

I1 Statutes

Proposer: FYEG
Agenda item: 1. Statutory Documents

Motion text

1 Article 1 : Name

2 An international non-profit organisation was set up bearing the name of
3 "Fédération des Jeunes Écologistes 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 AISBL", 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: Rue du Taciturne 34, 1000
11 Bruxelles, Belgium.

12 The seat can be moved to any other place in Belgium by decision of the Executive
13 Committee if published in the annexes of the Moniteur Belge.

14 Article 3 : Objective

15 The organisation has the following non-profit making goals of international
16 benefit.

17 A) To organise the education of the member organisations and their individual
18 members. Thee education will be on the field of ecology, sustainability,
19 democracy, social justice and international solidarity.

20 B) For this the federation will assist its members with the extension of their
21 network and provide educational and practical assistance to their activities.

22 C) Provide a forum where young people with greens sympathies from all over
23 Europe can engage in a meaningful dialogue.

24 The activities that the federation organises to achieve above goals are the
25 following:

26 A) Activities exchange

27 B) Seminars and study sessions

28 C) Training programs

29 D) Awareness raising campaigns

30 Article 4 : Members

31 The organisation is open to Belgians and foreigners.

32 It is composed of organisations with legal personality according to the laws and
33 customs of the country they are founded in. There are three categories of member
34 organisations:

35 • Full members

36 • Candidate members

37 • Associate members

38 Article 5 : Joining. Leaving and exclusion

39 **5.1 Conditions for joining**

40 Joining the federation is subject to following conditions:

41 **1. Full Members:**

42 To become a full member the organisation has to be a candidate member for at
43 least one year. To become a full member the candidate organisation shall send an
44 official application to FYEG Secretariat. This application shall include its
45 statutes, the number of individual members, age limit, list of activities,
46 budget and all other possibly relevant information. The organisation will then

47 be visited by at least one member of the Executive Committee. The Executive
48 Committee will then advise the General Assembly about the application.

49 Full members can participate in the General Assembly, have speaking rights and
50 have voting rights at the GA.

51 **2. Candidate members:**

52 Candidate members shall be organisations who have the ambition to within a
53 certain time frame apply for full membership. Candidate members should fulfill
54 the following criteria:

- 55 • Be active on a regional or national level.
- 56 • Consist mainly of young people
- 57 • Subscribe the statutes and the political platform of FYEG AISBL.
- 58 • Send an official application to FYEG with its statutes, number of individual
59 members, age limit, list of activities, budget and all other possibly relevant
60 information.

61 The Executive Committee will present the application to the next General
62 Assembly.

63 Candidate members can participate in the General Assembly, have speaking rights
64 but do not have voting rights.

65 **3. Associate member:**

66 An organisation that doesn't want to become a full member or doesn't fulfill all
67 criteria can apply for associate membership. They shall send an official
68 application to the secretariat of the federation together with its statutes,
69 number of members, age limit, list of activities, budget and all relevant
70 information.

71 Associate members can participate in the General Assembly, have speaking rights
72 but do not have voting rights.

73 **5.2 Leaving the federation**

74 Every member organisation can at all times cancel its membership. For this they

75 shall send a signed letter to the Executive Committee with a motivation for the
76 cancellation of their membership.

77 The Executive Committee shall inform the next General Assembly about this
78 motivation. A member organisation that leaves the federation loses all claims to
79 the assets of the organisation.

80 **5.3 Suspension and exclusion**

81 Suspension of membership can be proposed by the Executive Committee to the
82 General Assembly. The suspension will be decided upon by the General Assembly
83 with a two third majority. Suspended member organisations can ask the revocation
84 of their suspension at the next General Assembly. For this, they shall send a
85 signed motivation letter to the Executive Committee one month before the General
86 Assembly.

87 Exclusion of a member organisation can be proposed by the Executive Committee to
88 the General Assembly. The suspension will be decided upon by the General
89 Assembly with a two third majority. Suspended or expelled member organisations
90 have no claim on the assets of the organisation.

91 **Article 6 : Membership fee**

92 The member organisations pay a yearly contribution of maximum 10.000 euro as
93 determined by the General Assembly on proposal of the Executive Committee.

94 **Article 7 : The General Assembly**

95 **7.1. Powers of the General Assembly**

96 The General Assembly has the broadest competence in order to achieve the goals
97 and activities of the organisation. The following competences are exclusive to
98 the General Assembly:

99 a) changing the statutes

100 b) electing and expelling Executive Committee members

101 c) Approval of the budget and annual accounts

102 d) Acquittal of Executive Committee members

103 e) Voluntary disbanding of the organisation

104 f) Expulsion of a member organisation

105 g) Other powers:

106 • the acceptance and changing of the internal rules of procedure (IRPs)

107 • the acceptance and changing of the political platform

108 **7.2. Composition**

109 The General Assembly consists of all member organisations.

110 Only full members have voting rights.

111 All full members have two votes.

112 Candidate member organisations and associate members can attend the General
113 Assembly but have no voting rights.

114 **7.3. Meeting and official call.**

115 The General Assembly is chaired by a presidency proposed by the Executive
116 Committee and elected by the General Assembly. The General Assembly meets every
117 year at the administrative seat or any other place as described in the official
118 Call. The call will be made by the Executive Committee and will be sent out by
119 email or any other communication tool. The call shall be issued at least one
120 month before the General Assembly and will contain the points on the agenda.

121 An extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly can be called by the Executive
122 Committee or one fifth of the full members in the following cases:

123 • One fifth of the full members thinks to have sufficient evidence that the
124 Executive Committee is acting either against the Goals of the federation or by
125 its decisions and actions is gravely endangering the organisation.

126 • The Executive Committee judges that an unforeseen and extraordinary situation
127 has arisen which makes it necessary for the General Assembly to meet. And by the
128 following procedure:

129 The member organisations who wish to call an extraordinary General Assembly

130 inform by signed letter the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee has 8
131 days after receiving the letter to make the necessary preparations and issue the
132 call. The call will be made by the Executive Committee and will be sent out by
133 email or any other communication tool. The call shall be issued at least eight
134 days before the General Assembly and will contain the points on the agenda.

135 **7.4. Decision making**

136 The General Assembly can only take binding decisions if more than half of its
137 full members are present.

138 The General Assembly can add points to the agenda of the meeting.

139 Except in the cases foreseen in these statutes and in the IRPs, all decisions
140 are taken by simple majority of the present and represented member
141 organisations.

142 All decisions taken will be communicated to the member organisations in the
143 following way. The minutes of the General Assembly will be sent out to the
144 member organisations within 14 days by email or any other communication tool.

145 The decisions of the General Assembly are noted down and published on the FYEG
146 website.

147 **Article 8. Changing the statutes and disbanding** 148 **the organisation.**

149 All proposals for changing of the statutes or disbanding the organisation will
150 come from the executive committee or 5% of the full members of the organisation.

151 The executive committee has to inform the member organisations at least one
152 month before the General Assembly which proposals will be discussed as well as
153 about the proposals themselves.

154 The General Assembly can only change the statutes with a two third majority.

155 The General Assembly decides the way the organisation will disband and fulfil
156 its obligation. The assets after the disbanding will be donated to a legal
157 person with a similar goals as the disbanded organisation, decided upon by the
158 GA.

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Article 9. Executive Committee

160 9.1. Competence

161 The Executive Committee is entrusted with all matters of management concern
162 except those that belong to the General Assembly.

163 The Executive Committee and the Secretary General are in charge of the daily
164 management of the organisation. The competences of the daily management are
165 described in article 11 and in the Internal Rules of Procedure.

166 9.2. Composition of the Executive Committee

167 The organisation is run by the Executive Committee, consisting of at least three
168 members. The members are elected by the General Assembly for one year and their
169 mandate can be renewed three times. Their function will be ceased by death,
170 resignation, civil incapacity or legal guardianship, dismissal or ending of the
171 term of their mandate.

172 Executive Committee members can be dismissed by the General Assembly who decides
173 on this with a two third majority. In case of a mandate not filled in, the
174 Executive Committee can choose to announce a by-election for a replacement who
175 continues the mandate.

176 Within the Executive Committee there are two Co-Spokespersons and a Treasurer.

177 9.3. Meeting and call

178 The Executive Committee meets at least four times a year. The call will be sent
179 out by email or any other communication tool.

180 9.4. Decision making

181 The Executive Committee can only meet validly if at least half of its members
182 plus one are present or represented.

183 Decisions of the Executive Committee are taken by simple majority of the members
184 present and represented.

185 9.5. Register of the decisions

186 The decisions are noted down in minutes kept by the secretary general who
187 ensures the accessibility of the minutes to member organisations.

188 **Article 10. Legal representation of the** 189 **organisation**

190 All documents binding the organisation need to be, except in cases of special
191 mandates, signed by a member of the executive committee or the secretary general
192 and who need to present a justification of their mandate to third parties.

193 The Executive Committee acts for the organisation as plaintiff or defender in
194 juridical cases and is represented in them by a member of the Executive
195 Committee or the secretary general.

196 **Article 11. Daily management**

197 **11.1. Composition**

198 The daily management consists of the Executive Committee and the secretary
199 general.

200 The secretary general is an employee and is hired by the Executive Committee
201 according to the procedures written down in the IRPs.

202 **11.2. Powers**

203 All members of the daily management have full access to the financial accounts
204 of the organisation.

205 For things concerning these accounts, the signature of only one of the members
206 of the daily management is required.

207 The daily management can represent the organisation legally as stated in article
208 10.

209 **Article 12. Budget and annual account**

210 The fiscal year of the organisation starts January 1st and ends December 31st.
211 In accordance with article 53 of the law, the annual accounts of the previous
212 fiscal year and the budget of the next fiscal year are every year made by the
213 Executive Committee and presented for approval presented to the General

214 Assembly.

215 **Article 13. General provisions**

216 For everything that is not foreseen in the statutes above, and especially
217 concerning the publications in the annexes to the Moniteur Belge, will be acted
218 in accordance with the provisions of title III of the law of 27 June 1921
219 concerning the non-profit organisations, international non profit organisations
220 and the foundations.