

## **Deirdre O'Connell**

### ***Vice-President Europa Donna***

Deirdre O'Connell lives in Dublin and is a breast cancer survivor. She has been a member of Europa Donna Ireland, The Irish Breast Cancer Campaign, since 1998 and is now its Chair. She has been on the Board of EUROPA DONNA – The European Breast Cancer Coalition since 1999 and is its current Vice President.

Deirdre O'Connell represents EUROPA DONNA on various European breast cancer related bodies and has spoken as a patient advocate at a number of conferences and seminars. She was a member of the Executive Committee of the European Patients' Forum and represents EUROPA DONNA on the EU Health Policy Forum. In Ireland Deirdre is a member of the National Quality Assurance Group for Symptomatic Breast Disease Services. By profession she is a university librarian and currently works as a freelance researcher.