B2 Statutes

Proposer: General Assembly

Resolution date: 11/03/2005

Agenda item: 2. Internal Structural Documents

Text

¹ Article 1 : Name

- 2 An international non-profit organisation was set up bearing the name of
- 3 "Fédération des Jeunes Ecologistes Européens" in accord with the Belgian law of
- 4 October 25th 1919 and recognised by royal decree of March 20th 1996.
- 5 The name of this organisation shall be from now: "Federation of Young European
- 6 Greens ", abbreviated "FYEG IVZW ", and the organisation is now under the
- 7 rules of title III of the Belgian law of 27 June 1921 concerning the non profit
- 8 organisations, the international non profit organisations and the foundations.

9 Article 2 : Address of the administrative seat .

- 10 The seat of the organisation is at the address: European Parliament, ASP 08G138,
- 11 Rue Wiertz 1047
- 12 Brussels.
- 13 The seat can be moved to any other place in Belgium by decision of the Executive
- 14 Committee if published in the annexes of the Moniteur Belge.

15 Article 3 : Objective

- 16 The organisation has the following non-profit making goals of international
- 17 benefit.
- 18 A) To organise the education of the member organisations and their individual
- 19 members. De
- 20 education will be on the field of ecology, sustainability, democracy, social
- 21 justice an international solidarity.
- 22 B) For this the federation will assist her members with extending their network
- 23 and provid educational and practical assistance to their activities.

- 24 C) Provide a forum where young people with greens sympathies from all over
- 25 Europe can engage in a meaningful dialogue.
- 26 The activities that the federation organises to achieve above goals are the
- 27 following:
- 28 A) Exchange activities
- 29 B) Seminars and study sessions
- 30 C) Training programs
- 31 D) Awareness raising campaigns
- 32 Article 4: Members
- 33 The organisation is open to Belgians and foreigners.
- 34 She is composed of organisations with legal personality according to the laws
- 35 and customs of the country they are founded in.
- 36 There are three categories of members:
- Full members
- Candidate members
- Observer members
- 40 Article 5 : Joining. Leaving and exclusion
- 41 5.1 Conditions for joining
- 42 Joining the federation is subject to following conditions:
- 43 1. Full Members:
- To become a full member the organisation has to be at least one year a candidate
- 45 member.
- 46 To become a full member the organisation shall send an official application to
- 47 the secretariat of the federation together with her statutes, number of members,
- 48 age limit, list of activities, budget and all other possibly relevant
- 49 information.

- 50 The organisation shall than be visited by at least one member of the Executive
- 51 Committee. This member will advise the next GA about the application.
- 52 Full members have voting right on the GA.
- 53 2. Candidate members:
- 54 Candidate members should fulfil the following criteria:
- Be active on a regional or national level.
- Consist mainly of young people
- To subscribe the statutes and the political platform of FYEG AISBL.
- To send an official application to the secretariat of the federation together
- 59 with her statutes,
- 60 number of members, age limit, list of activities, budget and all other possibly
- 61 relevant information.
- 62 The Executive Committee will present the application to the next General
- 63 Assembly.
- 64 Candidate members can participate in the General Assembly, have speaking rights
- 65 but do not have voting rights.
- 66 3. Observers:
- 67 An organisation that doesn't want to become a full member or who doesn't full
- 68 fill all criteria can apply for observer ship. Here for they will send an
- 69 official application to the secretariat of the federation together with her
- 70 statutes, number of members, age limit, list of activities, budget and all other
- 71 possibly relevant information.
- 72 The Executive Committee will present the application to the next General
- 73 Assembly.
- 74 Observers can take part in the GA, have speaking right but no voting right.
- 75 **5.2 Leaving the federation**
- 76 Every member can at all times cancel its membership.
- 77 For this they shall send a signed letter to the Executive Committee with a
- 78 motivation for the cancellation of their membership.

- 79 The Executive Committee shall inform the next GA about this motivation. A member
- 80 that leaves the federation loses all claims to the assets of the organisation.

5.3 Suspension and expulsion

- 82 Suspension of membership can be proposed by the Executive Committee to the GA.
- 83 The Suspension will be decided upon by the GA with a two third majority.
- 84 Suspended members can ask the next General Assembly to revoke their suspension.
- 85 For this they shall send a month before the GA a signed letter with motivation
- 86 to the Executive committee.
- 87 Expulsion of a member can be proposed by the Executive Committee to the GA. The
- 88 Suspension will be decided upon by the GA with a two third majority.
- 89 Suspended or expelled members have no claim on the assets of the organisation.

90 Article 6 : Membership fee

- 91 The members pay a yearly contribution of maximum 10.000 euro as determined by
- 92 the General Assembly on proposal of the Executive Committee.

93 Article 7: The General Assembly

94 7.1. Powers of the General Assembly

- 95 The General Assembly has the broadest competence in order to achieve the goals
- 96 and activities of the organisation
- 97 To the exclusive competence of the GA belong the following:
- 98 a) changing the statutes
- 99 b) electing and expelling Executive Committee members or the commissioners
- 100 c) Approval of the budget and the annual accounts
- 101 d) The acquittal of the EC members and the commissioners
- 102 e) Voluntarily disbanding the organisation
- 103 f) Expulsion of a member

- 104 g) Other powers:
- the acceptance and changing of the internal rules of procedure
- the acceptance and changing of the political platform
- the acceptance and changing of the Charter

108 7.2. Composition

- 109 The General Assembly consists of all members.
- 110 Only the full members have voting rights.
- 111 All full members have two votes.
- 112 The candidate members and observers can attend the General Assembly but have no
- 113 voting right.

114 7.3. Meeting and official call.

- 115 The General Assembly meets and is chaired by a member of the Executive
- 116 Committee. The GA meets every year on the administrative seat or any other place
- 117 as described in the Official Call .
- 118 The call will be made by the Executive Committee and will be sent out by letter,
- 119 fax, email or any other communication tool. The call shall be issued at least
- 120 one month before the GA and will contain the points on the agenda.
- 121 An extraordinary meeting of the GA can be called by the Executive Committee or
- 122 one fifth of the full members in the following cases:
- One fifth of the full members thinks to have sufficient evidence that the EC
- 124 is acting either against the Goals of the federation or by her decisions and
- 125 actions is gravely endangering the
- 126 organisation.
- The Executive Committee judges that an unforeseen and extraordinary situation
- 128 has arisen which makes it necessary for the GA to meet.
- 129 And by the following procedure:
- 130 The members, who wish to call an extraordinary GA, inform by signed letter the
- 131 Executive Committee.

- 132 The EC has 8 days after receiving the letter to make the necessary preparations
- 133 and issue the call.
- 134 The call will be made by the Executive Committee and will be sent out by letter,
- 135 fax, email or any other communication tool. The call shall be issued at least
- 136 eight days before the GA and will contain the points on the agenda.

137 7.4. Decision making

- 138 The General Assembly can only take binding decisions if more than half of her
- 139 full members are present.
- 140 The GA can add points to the agenda of the meeting.
- 141 Except in the cases foreseen in these statutes, all decisions are taken by
- 142 simple majority of the present and represented members.
- 143 All decisions taken will be communicated to the members in the following way.
- 144 The minutes of the GA will be sent out to the members within 14 days to all
- 145 members by letter, fax, email or any other communication tool.
- 146 The decisions of the GA are noted down in a register, signed by the president
- 147 and kept by the secretary general who ensures the accessibility of the register
- 148 on the administrative seat of the organisation.

Article 8. Changing the statutes and disbanding the organisation.

- 151 All proposals for changing of the statutes or disbanding the organisation will
- 152 come from the executive committee or one twentieth of the full members of the
- 153 organisation.
- 154 The executive committee has to inform the members at least one month before
- 155 about the date of the GA on which the proposals will be discussed as well as
- 156 about the proposals itself.
- 157 The General Assembly can only change the statutes with two third majority.
- 158 In case the quorum of 2/3 of the full member is not reached as second meeting
- 159 will be called for which can be only thirty days later take binding decisions on
- 160 the proposal made to the first GA with a majority of 2/3rd of the votes never
- 161 mind how many full members present or represented.
- 162 The General Assembly decides the way the organisation will disband and fulfil
- 163 its obligation.

- 164 The assets after the disbanding will be donated to a legal person with a similar
- 165 goals as the disbanded organisation..

166 Article 9. Executive Committee

167 **9.1. Competence**

- 168 The Executive Committee is entrusted with all matters of management concern
- 169 except these that are belonging to the GA.
- 170 The Executive Committee entrusts the daily management of the federation to a
- 171 daily management consisting of the president, the treasurer and the secretary
- 172 general. The competence of the daily management are described in article 11.

9.2. Composition of the EC

- 174 The organisation is run by the Executive Committee, consisting of at least three
- members.
- 176 The members are elected by the GA for one year and their mandate can be renewed
- 177 three times.
- 178 Their function will be ceased by death, resignation, civil incapacity or legal
- 179 guardianship, dismissal or ending of the term of their mandate.
- 180 EC members can be dismissed by the GA who decides on this with a two third
- 181 majority. In case of a mandate not filled in, the EC can appoint a replacement
- 182 who continues the mandate.
- 183 The Executive Committee chooses from its members a president, a secretary and a
- 184 treasurer.

185 9.3. Meeting and call

- 186 The Executive Committee meets at least four times a year. The Call will be sent
- 187 out by letter, fax, email or any other communication tool .

188 9.4. Decision making

- 189 The Executive Committee can only meet validly if at least half of its members
- 190 plus one are present or represented.
- 191 An EC member can be represented by another EC member who can only be
- 192 representing one other member.
- 193 Decisions of the EC are taken by simple majority of the members present and

- 194 represented.
- 195 9.5. Register of the decisions
- 196 The decisions are noted down in a register, signed by the president and kept by
- 197 the secretary general who ensures the accessibility of the register to members
- 198 at the administrative seat.

199 Article 10. Legal representation of the

organisation

- 201 All documents binding the organisation need to be, except in cases of special
- 202 mandates, signed by a member of the executive committee or the secretary general
- 203 and who need to present to justification of their mandate to third parties.
- 204 The Executive Committee acts for the organisation as plaintiff or defender in
- 205 juridical cases and is represented in them by a member of the EC or the
- 206 secretary general.

²⁰⁷ Article 11. Daily management

208 11.1. Composition

- 209 The daily management consists of the president, a treasurer and the secretary
- 210 general.
- 211 The secretary general is an employee and is hired by the Executive Committee
- 212 according to the procedures written down in the IRP.

²¹³ **11.2. Powers**

- 214 All members of the daily management have full access to the financial accounts
- 215 of the organisation.
- 216 For things concerning these accounts, the signature of only one of the members
- 217 of the daily management is required.
- 218 The daily management can represent the organisation legally as stated in article
- 219 10.

220 Article 12. Budget and annual account

- 221 The fiscal year of the organisation starts January 1st and end December 31st.
- 222 In accordance with article 53 of the law the annual accounts of the previous

- 223 fiscal year as also the budget of the next fiscal year are every year made by
- 224 the Executive Committee and for approval presented to the GA at her next
- 225 meeting.

226 Article 13. General provisions

- 227 For everything that is not foreseen in the statutes above, and especially
- 228 concerning the publications in the annexes to the Moniteur Belge, will be acted
- 229 in accordance with the provisions of title III of the law of 27 June 1921
- 230 concerning the non-profit organisations, international non profit organisations
- 231 and the foundations.

Reason

Our Statutes entered into force in 2005 which form the basis how FYEG is organised as a registered youth NGO.