





International Theme 2025-2026

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TO AMEND OUR IIW CONSTITUTION

Dear Inner Wheel Friends engaged in Constitution work,

As the focus of our work suggests, we are entering an important phase — reviewing, amending, and strengthening our Constitution from 2024. At the Convention in Manila 2027, these proposals will be presented for discussion, where they will either be approved or rejected by vote.

A gentle reminder: all proposals must reach the International Inner Wheel Headquarters by 11th November 2025. This deadline is final, and only those received on time can be considered.

With just two months remaining, we have an intense but meaningful period of work ahead. Together, let us ensure that every proposal is carefully prepared so that our Constitution reflects the best for the future of Inner Wheel.

The usual practice for submitting a proposal is to first prepare it within your Club, and then share it with another Club, District, or National Council to obtain their support. This "seconding" process also ensures a careful check that the proposal aligns with the current Constitution — only the **2024 Reformatted Edition** is valid at present — and determines whether it needs to be inserted into the existing text. (Kindly refer to pages 28-29 Changes to the Constitution)

Our Constitution is intentionally concise, with brief and precise wording. More detailed explanations of duties and responsibilities for various roles are contained in the Duties & Responsibilities section. This helps prevent our Constitution book from becoming too large.

All the necessary forms and leaflets are easily accessible — either directly from the **IIW website** or available on request from Headquarters, just a click away. And sometimes, in reviewing the resources, you may even find that your proposal is not required after all!

To avoid any confusion, please ensure that your proposals clearly state the correct page and section references from the Constitution. Remember, this is not an editing exercise — the IIW Executive Committee cannot alter your wording to add or remove words in order to adjust the

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meaning. Our role is simply to guide you within the given time frame.

When proposals from different countries cover the same issue, only one version can be taken forward, and the others will be informed accordingly. Also, if your proposal is based on an outdated edition of the Constitution & Handbook, it cannot be considered — please ensure you use the current edition of the IIW Constitution and Handbook 2024 (Reformatted)

In the IIW Executive Committee, we recognise the effort that has gone into developing new and creative ways of looking at our organisation. Much of this work has been prepared by a few dedicated members, with proposals then being seconded by others.

Recently, however, we have become aware that some draft proposals have been translated into local languages and published on national websites. While well-intentioned, this creates concern, as these proposals have not yet been formally accepted. All Clubs will have the opportunity to discuss and, if needed, suggest amendments to accepted proposals before the Manila 2027 Convention.

Publishing material that is still under consideration risks causing confusion among members and may weaken confidence in IIW. As your elected representatives, we are committed to earning and maintaining your trust by carrying out the mandate you have given us with integrity and transparency.

On behalf of the IIW Executive Committee, In friendship,

Patricia M. Hilton

IIW Constitution Chairman 2024-2026