

38. Ms. Maria de Lourdes DE VEER



Current Position: WT Council Member
Date of Birth: October 13, 1952
Gender: Female
Nationality: Netherlands
Language: English, Spanish, Papiamentu

A. Qualification & Experience in Taekwondo

- *WT Council MEMBER 2017-2021*
- *WTPA Ex officio Council Member 2018-2001*
- *Aruba Taekwondo Association President 2013-2015 and Treasurer 1999-2004*
- *Kukkiwon 7 Dan Black Belt*
- *Kukkiwon International Master Instructor*
- *WT International Referee Kyrougi Class 1, 2002-2017*
- *WT International Referee Poomsae Class 1, 2007-2021*
- *WT Women' Committee*
- *WTPA Poomsae Referee Committee*
- *Founder and head instructor of Oranjestad Taekwondo Center (Taekwondo school)*

B. Experience in Other Areas (Other Sports, Business or Professional)

- *Women's Club of Aruba President*
- *Welfare Chairman*
- *Worked organizing projects in AIDS and Cancer prevention*
- *Volunteer work with the elderly, children and people with intellectual disabilities*
- *Organized the first Special Olympics in Aruba*

C. Education

- *University Bachelor degree in Humanities, mayor in History*

D. Vision for WT in next 4-years

- *The continued development and growth of Taekwondo as an Olympic sport.*
- *The recognition of WT as an instrument of peace, and to have a greater participation in the sport around the world.*
- *To motivate and encourage more female participation in leadership positions*