

# Gender and Climate Change/

## Køn og klimaforandringer

District Conference/Distriktskonference

Akureyri - Ísland

September 8. - 11. 2011

Programme/Program



Zonta International  
District 13



# Zonta International District 13

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## 1 Preliminary Programme

### Thursday September 8<sup>th</sup>

20.00-22.00 Registration and Get together at the [University of Akureyri](#)

### Friday September 9<sup>th</sup>

08.00-09.00 Registration in Hof

09.00-10.00 Opening Session

10.00-10.30 Coffee Break

10.30-12.30 Lectures on **Gender and Climate Change:**

➤ **Auður H Ingólfssdóttir, Assistant Professor, Bifröst University:**

*Climate Change and Environmental Degradation – What is the link to gender equality?*

➤ **Embla Eir Oddsdóttir, Project Manager, Stefansson Arctic Institute:**

*Climate Change – Displacement and Disaster or Resilience and Recovery?*

➤ **Brynhildur Pétursdóttir, Representative of The Consumer Association of Iceland:**

*Women and Sustainable Consumptions.*

12.30-13.30 Lunch

13.30-15:00 Business Session

15.00-15.30 Coffee Break

15.30-17.00 Business Session

19.00- Dinner at a Zonta home



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## **Saturday September 10<sup>th</sup>**

09.00-10.00 Business Session

10.00-10.30 Coffee Break

10.30-13.00 Business Session

## **Saturday Afternoon**

Norwegian area meeting

City tour in Akureyri with stops at [the Zontahouse](#), [Jón Sveinsson Memorial Museum](#) (Nonnahús) and [Akureyri Museum](#) (Minjasafn Akureyrar).

19.30- Conference Dinner at Hof

## **Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup>**

Excursions to Lake Mývatn, the town of Siglufjörður and Akureyri.



## **2 Proposed Agenda**

1. Official opening 9.00 – 10.00.
  2. Governor *Ragnheiður Hansdóttir* opens the Conference.
  3. Two Zontians play on a flute and a harpsichord.
  4. *Vigdís Finnbogadóttir*, Past President of Iceland, gives a speech.
  5. *A Representative from Akureyri town gives a speech.*
  6. *Lynn McKenzie*, President Elect, Zonta International gives a speech.
  7. Coffee Break 10.00 – 10.30.
  8. Lectures on the Conference theme: 10.30 -12.30:
    - a) *Auður H Ingólfssdóttir*
    - b) *Embla Eir Oddsdóttir*
    - c) *Brynhildur Pétursdóttir*Some discussion afterwards.
  9. 12.30 – 13.30 Lunch in Hof.
  10. Business session 13.30 – 17.00 on Friday and 9.00 – 13.00 on Saturday.
  11. Appointment of Chairman of the Conference, Parliamentarian and Credentials Chairman.
  12. Call on delegates.
  13. Confirmation that the requirement for “Call For Conference” is fulfilled according to Zonta International Bylaws.
  14. Approval of Conference standing Rules.
  15. Approval of Election Procedure.
  16. Approval of the Agenda.
  17. Election of Secretary, 2 keepers of minutes, 2 tellers, 1 time keeper.
  18. Approval of the Minutes of meeting from the District Conference in Roskilde.
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19. Why should we attend Area meetings, District Conferences and Convention? A Zontian from Denmark.
  20. Approval of the reports from the period 1<sup>st</sup> June 2009 – 31st May 2010.
  21. Report from the Nomination Committee for the period 2010- 2012. Presentation of candidates for 2012- 2014.
  22. Election of Candidates 2012 – 2014.
  23. Why should we attend Area meetings, District Conferences and Convention. A Zontian from Lithuania.
  24. Approval of reports for the period June 1<sup>st</sup>- 2010 – 31 May 2011:
    - a) Presentation of Governors and AD's reports.
    - b) Questions to reports.
    - c) Approval of reports.
  25. Report from the District treasurer. Approval of Balance sheet.
  26. Presentation and approval of the budget and the District fee.
  27. Why should we attend Area Meetings, District Conferences and Convention. A Zontian from Iceland.
  28. Ragna Karlsdóttir Chairman for OMC International Committee talks about membership.
  29. A proposal from the District Board.
  30. District 13 – Foundation Ambassador *Aud Aakre*.
  31. The District History – *Eva Nielsen*, District Historian.
  32. A Proposal from Sønderborg Zontaclub
  33. Why should we attend Area meetings, District Conferences and Convention. A Zontian from Norway.
  34. YWPA District winner 2011.
  35. Invitation to the next District Conference in 2013.
  36. Any other business.
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### **3 Supplementary rules for Zonta International District 13**

The motion was carried at the District Conference in Oslo 10<sup>th</sup> of October 1987.

- § 1. Zonta International Bylaws is the prevailing regulation for District 13.
- § 2. Manual of Procedures for Zonta District is the normative for District 13.
- § 3. District 13 official language is Scandinavian<sup>1</sup>. Motions to the District Conference have to be available both in Scandinavian and English.
- § 4. The date for the District Conference is to be announced by the club in charge, at least 5 months ahead.
- § 5. Any motions to be tried at the District Conference, must have reached the Governor at least 90 days prior to the Conference.
- § 6. Summoning to the District Conference is to be sent from the Governor at least 60 days prior to the meeting. An agenda, received motions and the District board resolutions are to be sent along with the summoning. If possible a balance sheet and result accounting for the biennium is also to be sent together with the summoning together with a budget proposal for next biennium.
- § 7. At least 30 days prior to the District Conference the clubs have to notify the Governor or the person appointed by the Governor, who will be their delegate(s) and alternate(s) at the meeting.
- § 8. Amendments of this Supplementary rules for Zonta International District 13, needs a clear majority at the District Conference. Motions of amendment should be sent the Governor according §5, and be set on the agenda according to §6.

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<sup>1</sup> Because of the similarity of the languages in Denmark, Sweden and Norway, and the ability to both speak and understand the languages between the countries have created the term Scandinavian language. In Iceland most of the population speak and understand one of the Scandinavian languages.

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#### **4 Proposed District Conference Rules, District 13**

1. The District Conference shall begin according to the time schedule in the program, if nothing else is decided at the meeting. Delegates and other voting members shall be seated in their assigned seats in the front of the room 5 minutes before each session starts.
2. Voting members are the District Board (Governor, Lt. Governor, Area Directors for the 4 areas, and the Treasurer), as well as club delegates. The clubs have 1 delegate for the first 40 members, and 2 delegates if the club has more than 40 members. The number of club members is decided according to the payment of dues on June 1, 2009. A club has the right to vote, if dues and fees to Zonta International, District and Area are paid before the District Conference starts.
3. If a delegate cannot attend all or part of the conference, her alternate takes her place. This is reported immediately to the District Secretary.
4. All members of clubs in the district have the right to attend and speak at the conference.
5. All motions are presented in a written form. They must have been received by the governor 90 days before the conference and be sent out with the call to conference. Amendments to motions can be presented and discussed at the conference. Amendments should be presented to Governor in English and Scandinavian as soon as possible. Amendments are voted on first. If the Amendment is approved the original motion is not relevant. If the Amendment is not approved, then the original motion is discussed and voted on.
6. If nothing else is decided at the conference, the maximum speaking time is 3 minutes. A participant can speak twice to the same subject, but first-time speakers have priority. 10 minutes is set aside for each motion/proposal, but the time can be extended by the Governor or a majority of the voting members.
7. Governor may limit the time, stop the debate and put the motion or proposal to the vote. No amendments to the motion can then be presented.



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8. Coloured cards are used for voting, where ballots are not needed: The cards are green for yes, red for no and white for abstention. If there are doubts about the votes, the cards must be counted. Alternatively electronic voting may be used for motions or elections.
  
9. Proposals are decided by the majority of the votes cast. In case of parity, the vote of the governor is the deciding vote.
  
10. For situations not described here, the Supplementary Rules for District 13 and Zonta International Bylaws apply.

July 2011,

Ragnheiður Hansdóttir,

Governor District 13, 2010-2012.



## **5 Proposal for Election Procedure, District 13**

1. During the District Conference, the Nominating committee will present the slate of nominees regarding Governor, Lt. Governor, District treasurer, Auditor, Vice Treasurer, Vice Auditor, as well as the Nominating Committee. A ballot with the names of the candidates will be given out at the meeting.
2. More candidates can run from the floor. The candidate must have accepted the position and be qualified according to Zonta International Bylaws. The qualifications are checked by the Nominating committee. The candidate needs not be present at the District Conference.
3. The election is by ballot or electronic voting.
4. During the election the voting members can only vote for one candidate for each of the following positions: Governor, Lt. Governor, Treasurer, Auditor, Vice treasurer, and Vice auditor. Regarding the Nominating committee, it is allowed to vote for one (1), two (2) or three (3) of the candidates.
5. A similar procedure is used for electronic voting. Here the results will normally be instantly available.
6. The ballots will afterwards be put in a suitable box and the votes counted by the elected tellers assisted by the District Secretary.
7. Governor, Lt. Governor, Treasurer, Auditor, Vice Treasurer, and Vice Auditor are elected by majority vote. If the 2 candidates with the highest number of votes receive the same number of votes, re-election between these 2 candidates must be done as soon as possible. Regarding the Nominating committee the 3 candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be elected. If 2 candidates receive the same number of votes, re-election will only take place, if it makes a difference to who actually gets elected.

July 2011,

Ragnheiður Hansdóttir,

Governor, District 13.

## **6 Nominees for District 13 in biennium 2011 – 2013**

The Nominating Committee nominates the following candidates for the District in biennium 2011-2013:

**Governor:** *Brit W. Haave at present Lt-Governor and previous AD in Norway, Zontaclub of Egersund, Norway.*

**Lt- Governor:**

- a) *Eva Nielsen Zontaclub of Esbjerg Denmark, previous AD in Denmark.*
- b) *Dorte Olesen, Zontaclub Copenhagen I Denmark.*

**Treasurer:** *Fjóla Björk Jónsdóttir Zontaclub of Akureyri, Iceland, at present treasurer of District 13.*

**Accountant:** *Sigríður Jónsdóttir Zontaclub of Akureyri, Iceland, previous treasurer for District 13.*

**Vice Treasurer:** *Karen Bredgård Lassen, Zontaclub of Vejle, Denmark.*

**Vice Accountant:** *Jonna Roth, Hillerød Zontaclub, Denmark.*

**Candidates for the Nominating Committee 2011 -2013:**

- a) *Britta Brandt, Zontaclub of Ikast, Denmark.*
- b) *Helle Bovbjerg, Zontaclub of Viborg, Denmark.*
- c) *Kari Ormstadt, Zontaclub of Oslo I, Norway.*
- d) *Sólveig Jónsdóttir, Embla Zontaclub, Reykjavík.*
- e) *Elisabeth Solbakken, Zontaclub of Egersund, Norway.*

## **7 A Proposal from the District Board 2010 - 2012**

The Board of District 13, 2010-2012 proposes that English shall be the official language in District 13.

**Rationale:** At present it is stated in the rules of procedures for District 13 Conferences that all papers for the Conference shall be distributed in English and one Scandinavian language. The number of papers distributed to delegates at the conference are therefore doubled. Only a few of the Lithuanian members understand Scandinavian languages and many Icelandic members prefer English. Members from Denmark and Norway understand English and the International Director prefers English.

## **8 A Proposal for discussion at Zonta International District 13 Conference in Iceland**

In order to realise Zonta's vision for a better world for women it is necessary that we reach the goals that are set for each biennium. The goals depend first on raising funds for the projects and second on influencing public opinion so that laws are passed aiming at creating better conditions for women and also making certain that laws, once passed, are enforced.

We must be visible, recognised and accepted and, not the least, numerous in order to be able to raise the funds required. In our opinion we must do better in this respect, for although new clubs are established in our district, number 13, we, unfortunately, are losing clubs and members in other districts. The impact of Zonta also is limited to its members and to the few, who have become acquainted with us from the outside.

*We must amend this. We must have a distinct profile that can strengthen Zonta's acceptance.*

We have also learned from the minutes of the recent European Zonta-conference in Bonn that a project, loyally accepted by all the clubs, was discussed.

We, on the board of Zonta in Sønderborg, which is established by a young team, have discussed the challenge and put forth the following points for discussion at the district meeting:

- **That Zonta has one – and only one – world-wide project, which is to alleviate diseases that afflict numerous women, e.g. research in the treatment of breast cancer or vaccination for vaginal cancer.**
- **Having a world-wide project requires thorough research in order to ascertain that the project is the proper one and that we can make a difference.**
- **In the same vein Rotary is known for combating polio all over the world. Besides they have aligned themselves with Bill Gates, which has increased the value, the donations and strengthened the vision – thanks to his renown.**

**Proposed by L.D. Johannsen, Zonta Sønderborg**

It is our hope that the district meeting will draw the Zonta International Board's attention to this problem. Also Zonta Sønderborg looks forward to more emphasis being put on the Zonta brand name and that a unique enforcement project will be put on the agenda at the district meeting in Iceland.

Forwarded from Zonta Sønderborg by Marianne L.D. Johannsen, president.



## 9 Financial Statement and budget

### (Financial Statement and budget) Resultatopgørelser og budgetter (NOK)

	Note	Regnskab 2009/2010	Budget 2009/2010	Regnskab 2010/2011	Budget 2010/2011
<b>Indtægter (Income)</b>					
Kontingent Danmark (Members fee)		79.300	80.600	78.000	81.900
Kontingent Island (Members fee)		25.480	27.300	26.520	26.130
Kontingent Norge (Members fee)		38.870	42.640	39.130	40.430
Kontingent Lithauen (Members fee)		10.920	14.300	7.280	11.700
<b>Indtægter i alt (Total income)</b>	1	<u>154.570</u>	<u>164.840</u>	<u>150.930</u>	<u>160.160</u>
<b>Udgifter ( Expenses)</b>					
AD ér udgifter (expenses)	2	-41.610	-40.000	-35.761	-36.000
Governor, Lt. governor, sekretær og kasserer	3	<u>-72.065</u>	<u>-80.000</u>	<u>-102.452</u>	<u>-95.500</u>
<i>Udgifter til distriktsstyr i alt (Expenses total the board)</i>		-113.675	-120.000	-138.213	-131.500
Øvrige udgifter (Other expenses)	4	<u>-31.321</u>	<u>-45.500</u>	<u>-7.597</u>	<u>-26.000</u>
<b>Resultat før finansielle poster (Outcome before interest)</b>		9.573	-660	5.120	2.660
Finansielle indtægter (Interest income & currency exchange)		<u>4.414</u>	<u>2.600</u>	<u>-10.671</u>	<u>3.000</u>
<b>Resultat ( Profit)</b>		<u>13.987</u>	<u>1.940</u>	<u>-5.551</u>	<u>5.660</u>

**Balance sheet**  
**Balance (NOK)**

<b>Aktiver (Assets)</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>31.5.2010</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>31.5.2011</b>
Indestående bank ( Bank deposits)		293.162		312.578
Tilgodehavender ( Receivables)		43.367		13.584
<b>Aktiver i alt (Total Assets)</b>		<u>336.529</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>326.161</u>
<b>Passiver (Liabilities)</b>		<b>31.5.2010</b>		<b>31.5.2011</b>
<b>Egenkapital (Capital)</b>				
Saldo		309.556		309.556
Året resultat (Profit)				<u>-5.551</u>
<b>Egenkapital i alt (Total capital)</b>		<u>309.556</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>304.004</u>
Fond til netværkopbygning Litauen (	5	2.143		2.143
Grant for San Antonio		0		0
<b>Fond til netværkopbygning Litauen i alt</b>				
Kortfristet gæld ( Prepaid fee)		24.830		20.014
<b>Passiver i alt (Total liabilities)</b>		<u>336.529</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>326.161</u>



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## Noter til regnskab og budgetter

	<i>Regnskab</i> 2009/2010	<i>Budget</i> 2009/2010	<i>Regnskab</i> 2010/2011	<i>Budget</i> 2010/2011
<b>Note 1</b>				
<b>Antal medlemmer</b>				
Danmark	610	620	600	630
Island	196	210	204	201
Norge	299	300	301	311
Lithauen	84	110	56	90
	1.189	1.240	1.161	1.232
		96%		94%
<b>Kontingent opkrævet og budgetteret pr.medlem n.kr.</b>	130	130	130	130

	<i>Regnskab</i> 2009/2010	<i>Budget</i> 2009/2010	<i>Regnskab</i> 2010/2011	<i>Budget</i> 2010/2011
<b>Note 2</b>				
<b>AD ér udgifter</b>				
DK rejse til area møder				
DK distriktsstyremøder (District meetings)	6.170	10.000	6.089	9.000
DK distriktsmøder				
DK administration				
IS rejse til area møder				
IS distriktsstyremøder (District meetings)	12.903	10.000	8.654	9.000
IS distriktsmøder				
IS administration				
NO rejse til area møder				
NO distriktsstyremøder (District meetings)	10.900	10.000	13.922	9.000
NO distriktsmøder				
NO administration				
LT rejse til area møder				
LT distriktsstyremøder (District meetings)	11.636	10.000	7.097	9.000
LT distriktsmøder			-	
LT administration				
Administration efter regning	-	-	-	-
<b>AD ér udgifter i alt ( Total AD expenses)</b>	41.610	40.000	35.761	36.000



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## Note 3

	<i>Regnskab</i> 2009/2010	<i>Budget</i> 2009/2010	<i>Regnskab</i> 2010/2011	<i>Budget</i> 2010/2011
<b>Governor, Lt. governor, sekretær og kasserer</b>				
Governor mødeudgifter (meetings)	-	4.600	4.107	5.000
Governor udgifter convention	-	-	29.043	22.000
Governor distriktsstyremøder (District board meetings)	7.537	6.000	9.071	8.000
Governor distriktsmøde (District meetings)		6.000	8.534	6.000
Governor telefon og fax m.v.	-	200	-	400
Lt. governor mødeudgifter (meetings)				
Lt. governor udgifter convention	-		19.300	22.000
Lt. governor distriktsstyremøder (District board meetings)	12.505	11.000	12.778	9.000
Lt. governor distriktsmøde (District meetings)	841	5.000	-	
Lt. governor telefon og fax m.v.				
Sekretær distriktsstyremøder (District boardmeetings)	5.211	11.000	10.440	9.000
Sekretær distriktsmøde (meetings)				
Sekretær telefon og fax m.v.	-	200	-	100
Kasserer distriktsstyremøder (Treasurer Dist boardmeetings)	13.891	11.000	9.179	9.000
Kasserer distriktsmøde (meetings)				
Kasserer telefon og fax m.v.				
Fællesudgifter i forbindelse med møder ( Other exp /meetings)	9.024	3.000		5.000
Fællesmøde med nyt styre (Other exp v/new board)	23.057	22.000		-
<b>Governor, Lt. governor, sekretær og kasserer i alt</b>	<b>72.065</b>	<b>80.000</b>	<b>102.452</b>	<b>95.500</b>

## Note 4

### Øvrige udgifter (Other expenses)

	<i>Regnskab</i> 2009/2010	<i>Budget</i> 2009/2010	<i>Regnskab</i> 2010/2011	<i>Budget</i> 2010/2011
Administrationsudgifter m.v	567	0	0	500
Porto, bankomk og fragt ( Postage,bankcost, freight)	1.410	2.500	0	500
Udgifter komiteer/ Foundation ambassador	11.717	13.000		
Stipendie YWPA ( Scholar )	0	2.000	0	3.000
Stipendie Jane Klausman (Scholarship)	0	2.000	0	3.000
Andre gaver (Other gifts)	318	3.000	577	5.000
Støtte til oprettelse nye klubber (support new clubs)	0	6.000	1.439	6.000
Støtte til nye kl første delta distrm (support new clubs for distric)	3.000	8.000		
Støtte til rejse Litauen distriktsmøde	0	0		
Køb af Zonta pins ( Zontapins)	0	0		
Salg af Zonta pins				
Udgifter distriktets hjemmeside (Exp v/homepaga)	1.880	4.000	5.159	3.000
Uforudsete indtægter (Other income)				
Uforudsete udgifter (Other expenses)	1.051	5.000	421	5.000
Overskud på distriktsmøde				
Kursreguleringer (revalue)	-1.121			
Gave til ZI projekter (Donate to ZI)	12.500			
<b>Øvrige udgifter i alt</b>	<b>31.321</b>	<b>45.500</b>	<b>7.597</b>	<b>26.000</b>