

# PROGRAM



## District Conference Copenhagen - Denmark 12 – 15 September 2019

Place: Scandic Sydhavnen - Sydhavns Plads 15 - 2450 Copenhagen SV





## Greetings from ZI President

Dear District 13 Zontians,

“Empower Women – Develop the World” – what a great theme for your District Conference in the year of Zonta’s Centennial Anniversary! I wish I could be with you. Thank you to the organizers for all their efforts to make this a weekend full of inspiration and fellowship.

100 years ago, our founding mothers knew that women’s empowerment aiming at gender equality would be crucial to make this world a better place for all mankind.

And since then, Zonta has contributed to achieving this goal. Ending Child Marriage, the huge global program that, in honor of our centennial anniversary, we’re not only funding but supporting by advocacy and local service, encapsulates Zonta’s approach at international level and directly relates to your Conference theme. Early marriage and early pregnancies that, most often, mean the end of education for girls, have considerable negative impact on societies. Low educational attainment reduces expected earnings in adulthood, and it depresses labor force participation, leading to lower standards of living. Therefore, not educating girls means losses in human capital wealth estimated at 15 trillion to 30 trillion US dollars. But instead, helping girls to stay in school and educate them is not only the right thing to do: it is also a smart economic investment and a contribution to develop the world.

I take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your support of our international projects and programs and for your dedication to improving the lives of women and girls, not only in your local communities, but around the world.

Have a great conference and a successful second year of our Centennial Anniversary Biennium.

Cordially,



Dr. Susanne von Bassewitz  
President  
Zonta International and Zonta International Foundation



## Welcome by Governor Dorte Olesen



It is an honor and a privilege to welcome more than 200 Zontians to our District 13 Conference here in Copenhagen.

Our Zonta International Centennial Anniversary marks the end of an old and successful era in Zonta, and the beginning of a new and exciting one. Our conference honors the past and at the same time looks strongly to the future. Our theme “Empower Women – Develop the World” puts a focus on how empowering and educating women leads to economic prosperity.

We also hear the young voices of new and recent Zonta International scholarship recipients and spread out our orange umbrellas in front of the Town Hall of Copenhagen, thus coloring our city orange in a new and special way. I hope and trust that we will have an exciting conference where we all learn something new and meet both new and old friends. A big thank you goes to all our many sponsors, and last but not least, a big thank you to the Copenhagen Zonta Clubs for the work they have put into the planning of this big event.

My best wishes

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dorte Olesen', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Dorte Olesen  
Governor  
Zonta District 13

### **Workshops at 09:00 – 16:00**

This is a unique opportunity for club members to learn more about how Zonta works with the UN and Council of Europe, or how to deal with Leadership issues and tasks inside Zonta.

#### **Workshop 1: Zonta Leadership – the Easy Way: Zonta Club President “To Go”.**

Facilitated by: Jane Andersen, Leadership Development Committee.

This workshop focuses on teamwork in Zonta, project management, leadership and tools.

The participants will learn about their personal human resources and how to contribute to efficient teamwork and collaboration in Zonta. They will learn to build effective, high-quality teams by utilizing members' various human competences in board and committees, and which human competences are needed to build an effective team.

#### **Workshop 2: Zonta Leader – including treasurer - the eWay!**

The participants will try the new e-learning – quick and efficient “leadership and Zonta”-mixed education. They will get “hands on” and try out the digital resources prepared for Zonta leaders and they will get a quick overview and hints for choosing the essentials.

#### **Workshop 3: UN and Council of Europe**

This workshop will be conducted by the UN and Council of Europe District Committee members.

This workshop focuses on, how Zonta International can give knowledge and make influence on the annual Commission on the Status of Women meeting (CSW) at UN Headquarters in New York, and the way we can influence the work with the Equal Rights for Women in the Council of Europe.

### **Registration Desk is open at 15:00 –19:00**

#### **Get together - Dinner in Zonta homes at 19:00 -22:00:**

There might be a few homes with an earlier start. Information is sent to all participants.

Dinner in a Zonta home is a much-appreciated tradition at District-13 meeting.

Many hostesses will welcome participants to a nice dinner and a relaxed atmosphere. The food will be a “Nordic Buffet”, which will typically consist of both cold and hot dishes. The participants can look forward to a dining experience beyond the ordinary.

## **07:30 – 09:00 Registration Desk is open**

## **08:15 – 08:30 First timer and delegates orientation**

Delegates and first-time participants will receive information about the District Meeting (Business sessions) where decisions must be made and where to elect the future members of the board of District 13.

## **09:00 – 10:30 Opening of the Conference**

Experience a great opening as a welcome for the coming eventful days that we shall spend together. Zonta International Board Liaison to District 13, Sigrid Duden, and Governor Dorte Olesen will greet you, and there will be a Keynote presentation on “Empowering women worldwide” given by Ulla Tørnæs, MP and former Minister for Development Cooperation.

## **10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break**

## **11:00 – 12:00 Centennial Anniversary Award Ceremony**

Motivations for the Centennial Anniversary District Recognition Awards will be given, and the awardees will tell a little more about themselves.

## **12:00 – 13:00 Buffet lunch**

## **13:00 – 16:00 Business session and Open Forum**

Here the Formal District Meeting begins with delegates from the clubs taking the front seats and the Parliamentarian and other officials helping to conduct the Zonta business. The detailed agenda can be found in the material provided. The session also contains an Open Forum co-chaired by the International Board liaison, Sigrid Duden. We expect to discuss how to develop Zonta into the next 100 years, as well as other topics raised by the participants.

## **16:00 – 16:30 Getting ready to leave**

## **16:30 – 17:30 Public transportation to Town Hall Square**

## **17:30 – 18:15 Forming a Z on the Town Hall Square with orange umbrellas**

## **18:30 – 20:00 Reception at Copenhagen Town Hall**

The City of Copenhagen welcomes us at City Hall, where we will be served the famous City Hall pancakes.

## **Charter Ceremony for new Zonta Club Copenhagen Multicultural**

We congratulate the 16 new ZI members from several countries and the newly formed club who will receive the official charter document.

## **20:00 - In the Center of Copenhagen on your own**

## Centennial District Recognition Award Winner

**Inga Laukytė-Budrienė** is one of the founders of the association "Padedu Augti" and its head since the establishment of the organization.

In 2011 Inga had premature twins born and her personal experience has become the source of inspiration to help families to overcome some of the toughest stages in their lives when premature children are born to them.

Since 2012 she provides free assistance and organizes vital projects as a social worker.



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**Ulla Tørnæs** is recently reelected as Member of the Danish Parliament.

She was Minister for Development Cooperation in Denmark from November 2016-July 2019 and before that she was Minister for Development Aid from February 2005 - February 2010. She has also been Minister of Education 2001-2005 and Minister of Research and Higher Education in 2016, and a Member of the European Parliament 2014-2016.

As Minister for Development Cooperation she has been a strong supporter of women's empowerment on the global scale and her deep knowledge and engagement in both education and women's rights issues makes her a natural choice for Centennial Recognition by Zonta International District 13.





## Reception at Copenhagen Town Hall



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The centennial reception will be hosted by the Lord Mayor of Copenhagen, Frank Jensen.

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**07:30 – 08:30 Registration Desk is open**

**08:30 – 10:30 Business session**

The agenda continues.

**10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break**

**11:00 – 12:30 Women's economic power and Zonta's role in empowering women worldwide**

Talks by Marlene Nørgaard Carolus from MyBanker and Pernille Fenger from UNFPA leading to a Panel Discussion.

**12:30 – 13:30 Buffet lunch**

**13:30 – 15:30 Great girls meet great women**

Here the new YWPA and Jane M Klausman Women in Business District recipients are handed their diploma and tell us about their plans and visions. We also meet former District 13 winners of Zonta International Scholarships and Awards.

**15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break**

**16:00 – 17:30 Final Business session**

The final business items are dealt with

**16:00 – 17:30 Parallel break-out session continues the "Great Girls meet Great Women" session**

**19:00 - 23:00 Closing Banquet**

The Zonta clubs of Copenhagen wish us all a wonderful evening in the heartfelt good company of Zontian sisters.

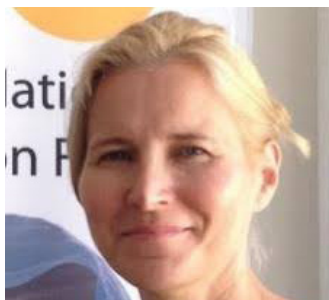
A three-course dinner and wine ad libitum will be served.

### **HOW WE BUILD THE FUTURE**

To celebrate this special milestone the theme this evening is all about future research on gender equality and the paradigm shift we are experiencing. We are therefore proud to present 3 Zontians who will share their views and documented facts on how we build the future.

Program moderated by Cecilie Hother, journalist, Moderator and Entrepreneur.

Marlene Nørgaard Carolus. Since January 2019 she has been the CEO of Mybanker. Before that she was Executive Vice President and Global head of Private Banking/Wealth Management at Danske Bank. She holds an executive MBA degree from Copenhagen Business School as well as an FSA from London School of Economics. Marlene will talk about the role of women in the local and global economies around the world.



Pernille Fenger has for the past 10 years been the Chief of the Nordic Office of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), after being Head of Section at the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and working in Switzerland as Programme Officer for the International Institute for Sustainable Development. She holds an MA degree in History. Pernille will talk about the big international collaborative projects to accelerate ending child marriage and get better education for girls where Zonta International supports UNFPA.

### **YWPA Award and Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship**

Line Wedam Fruergaard who studies M.Sc. International Marketing and Management at Copenhagen Business School (CBS) has been awarded the 2018 Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship from Zonta International District 13 – as well as the JMK WIB scholarship from ZC Copenhagen I and Zonta Denmark. All told this means that Line received more than 3000 USD to cover extra expenses for her final study year both in Copenhagen and New York.



19 year old Emilie Sloth Spliid from Rønne is 2019 winner of the Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) award for “demonstrated leadership qualities, and commitment to the community as a whole”. Emilie is a 2nd year student at Risskov Gymnasium and has been leading an integration project for female immigrants for the Danish Refugee Council. She also promotes environmental awareness at school, and with her sister she has raised and donated 8,000 DKK to work in the NGO Red Barnet (Save the Children).

## Great girls meet great women

For the Centennial Conference we have invited both the scholarship recipients who are getting their diplomas now and a number of earlier winners of the Young Women in Public Affairs and the Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship to hear about their further studies and development and what the scholarship has meant to them.

Biola Akinde, chair of the District YWPA Committee and Jane M Klausman Women in Business Committee will lead a break-out session where Zontians can hear more about the scholarships and have the opportunity to talk directly with the awardees present, and the alumnae are introduced to the Europeanwide alumnae network and other Zonta youth initiatives.



Zainab



Rikke



Simone



Carolin



Julia



Agne

# The Zonta Sculpture

The sculpture is donated by Zonta Club Napoli to the city of Copenhagen in 2000 in occasion of the 65 year anniversary of the first Zonta Club in Denmark, Copenhagen I.

The sculpture is created by Neapolitan sculptor Lydia Cottone.

The gift was a thank you for the efforts of Zonta Clubs of Copenhagen to help a group of women in Naples in the late 1970s, by raising funds for medical care and contraceptives for distribution among prostitutes in the metropolitan area of Naples.

In her choice of material (lava from Vesuvius) and design, the artist wanted to create a sculpture that symbolizes human past, present and future.

We can encourage you to take stroll to visit the sculpture.



*Placed at Sankt Jørgens Sø/  
Gyldenløvesgade*





Merket vårt, vår Zonta-nål -  
et symbol for vore mål.  
Del for del det mening gir.  
Samlet det et hele blir.



Dette tegn er solens glød.  
Gir oss håp mot vold og nød.  
Solens stråler bringer liv,  
lys og varme, mere giv.



Vær lojall! er tegnet ord.  
Ekte vennskap setter spor.  
Gir deg styrke, håp og tro,  
over avgrunn bygger bro.



Samhold, fred! I tegnets ånd  
Zontasøstre, hånd i hånd,  
danner kjede, sterk og stor,  
gjennom alle land på jord.



Trygghet, ly, et tegn for vern  
om oss allem nær og fjern.  
Zontaklubben den har fått  
ord for noe trygt og gidt!



Zontamerket, trinn for trinn,  
som til slutt kan rammes inn  
av "Kvadratet" nå det er  
et symbol for Zonta her!

## PROGRAM Closing Banquet

- 18.30 - 19.00 Welcome drink
- 19.25 - 19.30 Dorte Olesen, Denmark's first female University Professor of Mathematics and Governor of Zonta International District 13 welcomes you
- 19.30 - 20.00 Starter  
*Cured cod on cauliflower purée, topped with pickled mushrooms and crispy fries*  
*Château du Pin 2017, aoc Loire\**
- 20.00 - 20.20 Honorary member, Alexandra Christina, Countess of Frederiksborg and Maria José Landeira Østergaard, Ph.D., Senior Manager - Haldor Topsøe A/S Past International President 2014-16
- 20.20 - 21.20 Main course  
*Loin of veal rolled in herb crisp, with grilled onions, parsnip, Seller puré served with parsley fumet and small potatoes.*  
*Château Grand Jean 2016, aoc Bordeaux Supérieur\**  
Lottery
- 21.20 - 21.35 Anja Cetti Andersen  
Professor of Public Understanding of Science, University of Copenhagen
- 21.35 - 21.40 Aviaja Lyberth Hauptmann, Ph.d., Postdoc. at Greenland University, Scientist in Microbial Bioinformatics
- 21.50 - 22.10 Dessert  
*Trifle of forest berries with crystalized white chocolate*  
*Late harvest DELAUNAY St. Aubin 2017, aoc Coteaux du Layon\**
- 22.10 - Coffee with avec

*Venue: Hotel Scandic, Sydhavnen, Copenhagen - Dress code: Party style*

*\* With compliments from Head chef Chris Langholm, Scandic Sydhavnen and Wine expert Annelise Ladegourdie, Ladegourdie Vinimport*

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