

The 100-Year Histories of the International Federation for Home Economics

To recognize and celebrate the 100th anniversary of IFHE, the Federation will officially launch two publications at the 2008 World Congress in Lucerne, Switzerland:

- written history (*100 Years of the International Federation for Home Economics 1908-2008*) and
- DVD (*The International Federation for Home Economics 100 Years 1908-2008 DVD*).

These were developed by the IFHE History Committee and should provide members with a sense of pride in what the Federation has accomplished over its 100 years, sometimes under difficult circumstances, and should help facilitate the important reflections and deliberations required by the Federation as it moves forward on its century-old mission to work on behalf of and strengthen individuals, families, and households throughout the world. Additionally, the publications should serve as a means to inform others about the work of the Federation and its members and help bring greater world-wide visibility to the Federation and to the profession of Home Economics.

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IFHE HISTORY BOOK 100 YEARS OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION FOR HOME ECONOMICS 1908-2008

The written history: In Part One, five chapters document the evolution of IFHE over its 100 years on a wide variety of themes. Chapter 1 discusses the founding of the Federation (the first Congress, the first International Office, the first Statutes) while Chapter 2 documents the changing nature of the Federation (name, location, languages, aims, membership, finances). Chapter 3 examines the governance of the Federation (Congress Assembly, Council, Executive Committee, the International Office, the Presidents) and Chapter 4 describes the extensive programme of work undertaken by IFHE during its 100 years (world congresses, publications, the documentation centre, resolutions, consultative status with the United Nations, the International Year of the Family, committees and task forces, regionalization). Chapter 5 provides a summary of the previous chapters and identifies questions and issues arising from this history that require attention as the Federation moves forward into its second century. Part Two of the written history (Chapter 6) includes reports from the five IFHE Regions and from ~30 member countries, prepared especially for this history. The book includes four appendices (a chronology of IFHE, a list of all resolutions approved by IFHE since 1908, an overview of all Congress programmes beginning with 1908, a list of those serving in leadership positions since 1908) and an extensive reference list and bibliography.

This 500+-page history was based on a thorough review and analysis of IFHE's major official documents such as the minutes of meetings, congress programmes and proceedings, and journals and newsletters. Thus it is a major reference and resource for IFHE and its members as they continue the

work of the Federation and communicate its activities and accomplishments to others.

IFHE History DVD
INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION FOR HOME ECONOMICS 100 YEARS
1908-2008 DVD

The International Federation for Home Economics 100 Years 1908-2008 (DVD), a 60 minute document, which highlights selected events, activities, and leaders in IFHE's history. The DVD is a pictorial view and a narrative of our History with International music. It addresses our: work, governance structure, accomplishments, and partnerships, including UN NGO work and some educational outreach in countries.

The DVD was developed to be used as a universal statement in introducing IFHE globally. It will introduce IFHE's history and expertise to those interested in world issues associated with individuals, families, and communities. The DVD can be used:

- To update our members and to celebrate our 100 years and its future anniversaries in our country organizations.
- To introduce potential members to IFHE's mission.
- To inform faculty at and in universities- home economics, family and consumer sciences classes and in collaboration with other classes addressing international social and environmental issues; and in college orientation programs of high school students to bring new students into our profession.
- To inform potential collaborators or cooperators in other professional organizations, country governments, and private sectors about our international professional work on global issues, and expertise in conducting educational programs.

The "New Millennium Statement" at the end of the DVD can help IFHE members address global issues with the same theme worldwide. It can serve as our outreach agent and a statement in initiating opportunities to collaborate with governments and the private sector.

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION FOR HOME ECONOMICS-100 YEARS 1908-2008 (DVD)
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Photographs, documents, references, and music were received from IFHE members, Country Federations, and the IFHE Bonn office for use in the DVD.

The DVD was reviewed and evaluated six times during its development by home economists at sites in Washington, DC, Virginia, and Maryland. The home economists included members of IFHE and those with international experience. Home economists from different Regions reviewed sections of the DVD script.