Ecumenical Forum of European Christian Women (EFECW)

EFECW

- Strengthens the ecumenical women's network
- Supports women in their search for a common identity in Europe
- Links women together in the liberating message of the Bible
- Promotes initiatives for peace, justice and reconciliation
- Calls for practical action
- Lobbies for women
- Makes statements on important issues

EFECW is a network

EFECW is a network of women from all Christian traditions. EFECW was founded in 1982 in Gwatt Switzerland. An Assembly is held every four years at which three Co Presidents and a Coordinating Committee are elected.
A network of National Coordinators (NCs) serves the Forum at national level. All women both on the European level as well as in the national committees work on a voluntary basis.

EFECW encourages projects including:

- Ecumenical Education
- Women's spirituality
- Networking
- Multi-faith Europe
- Management and Financing of projects and organisations
- European Citizenship
- Political Learning
- Ethics and Ecology
- Justice and Peace
- Violence against women
- Trafficking in women

Publications

News and Annual Report available on request.

The Ruth Epting Fund

The fund is for women to give and receive to ensure the future of the Forum. We need to make sure those women, especially those new to ecumenical engagement, can share in the experience of the Forum and that all countries are adequately represented when decisions are made. Many are prevented by the lack of finances and the inability to raise money in the economic climate of their own countries.
www.efecw.net/epting

"The challenges for Christian women are manifold. The secularisation of our contemporary world; the commitment to the agenda of the Charta Oecumenica; and breaking down the frontiers to meet and network beyond national limits. To go forward on this pilgrimage three virtues are needed: courage – hope – patience."

Any group or organisation interested in joining EFECW or any individual interested in becoming a Friend of the Forum, please contact:

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Membership

Membership is for those who accept the aims of the Forum.

- Christian women's organisations
- Women representatives of church-related groups
- Any group of women (fifteen or more)
- Each country pays an agreed membership fee.

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is present in over thirty countries in Europe, enabling, enriching and empowering women to work together.