2003 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Shirin Ebadi from Iran visits Finland

Iranian human rights advocate and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Shirin Ebadi will arrive for a visit in Finland on Friday, 17 December. Shirin Ebadi was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2003 for her achievements in promoting democracy and human rights. Ebadi is particularly known for promoting the rights of women and children in Iran. She is the first Muslim woman to be awarded a Nobel Peace Prize. Ebadi's visit is hosted by the UN Development Fund for Women, UNIFEM, in Finland and she will meet with President Tarja Halonen and representatives of the Development Policy Department of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland.

Former President of Finland Mr. Martti Ahtisaari who also won Noble Peace Prize, 2008.

We are proud of both of them: President Martti Ahtisaari and Ms. Shirin Ebadi.

The Nobel Peace Prize 2008
"For his important efforts, on several continents and over more than three decades, to resolve international conflicts".

Martti Ahtisaari
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