## **FINLAND**

## Project : INVITATION FOR NEXT EUROPEAN RALLY

My warmest greetings from a still colourful and slightly chilly Finland. I started my term as president of the National Governing Body and National representative quite fast in the summer, planning a trip to Berlin to bring an invitation to the Rally in Finland in 2025.

In Berlin it was wonderful to see people I already knew, even though I only had time to have conversations with a few. In a situation where we are fighting for the continuity of our clubs, one of our greatest strengths is meeting colleagues from other countries. Meetings and discussions gave joy and pride in being part of a great international women's organizationand faith that IW will live also after us.

Save the date October 11th We invite you all

The pandemic hit our clubs and some of them very hard. When pandemic moved aside there was a time to bring the members together again. This gave rise to the idea of all members of Finnish clubs getting together one day a year at the same time to spend an outdoor and socializing day. This helps us to remember who we are and which common family we belong to. We chose International Day of the Rights of the Girls on 11 October as that day.

The time could not have been more apt: the women of Iran had begun the

struggle for the rights and future of their daughters. We succeeded excellently. Now we Finnish IW members invite you to join us next year to celebrate a day of outdoor activities and spending time together. Save the date October 11th.

Raija Partanen, President of the Finnish National Body



## **GREECE**

## Project:Club of Ilioupolis—Donation of food supplies for the relief of poverty to the local social grocery service.

On Sunday, 2ndOctober the members of IW Club of Ilioupoli donated food supplies such as olive oil, condensed milk, pasta and many more for the relief of poverty of the less privileged citizens in the Municipality of Ilioupolis. Our Club bought supplies of total value 500 euro The supplies were delivered by the Club's president Penny Alexatou, the Treasurer Evi Giri and 3 more members to the local authorities. In a special concert event dedicated to Mikis Theodorakis songs was organized for this cause by the Municipality of Ilioupolis with the participation of many singers & the local children's' choir. All supplies will be given to citizens in need through the local social grocery service.

