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Good evening,

It is very nice to be in Finland.

For us women, your Country is a *pioneer* in feminism and *your* progress in the last years is a model for a lot of Nations.

Thanks a lot to the President Mrs TARJA HALONEN and Mrs EVA BIAUDET Minister for health and LAWYERS ASSOCIATION FINLAD and Mrs ELISABETH MUELLER President of EWLA for her invitation.

This words I will say to you are *just* my personal thinking  
*You could find the thinking of FIFCJ, the association that I belong, in some of our official documents, that I have the pleasure to add to this communication.*

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**THE FUTURE OF EUROPE**

We have very big challenges in front of us.

One challenge is: What Europe we want?

We want:

To build a political global Europe.

Open to entire world.

We have great values. I think that when there are values they should be for everyone.

Developing values is possible when we share them with other people.

This sharing is very difficult, so it is very important to look for ways to achieve it.

Other challenger is: Want we receive foreigners or we prefer close our borders?

If Europe wants to keep its standard of living it needs foreigners to come to Europe.

Our nataly tax is very low.

We need people from others countries.

That is very important, but how?

There are different countries whose citizens want to come to Europe.

Why do this people want to come to Europe?

Most come from very poor countries and seek a better life.

So the first problem is the poverty. It is a big tragedy to have leaved our own country. Our families, our traditions, our life.

### The poverty

In the world there is food for everybody. But there are not well distributed.

Where are the solutions?

The world is like a very big family that needs a big mother to organize things.

That is possible.

To most important question is to find ways to distribute wealth.

There are people who studied and have found solutions for wealth distribution.

Abolition of tax heavens.

Tax on all economic transactions.

International Government. A new United Nations.

An International Crime Court. Who can work without link.

And Disparition of fear.

The last and tragic evenements have increase fear in all over the world.

It is very important to distinguish the real fear and the virtual fear.

For example: The fear that comes from real tragedies or this one that comes from movies and play-games.

When we are afraid we need arms as we need medicines for our health we are sick.

There are people interested that everybody has more fear to increase their profits.

The big solution is that everybody could remain in his or her countries with all possibilities to develop and to have a human life. To travel away could always stay for exchanges and pleasure.

But, what to do until we reach this goal? Especially with migrations?

The problem with migrations is that there are some traditions that came from other countries that collide with our constitutions.

For example:

Ablation - It is a crime of bodily injury.

Arranged marriages – It is a crime against personal freedom

Polygamy - That is Monogamy in law.

Made girls to leave school when they reach menstruation  
Age 12/13. - In our countries education lasts until age 16.

You know this reality very well. -

And you know that good organization is needed to avoid xenophobia.

We are wrong when our countries only think, in front of foreigner, how many are needed for this or that industry.

We are wrong when we don't think about what is the best for the people who arrive in Europe and the people who live in Europe.

I know there are a lot of offices and people in the Administration who work on this issue. But there is unwritten law that is very dangerous: And this law says: The profit is the most important.

This unwritten law must be changed.

The most important is the Human Being.

It is necessary to change mentalities.

We, women of the world, need to develop our creative talents.

We need a wise Europe, an open Europe.

We want a Europe that takes individuals into account before business interests.

We want a Europe that promotes peace.

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Violence against women.

In the world their husbands or partners have killed a lot of women.

There are many men who have a new awareness. They are at our side.

But, unfortunately, others continue maltreating their companions.

Where are the solutions?

Psychological and economic independence for women.

Creation points of legal advice.

Education for women.

Budget for victims

Education for men and psychological treatment since the first harassing.

To create associations to aid these women and their children who suffer violence.

Perhaps to teach women to defend themselves against aggressions.

We hope that women and men will be able to finish with violence someday.

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Company Law.

In the world of company law there are many things to change.

One thing is that Companies must work for profit. But another think is working without any control on these profits. That takes us to death dynamics for a lot of countries and communities.

We have, also, great economists that have showed us some ways to change this dynamics.

I am not suggesting that rich people become poor, but that richness could be shared in a way that the entire world could live. And that this entire people who have more than they need to live, could have it, but not at the price of taking out the necessary means to live for other people.

Returning to the example of a big mother who governs the world, I hope that everyone according to their responsibility must continue building a better future for the Europe and the world.

Thanks very much.

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