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Statute

act for transformation non-profit association

§ 1 Name, registered office and scope of business

(1) The name of the association is

act for transformation, non-profit association

(2) The registered office of the association is Aalen, Germany.

(3) The object of the association is to support and implement social and cultural projects at home and abroad,

especially through:

- 3.1. Communication of methods of civil conflict transformation and non-violence as well as the development of peace-building strategies and the prevention of violence and crime
- 3.2. Promotion of international awareness, understanding between peoples and tolerance as well as arranging international meetings and voluntary service
- 3.3. Support of children's and adolescents' education, in the areas of school and vocational education and in the acquisition of social skills
- 3.4. Support of cultural and sports projects with the aim of fostering understanding and tolerance
- 3.5. Support of development aid projects, helping to secure people's basic livelihood
(ecological and income generating projects)
- 3.6. Support and aid for war victims, those politically and ethnically persecuted as well as support for reintegration projects

(4) The association provides services such as consultancy, cooperation and training for social, ecological and cultural projects and organisations working in the above mentioned field.

(5) Business transactions with non-members are permitted.

§ 2 Non-profit purpose

(1) The association pursues wholly and directly non-profit and charitable objectives in the sense of the "tax-privileged purposes" section of the tax code in its currently valid version. The association is altruistic and does not primarily pursue its own economic interests.

(2) Any profits which may accrue may only be used for the statutory purposes. Members do not have any share in profit nor, in their capacity as members, do they derive any other benefits from the association funds. In case of their withdrawal from or in the event of liquidation or termination of the association, they will receive no more than their share contributed to the association.

(3) No person may benefit from administrative tasks external of the association's purpose or from unreasonably high payments.

(4) The business of the association must be pursued in such a way to assure full and direct compliance with the tax-privileged objectives.

(5) Holding of investments by the association in companies and other public bodies is permitted in so far as this does not contravene the non-profit aspirations of the association.

(6) The association can accept contributions and donations and transfer them to projects provided that the contributors or donors expressly declare them as such. Separate records shall be kept of the receipt and transfer of such contributions and donations.

(7) Should the association terminate its activities or the non-profit status of the association be revoked, any surpluses which may exist at this time will be transferred to the Quaker-Service organisation (Quäker-Hilfe e.V), registered in Bad Pyrmont, which has use it only and wholly for non-profit and charitable objectives.

§ 3 Shares, membership, additional contributions and reserves

(1) The price of each share is **200.00 euro**

(2) Full members are required to purchase at least one share as mandatory shares on signing.

(3) There is an annual contribution of 120 Euro (maximum). The actual level of contribution, the conditions of payment and possible reductions are regulated in a Membership contribution regulation. An amendment of the level of contribution has to be decided by the General Assembly and needs a majority of 75 % of votes in the assembly.

(4) Acceptance as full member is decided by the management board.

(5) Members are not obligated to make additional contributions.

(6) A statutory reserve will be set up, in order to provide cover for any annual net loss. This statutory reserve will be established through a yearly allocation of a maximum of 10% of the annual surplus, plus any eventuell accumulated profit or minus any possible accumulated deficit.

§ 4 General meeting

(1) A general meeting is called at least once a year by the direct notification of all members. The call for a general meeting may also be notified by e-mail or fax. The invitation must be sent out at least 14 calendar days before the general meeting is held.

(2) Each duly announced general meeting is competent to take decisions. The general meeting can also take place virtually, if all members are able to thus participate and agree.

(3) Each full member has one vote.

(4) The general meeting elects the chairperson for the meeting and decides the topics to be discussed. Decisions are recorded according to § 47 GenG (association law) and sent to the members.

(5) The general meeting decides on the number of board members and can elect or deselect board members with a majority of 2/3. Amendments of the statutes also require a 2/3 majority.

(6) The general meeting may also decide on the establishment of a supervisory board.

§ 5 Management board

(1) The management board consists of at least one member. Where there is more than one management board member, decisions can be made by written communication, phone or electronically.

(2) The management board is responsible for managing the association according to recognised management practices and the objectives set forth in the charter of the association and represent the association towards the outside world.

(3) The management board shall allow all full members the full right of inspection of all business documents of the association at any anytime.

§ 6 Supervisory board

(1) The association may operate without a supervisory board if, and for as long as, the number of members in the association does not exceed 20.

Notwithstanding this waiver, the establishment of a supervisory board on the basis of a decision by the general meeting is permitted.

Where there is no supervisory board, its rights and obligations are assumed by the general meeting.

(2) A supervisory board shall consist of at least three members having been elected at the general meeting.

(3) The supervisory board has a quorum if at least half of its members vote on a decision. Decisions can also be made by written communication, phone or electronically.

§ 7 Termination of membership, exclusion, disputes

(1) The period of notice is two years from the end of the calendar year. Shares can be assigned to other members at anytime.

(2) Members whose conduct is deemed to be damaging to the association may be excluded at the discretion of the management board. This decision must be confirmed at a general meeting with a 2/3 majority.

(3) Any dispute arising from the relationship between a member and the association shall first be arbitrated through an out-of-court mediation procedure.

§ 8 Announcements

Announcements by the association are to be published on the association's web site. Where there is a statutory disclosure obligation, announcements will be published in "die tageszeitung" (TAZ/Berlin).

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