

## **WECF** I Women in Europe for a Common Future

## Christine von Weizsäcker, new President of the Board of Trustees of WECF.

The new president of WECF, Christine von Weizsäcker, is biologist, researcher and activist. She has been working on technology assessment for civil society since the mid-seventies and participated in the negotiations of the Convention on Biodiversity (CBD) and its Cartagena Protocol on Bio safety since 1994. Her many publications have contributed to the scientific and public debate. Amongst the organisations she was serving are the following: Ecoropa (European Network of Networkers on Environement, Democracy and North-South Justice), president; Diverse Women for Diversity, co-founder; CBD-Alliance (international alliance of NGOs attending the negotiations of the UN-Convention on Biological Diversity and its Cartagena Protocol), board; Advisory Committee on Sustainable Development of the Protestant Churches in Germany, member; Advisory Committee of the Federation of German Scientists, member; also member of its Working Group on agriculture and biodiversity.

She has contributed to the Work of the German Consumer Testing Group for 20 years in different functions promoting the inclusion of environmental criteria; and was member of the Scientific Advisory Committee on Consumer and Food Policy of the German Ministry for Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection co-authoring its Guidelines for Sustainable Consumption.

Christine is looking for solutions that integrate environmental and justice issues with a special concern for enabling women to contribute equally in viable cooperation with men to our common future.