Full name of Association, when and by whom founded?

Krug (Circle), Croatian Businesswomen Association, 1995, founding members

Full name of President and Board members (please attach the photo of the President and/or Board

members): Amelia Tomašević, President

Diana Vranković Zoričić, Chairperson

Executive Board : Jadranka Alešković Bonić Zita Bažić Potočki

Valnea Bressan Antonija Cvetković Vlasta Franolić Dunja Konjevod Vlasta Hautz Maričić Anica Igrec Jadranka Radovanić Marija Šola

Photo attached.

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Membership (number) and information on regional/local divisions:

The Association has about 100 founding members with linkages with women groups all over Croatia. Headquarter office is in Croatian capital Zagreb with branch offices in Split, Varaždin and Rijeka.

Aims and objectives:

- to contribute to the process of transition and democratization of society
- to influence the passing of national legislation related to micro, small and medium enterprises
- securing and enabling environment for the growth of women run businesses
- assisting businesswomen to contribute to development of Croatian economy
- contributing to the high level of national business education
- cooperation with the public information centers and public information media

Profile of activities and highlights

- organization of regular forums dealing with practical problems facing businesswomen in their everyday working and family lives
- organization of seminars on current legal and financial aspects of business operations in Croatia
- launching ad-hoc polls among business and professional women
- issuing publications and newsletters
- investment promotion
- continuous interaction with relevant national governmental and non-governmental bodies and associations
- attendance at international meetings and fairs

Cooperation with associations in other countries:

- interaction with international networks of businesswomen such as FCEDM, AIDDA, World Summit of Women Business Leaders, etc.
- in addition cooperation has been established with the United Nations, UNIDO and the sub-regional groupings such as the Central European Initiative (CEI).

some contacts were also established with national women's association in Europe and North America.

Full name of Association, when and by whom founded:

.Association of Women Entrepreneurs - Croatia

. Founded by 10 women entrepreneurs on February 22nd 2000

Full name of President and Board members (please attach the photo of the President and/or Board members): President Danica Babić

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Membership (number) and information on regional/local divisions:

The members are all over Croatia - 62 regular members

The main office is situated in Zagreb, and regional division in Split / Dalmatia (Adriatic Coast) and Osijek/Slavonija

Aims and objectives:

- To support the women entrepreneurs in Croatia,
- To increase the number and quality of dynamic growth oriented firms among women entrepreneurs,
- To work on development of entrepreneurial qualities, functional areas of business management and decision making among the members with special accentuation on developing women and men partnership.
- To create and support engagement of women in the professions that are traditionally saved for men,
- To support the women entrepreneurship role in management and co-ordination of all their activities business and family duties towards the better quality of their life,
- To create a new view to the duties in the family changing the traditional dividing of the duties among men and wife,
- To organize education and training courses in all aspects of business and self-development of the members and other women entrepreneurs, to develop ways and means to facilitate external conditions,
- To co-operate with similar associations and organisations in the region and in other countries,
- To promote positive social change and affirmation of the specific position of women entrepreneurship in the framework of upgrading it and the analysing the advantages for the local and national community,
- To support the process of association (in all aspects such as education, quality norms and production standards, legal issues, etc.), to the European Union and other regional associations,
- To support the process of transition, democratisation and building of civil society in Croatia

Profile of Activities and highlights

- To spread the awareness and neccesity of mutual cooperation among the women entrepreneurs in Croatia,
- To organise and implement the scientific research of women entrepreneurship in Croatia (we do not have any type of research till today),
- To prepare the analysis of the research results with comments, recomendations and suggestions to the institutional (state) level,
- To build the results in the future policy of the Governmental institutions aimed to the support small and medium enterprises,
- To classify a data base about all specific issues regarding women entrepreneurs,
- To organise a workshop in Zagreb during The Zagreb Trade Fair (mid September 2001),
- To organise a workshop with GTZ (Deutzche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit) and VdU (Verband deutscher Unternehmerinnen) in October 2001 in Zagreb,
- To schedule and hold the seminars, training and education courses of our members in specific fields according to their interest.
- Cooperation with associations in other countries:
- Close cooperation with The Women association in Slovenia (GIZ Podjetnost), FYRof Macedonia (Asocijacija žena preduzimača Makedonije - ARNA), AIDDA - Italy, BPW Swiss, division in Pula (Prvi hrvatski klub Pula), AFEM - Association des Femmes Chefs d'Enterprises du Maroc.
- Willingness to cooperate with many others similar association