helping hands of our FAWCO volunteer network to bring it to life. Although we cannot list every volunteer's name, we do wish to acknowledge the following people: Julie Mowat, Angela Aebersold, Teresa Mahoney, Gabriele Trützschler, Laurie Brooks, Emily van Eerten, Karla Kahn, Melissa White, Susan Ailleris, Kristin Haanaes, Michelle Oliel, Georgia Regnault and Sue Merrick.



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Keynote Speakers

CORINNE DETTMEIJER was appointed as Dutch National Rapporteur on Trafficking in Human Beings on October 1st, 2006. In 2012 her mandate was extended to sexual violence against children. The National Rapporteur promotes efforts to combat trafficking in human beings and sexual violence against children in practice and in policies, as well as legislation to increase public awareness of these phenomena. She conducts thorough research and publishes reports in which she addresses relevant issues from a wide range of perspectives. In addition, she studies developments in the Netherlands and in other countries to make specific policy recommendations. Corinne Dettmeijer has for many years been a judge at the district court of The Hague, where she handled cases in juvenile, criminal, family, and migration law.



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CHALLENGES AS INDEPENDENT NATIONAL RAPPORTEUR

In her keynote speech, CORINNE DETTMEIJER will describe her duties and challenges as National Rapporteur in the Netherlands. As more countries establish the role of independent rapporteurs on human trafficking, an international network is forming. This network is an opportunity to share best practices, but a key barrier is that each national rapporteur gathers and analyzes their data in different ways. This makes the data difficult to compare and consolidate. Corinne is searching for ways to overcome this barrier so that an international rapporteur community can act in unison in the fight against human trafficking. She will also discuss different perspectives on human trafficking and how combining them is a critical success factor. www.dutchrapporteur.nl



LISA COHEN is a senior supervising producer for CNN International Productions, where she manages various feature programs and specials, including The CNN Freedom Project. Prior to this assignment, Lisa served as supervising producer for CNN International's live news programming during the Asia prime hours. Lisa joined CNN in 1994 as a writer and producer. Prior to that, she worked for several years as a television news reporter and anchor in local news markets across the United States. A native of Canada, Lisa is based in Atlanta. She is married with two children.

THE CNN FREEDOM PROJECT: ENDING MODERN-DAY SLAVERY

In 2011, CNN joined the global fight against human trafficking and modern-day slavery. What began as a one-year awareness raising campaign quickly turned into a movement for change. Five years on, the CNN Freedom Project has produced hundreds of stories on the issue of human trafficking, pressing governments to enforce their laws, pressuring businesses to ensure slavery-free supply chains and crucially, showing millions of CNN viewers around the world that everyone can make a difference in the fight against modern-day slavery. www.edition.cnn.com/specials/world/freedom-project

THE CNN FREEDOM PROJECT is a multi-platform initiative that aims to expose the horrors of modern-day slavery and advocate for change. Started in March 2011, The CNN Freedom Project has generated more than 400 stories of human trafficking from five continents.



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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S ANNUAL TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS REPORT (TIP)

The Trafficking in Persons (TIP) report is the U.S. government's principal diplomatic tool on human trafficking. It is the world's most comprehensive resource of governmental anti-human trafficking efforts. The TIP Report is used to engage foreign governments in dialogues to advance anti-trafficking reforms, and to target resources on prevention, protection, and prosecution programs. The ultimate goal of the TIP report and of the U.S. Government's anti-human trafficking policy are freeing victims, preventing trafficking, and bringing traffickers to justice.



PATRICK CHOW is the Political/Economic Counselor at the U.S. Embassy The Hague. He previously served as the Deputy Coordinator for Assistance in the U.S. Embassy Islamabad in Pakistan from August 2013 to July 2015. From 2011-2013, he served as the Deputy Director for the Office of Bilateral Trade Affairs for the Economic Bureau at the U.S. Department of State, after spending one year at the United States National War College. In 2009, Patrick served one year in the U.S. Embassy Baghdad's economic section managing the Finance and Development Team. He has served many assignments in Asia, including positions in the economic sections of the U.S. Embassy Beijing, China, the U.S. Consulate Osaka-Kobe, Japan, and the U.S. Consulate Shenyang, China. Patrick has also served in the U.S. Secretary of State's Executive Secretariat for Secretary of State, Madeleine Albright. His first assignment was in Georgetown, Guyana.

U.S. CAMPAIGNS TO STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING, LUCY LAEDERICH, U.S. LIAISON, FAWCO

The United States approach to end human trafficking is a unique collaboration of law enforcement, government, non-governmental and private organizations. FAWCO will showcase three ongoing campaigns. The Blue Campaign is the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's effort to combat human trafficking and bring those who exploit human lives to justice. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services *Rescue & Restore Victims of Human Trafficking* campaign helps victims become eligible to receive benefits and services to rebuild their lives safely in the United States. Polaris, which was named after the North Star that guided slaves to freedom in the U.S., systematically disrupts the human trafficking networks that rob human beings of their lives and freedom.



FREE THE GIRLS - TOOLS FOR FREEDOM

Free The Girls provides reintegration services to women rescued from sex trafficking in the developing world. They are best known for their economic empowerment program for which they collect gently used bras from their supporters which become the inventory for the women in their program to launch microenterprises. Freedom encompasses the entire spectrum of a woman's life – not merely distance from a brothel. There are a variety of factors for a woman to be truly free. The part FTG plays is to provide a launch pad towards true freedom and reintegration. FTG wants to be a catalyst for wholeness in these women's lives but always ensuring that they have ultimate control.

COURTNEY SKIERA-VAUGHN has been involved in nonprofit work since she was a child because her mother ran a non-profit organization. She grew up volunteering and she hasn't stopped yet. Most recently, she served as Country Director for the Kawagala Project in Uganda, where she trained staff on counseling techniques for sex trafficking survivors. This project partnered with Free The Girls in implementing the bra-selling program in Uganda. When she and her husband left Africa and returned to the United States, she was thrilled to continue her journey with Free The Girls as Executive Director. Courtney is also currently working on her PhD in Health Psychology, with a focus on stress and trauma in sub-Saharan Africa. Her hobbies include reading books, being a foodie, and enjoying outdoor sports where she lives in Colorado.



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FREE THE GIRLS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that works with established after-care facilities to provide survivors of sex trafficking economic opportunities in the second-hand clothing market prevalent in east Africa and Central America.

www.freethegirls.org



WE ARE NOT FOR SALE - CREATING A NEW PERSPECTIVE

The presentation is an introduction to the issue of human trafficking in the Netherlands and how Not For Sale helps survivors to gain a new perspective on life. Not For Sale accomplishes this by using a social enterprise model of professional culinary training in their Amsterdam-based restaurant.



TOOS HEEMSKERK-SCHEP, a social worker with 20 years of experience working in the Red Light District of Amsterdam, pioneered a prevention program for girls at risk of "loverboys" and a reintegration program for women wanting to leave prostitution. After extensive research among Hungarian women she found they were ill-equipped to create a new future for themselves. In 2011 Toos became Director of Not For Sale Netherlands (NFS), which seeks to provide survivors of human trafficking with education, employment opportunities and a better free future where they can make their own choices. In 2015 NFS opened two new social enterprises – a brunch restaurant providing expanded training and work opportunities to survivors (www.eatwelldogood.nl) and a store in a former brothel providing a contact point in the Red Light District with women behind the windows and awareness-raising among the 9 million tourists passing through every year. 100% of the profits go back to sustaining the work of NFS.

NOT FOR SALE is an international organization dedicated to fighting against human trafficking by launching social enterprises in both the origins and target areas of where this takes place. Through the social enterprise and by offering apprenticeships, they help victims build a new life and prevent human trafficking.



www.notforsalecampaign.org

VICTIM OR SURVIVOR - YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Bijlmer Project is a grassroots project situated in the Bijlmer (Amsterdam South East) in the Netherlands. It is based on a community model leveraging the expertise of professional partners and academia combined to address the vulnerability of survivors of sex trafficking. The study investigated the prevalence of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and the psychological, social and

Saturday, October 8, 2016

08:00 09:00	Check-in and Coffee in the Provinciezaal	12:10 12:45	Victim OR Survivor - YOU Can Make a Difference, The Bijlmer Project/Bridge2Hope Intervention Program Sheetal Shah, Head of Department of Behavioral and Social Sciences, Webster University Leiden
09:00 09:10	Welcome Wandelganger 1&2 Monica Jubayli, President, FAWCO Patricia Meek, President, The FAWCO Foundation	12:45 13:45	Lunch in Nieuwspoord Restaurant
09:10 09:25	Everyday Heroes Mary Adams and Johanna Dishongh, Program Chairs	13:45 14:00	Summary Remarks Mary Adams and Johanna Dishongh, Program Chairs
09:25 09:55	Keynote: Challenges as Independent National Rapporteur Corinne Dettmeijer, Dutch National Rapporteur Trafficking in Human Beings and Sexual Violence Against Children	14:00 14:35	Labor Trafficking Introduction, Emily van Eerten, Past President, FAWCO The Power of Consumers to End Human Trafficking Esta Steyn-Jansen, Director & Coordinator, STOP THE TRAFFIK
10:00 10:10	U.S. Department of State's Annual Trafficking in Persons Report (TIP) Patrick Chow, Political/Economic Counselor, U.S. Embassy The Hague	14:35 15:10	A Cup of Tea Can Make a Difference! Sandra Claassen, Director, FairWork
10:10 10:45	U.S. Campaigns to Stop Human Trafficking Lucy Laederich, U.S. Liaison, FAWCO	15:10 15:25	Coffee Break in the Provinciezaal
10:45 11:00	Coffee Break in the Provinciezaal	15:30 16:00	Conscientious Consumer Group Exercise Emily van Eerten, Past President, FAWCO
11:00 11:35	Sex Trafficking Introduction, My-Linh Kunst, Past President, FAWCO Free The Girls - Tools for Freedom Courtney Skiera-Vaughn, Executive Director, Free The Girls	16:00 16:15	Summary Remarks Mary Adams and Johanna Dishongh, Program Chairs
11:35 12:10	We Are Not For Sale-Creating A New Perspective Toos Heemskerk-Schep, Not For Sale, Director	16:15 17:00	Open Your Eyes to Human Trafficking Walking Tour of CoMensha's 30 Portraits Exhibition
		17:00 19:00	Networking Forum and Cocktail Reception in the Nieuwspoord Restaurant
		19:00 22:00	Dinner in Wandelganger 1&2

Sunday, October 9, 2016

09:00 10:00	Coffee in the Provinciezaal	12:00 13:00	Lunch in Nieuwspoord Restaurant
10:00 10:15	Welcome Wandelganger 1&2 Mary Adams and Johanna Dishongh, Program Chairs	13:00 13:30	Sustainable Change in the Private Sector Introduction, Laurie Richardson, United Nations Liaison, FAWCO
10:15 10:45	The CNN Freedom Project: Ending Modern-Day Slavery Lisa Cohen, Senior Supervising Producer, CNN Freedom Project		Global Compact Network Netherlands and Human Rights: What Does it Mean Regarding Human Trafficking? Eppy Boschma, Senior Advisor, Global Compact Network Netherlands
10:45 11:15	CoMensha Introduction, Georgia Regnault, Past President, FAWCO CoMensha: 30 years of Achievement, Cooperation, and Challenges Jerrold Marten, Advisor, CoMensha La Strada International - Watchdog in the International Field of Prevention of Human Trafficking Suzanne Hoff, International Coordinator, La Strada International	13:30 14:00	What if... We Let Hotel Staff Create Their Own Training Film? Roel Simons, Filmmaker, Serious Video
11:15 11:45	The Perfect Victim of Human Trafficking Dr Conny Rijken, Professor of Human Trafficking and Globalization, International Victimology Institute, Tilburg Law School, University of Tilburg	14:00 14:30	How Financial Institutions Can Prevent Human Trafficking: Research and Practice Jill Coster van Voorhout, Senior Researcher, The Hague Institute for Global Justice and Maria Anne van Dijk, Head of Environmental Social & Ethical Risk & Policy, ABN AMRO Bank
11:45 12:00	Summary Remarks Mary Adams and Johanna Dishongh, Program Chairs	14:30 15:00	Summary Remarks Mary Adams and Johanna Dishongh, Program Chairs
		15:00	Event Close

COMENSHA: 30 YEARS OF ACHIEVEMENT, COOPERATION, AND CHALLENGES

This year CoMensha celebrates 30 years of fighting human trafficking. Jerrol will highlight the struggles and successes along the way and the challenges he sees in the future.



JERROL MARTEN is 45 years old and has been working with CoMensha for seven years. He worked as the manager and deputy director for five years and the last two as an advisor. Jerrol says that the reason he joined CoMensha was to help victims who got out of their trafficked situations get a grip on their own lives. "I want to help stop human trafficking. This is my main focus in my work at CoMensha."

COMENSHA is an anti-trafficking coordination center committed to a better life for victims of trafficking. They advise on the Netherlands' national human trafficking policy and work closely with law enforcement agencies, social workers, healthcare institutions, governments, and many (international) partners. www.mensenhandel.nl



LA STRADA INTERNATIONAL - WATCHDOG IN THE INTERNATIONAL FIELD OF PREVENTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

La Strada International (LSI) aims to prevent trafficking in human beings in Europe, in particular trafficking of women, and to protect the rights of trafficked persons. The LSI secretariat, based in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, focuses in particular on lobby and advocacy and the monitoring of European anti-trafficking policies. Suzanne Hoff, International Coordinator at LSI, will elaborate on the European human trafficking situation and explain how LSI advocates for the rights of trafficked persons and plays a watchdog role in the international field. She will highlight dilemmas and bottlenecks faced by NGOs related to the root causes of human trafficking and direct operation and cooperation in the field.

Since 2004, SUZANNE HOFF has been the International Coordinator of La Strada International. LSI is a European network against trafficking in human beings, comprising 8 European members and 20 partner NGOs. Suzanne is based in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. She monitors and coordinates the activities of the international secretariat and represents La Strada at the international level and in different forums, such as the OSCE Alliance Expert team. Her multiple responsibilities include:



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strategic planning, lobbying and advocacy, and active involvement in numerous international projects. From 2013-2015, she coordinated La Strada's NGOs & Co project to engage the private sector in the fight against human trafficking and build the capacity of anti-trafficking NGOs to cooperate with businesses and trade unions and address labor exploitation. From 2002 to 2005, prior to her appointment as international coordinator of LSI, Suzanne worked for STV, the Dutch Foundation Against Trafficking in Women (Comensha). Before La Strada, she worked for different NGOs: Caritas Netherlands, the Dutch Council for Refugees as well as for Amsterdam City. Most of her work is focused on human rights and the situation in Central and Eastern Europe. Suzanne has an academic background; a master's in Eastern European Studies and Journalism.

La Strada International, based in Amsterdam, is the network of all La Strada members, European NGOs working against trafficking in human beings. It focuses on international networking, lobbying and public relations on behalf of the member organizations, producing common policies and action plans and harmonized lobbying and advocacy programs. www.lastradainternational.org



THE PERFECT VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Stereotypes and perceptions of victims and how victims should behave impede a more objective and nuanced picture of victims of trafficking that would better fit reality. The consequences and negative effects of such stereotyping either in court proceedings, police hearings, or exploited by the media can be detrimental to victims of trafficking and might lead to secondary victimization. More importantly it hampers the agency and empowerment of victims of trafficking. Based on research that Dr. Rijken conducted on the needs of victims, the audience will be challenged to uncover its own stereotypes and perceptions and to adjust those with new insights.

DR. CONNY RIJKEN is Professor of Human Trafficking and Globalization at INTERVICT (International Victimology Institute Tilburg), Tilburg Law School, Tilburg University. Over the last fifteen years, Conny has done extensive research on various aspects of Trafficking in Human Beings including the European perspective, migration, labor exploitation and human rights. She has led several EU funded international and interdisciplinary research projects e.g. *Sinai Trafficking*, *Combating THB for Labour Exploitation*, and *Corporate Social Responsibility to Prevent Human Trafficking*.



She has conducted innovative research on the needs of victims of human trafficking, the nexus between human trafficking and statelessness in Thailand, and Sinai Trafficking. Conny has been invited as a speaker and lecturer on human trafficking and related topics all around the world by various universities and international organizations. She has been appointed to the Advisory Committee on Migration Affairs, which is an independent Dutch organization, and serves as a deputy judge. Detailed information and her list of publications can be found at: www.tilburguniversity.edu/webwijs/show/?uid=c.r.j.j.rijken and you can contact her at c.r.j.j.rijken@uvt.nl.

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GLOBAL COMPACT NETWORK NETHERLANDS AND HUMAN RIGHTS: WHAT DOES IT MEAN REGARDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

The UN Global Compact is the world's largest initiative, based on voluntary participation, in the field of corporate social responsibility. Participating businesses and organizations commit themselves to applying the ten universal principles, as set out by the United Nations, in the fields of human rights, labor, the environment, and fighting corruption. In the Netherlands there is a local network (Global Compact Netherlands) with businesses and organizations who are important drivers of change.



EPY BOSCHMA is the Secretary (senior advisor) of the Global Compact Network Nederland and VNO-NCW and MKB-Nederland. Prior to this, she worked in various positions at the following Ministries: General Affairs, Social Affairs and Interior. She has also worked as a political aide to former Minister Donner. She studied sociology at the University of Groningen and Agricultural Management at the Agricultural College of Friesland. Eppy is married, lives in Gouda and is the mother of three children.

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www.gcneland.nl

WHAT IF... WE LET HOTEL STAFF CREATE THEIR OWN TRAINING FILM TO TEACH OTHER COLLEAGUES HOW TO BEAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN THEIR HOTELS?

The result is the film *Please Disturb*. From hotel chambermaid to prosecutor. From front desk staff to police detective. Together they created the story of the film, in which hotel staff themselves play the leading role. It is thanks to their intrinsic motivation to stand up against human trafficking that this film inspires others to take action too. Apart from training hotel professionals, this video also helps promote growing awareness for a general audience.



ROEL SIMONS is a filmmaker and a change agent in education, urban planning, and other fields. As a former youth worker and TV producer, he developed unique skills to create "live" learning situations using film and storytelling as a tool. His methods are designed to support participants' responsible actions in real situations and have given shape to many co-creative projects that are the proof of a future that combines learning with social involvement. All of his

films and projects promote self-organization within a group of participants. Although he guided the process and directed *Please Disturb* with a professional crew, the actual scriptwriting was an intense team-building process and started the model of change between the hotel and the police. Roel's goal is to help institutions, governments, and companies unlock, enhance and/or accelerate the potential of participatory processes and collaborative learning using simple, bottom-up, creative interventions. Through his work with schools, neighborhoods, companies and organizations, Roel Simons is an active inspirer and motivator.

www.roelsimons.nl/pleasedisturb

www.journaalvandetoekomst.nl

www.gemeentebeleving.nl

www.seriousvideo.nl

SERIOUS VIDEO

**HOW FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS CAN PREVENT HUMAN TRAFFICKING:
RESEARCH AND PRACTICE**

As of June 2015, The Hague Institute initiated and managed a public-private partnership that includes ABN AMRO Bank. The partners' goal is to combat and ultimately prevent human trafficking in two ways: to improve government-led financial investigations and to see how financial institutions can support their customers' efforts to make their supply chains free of human trafficking. This presentation will discuss these issues in addition to other possibilities for public-private partnerships.

DR. JILL E.B. COSTER VAN VOORHOUT is a lawyer and sociologist. She is an expert in criminal law and procedure, as well as international crimes and transnational crimes such as human trafficking and migrant smuggling. Her work focuses on fact-finding and accountability, specifically enhancing criminal and human rights investigations in cases before courts and tribunals and complex inquiries. Dr. Coster van Voorhout also works on cross-learning between international and transnational crimes' regimes. She is a Senior Researcher on rule of law issues at the Institute and at the Willem Pompe Institute for Criminal Law and Criminology at Utrecht University. In Spring, 2017, Dr. Coster van Voorhout will lead a human trafficking-course at Utrecht University (LLM, Capita Selecta). She is a frequent commentator in the media on ICC and ICJ cases; international inquiries (e.g. MH17); universal jurisdiction; and transnational and international crimes. She acts as Special Advisor to the ICC legal aid system expert assessment team and as Expert on the Boards of two European Commission-funded projects. She is also a Member of INPROL and AIDP. Her three recent books are entitled Ineffective Legal Assistance (forthcoming; Brill | Nijhoff Publishers, 2016); Shifting Responsibilities in Criminal Procedures (Eleven Publishers, 2012 edited volume with her chapter); and Human Trafficking for Labour Exploitation (Utrecht University Press, 2009). Her other publications include a handbook chapter in ECHR Case Law (SDU Publishers, 2013); peer-reviewed journal articles; and policy briefs.



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MARIA ANNE VAN DIJK is a sustainable banker and corporate activist. As head of Environmental & Social risk advisory and monitoring, she is responsible for ABN AMRO's bank-wide human rights program. With 25 years in the financial sector and 13 years in the "sustainability space," Maria Anne is a firm believer that banks can and should contribute to a better world. She has a master's degree in Linguistics from the University of Amsterdam and a Postgraduate Certificate in Sustainable Business from Cambridge. Maria Anne loves fashion, mountains and movies.



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About FAWCO and The FAWCO Foundation

FAWCO, founded in 1931 to promote global peace, has worked for more than 85 years to protect the rights and improve the lives of women and girls worldwide. Since 1997, FAWCO has been recognized as a non-governmental organization with special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council. Through our United Nations presence, global issues task forces, and focused programs, we mobilize our membership to coordinate, collaborate and participate in making positive social change.



MONICA JUBAYLI (American Women's Club of Lebanon and President, FAWCO) spent one year abroad at the American University of Beirut (AUB) in Lebanon studying Ancient History and Archeology in 1972 and forty-four years later she is still in the Middle East, presently living in Dubai, UAE. A Californian, she graduated with a double major in History and Geography from the University of California, Davis, and then earned a Master's Degree in Education at the AUB. She married a Lebanese graduate student in 1974 and they have four children and two grandchildren living all over the globe. Since 2001 Monica has been teaching scuba diving and is an IANTD Instructor Trainer. She has been the President of AWC Lebanon. This is her third Board term, now serving as FAWCO President 2015-2017 and having served as 1st VP from 2013-2015 and 3rd VP from 2011-2013.

THE FAWCO FOUNDATION is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, incorporated in 1967 to act as the philanthropic arm of FAWCO. The Foundation supports the philanthropic goals of FAWCO by administering and fundraising for programs that improve the lives of women and children worldwide.



PATRICIA MEEK (American Women's Club of Dublin and President, The FAWCO Foundation) was born in San Diego. Patti moved "back" to Dublin with her Irish husband and two sons in 1997 where they have settled happily for the last 19 years. Patti is a member of the American Women's Club of Dublin and has held a variety of positions on the Executive Board, including co-chair of the 2012 FAWCO Conference Committee. Patti served as Secretary to the FAWCO Board from 2013-15 and was elected as President of The FAWCO Foundation in 2015. For the last 16 years, she

has been a member of her local conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul, an international voluntary organization dedicated to serving the poor and disadvantaged.