

# GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY LETTER

D1420 2020-2021, DG Sakari Karjalainen, Southern Finland and Estonia

## DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT MONTH



Rotary dollar = 0,84 €



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### Important dates:

2021

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### Theme of the month more topical than ever

Finland, Estonia and other European countries are experiencing a second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic, and many restrictions introduced in the spring have now been reintroduced. Several clubs held their autumn meetings face to face, but during the last few weeks meetings have once again been held remotely or have been suspended. Let's look after the safety of ourselves, other Rotarians, and all our friends and family. I encourage all clubs to continue holding their meetings remotely after the year end! If your club needs assistance setting up remote meetings, contact your Assistant Governor, chairman of the district IT committee, or the undersigned.

### Assistant Governor changes

Pohjois-alue Region Assistant Governor **Ahti Kara** (Hyvinkää Rotary Club) requested to be relieved of his position for personal reasons and was replaced by AG **Eija Mattila** (Hyvinkää Rotary Club).

Eija Mattila's position as Pohjois-Helsinki ja Vantaa Region Assistant Governor was inherited by AG **Jari Porthén** (Tikkurila Rotary Club).

I want to thank Ahti for his excellent work and I wish Eija all the success as Assistant Governor in this new region as well. I would also like to welcome Jari to the demanding but exciting position of Assistant Governor!

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## Secretary General appointments

The current Secretary General of Finland's Rotary Service **PDG Harry Hedman** will continue as Secretary General after his current term ends up until 30.6.2022. **PDG Pentti Aspila** starts as Secretary General on 1.7.2022 and his term will last until 30.6.2025. We offer our congratulations to both and wish each success in their position important to all Rotarians of Finland and Estonia!



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## Announcing PP Ritva Semi's nomination as candidate for District Governor Nominee for Rotary year 2023–24

*Rotary International Bylaws article 12 (2019 Manual of Procedure), Governor's announcement to club presidents of Rotary district 1420.*

The district assembly elected on 24.10.2020 as the governor nominating committee for Rotary year 2023–2024 the district council supplemented by Assistant Governors Teuvo Metsäpelto and Aune Past.

In its meeting on 15.12.2020 the district 1420 governor nominating committee went through the applications submitted by the deadline 30.11.2020. The nominating committee unanimously nominated **PP Ritva Semi** (Pasila-Fredriksberg Rotary Club) as district governor nominee for Rotary year 2023–2024.

As stipulated in Article 12.030.10, I declare the nominating committee's nominee **PP Ritva Semi** as district 1420 District Governor Nominee for Rotary year 2023–24.

DG Sakari Karjalainen

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## Advanced Rotary training in early 2021

Our district's training committee is organizing a third "Advanced Rotary training course" in three parts during the winter. The dates are 13.2, 6.3 and 20.3. The sessions will start at 9:00 and end at 16:00. The course will be held at Hanaholmen Culture Center in Espoo.

The training course is suitable for all Rotarians, both new members and experienced Rotarians, who wish to increase their Rotary knowledge. It is especially suitable for those who want to help improve their club and those interested in participating in the district's activities.

The three themes of the course are: Myself as a Rotarian, My Rotary club, and My expanding Rotary world.

The training course can also be completed in parts: if you are unable to attend on a certain date you can finish the course next year or take part in a neighbouring district's training. The training course will follow the principles of The Rotary Leadership Institute.

### WHY PARTICIPATE?

**Develop your leadership**

**Learn more about Rotary**

**Come up with ideas – and exchange them**

**Develop and lead club projects**

**Improve communication**

Signup link

<https://www.lyyti.fi/reg/696325-342390220>

