

Statutes

1. a) NAME and SEAT

- (1) The name of the organization is: Medicus Mundi International – Network Health for All (hereinafter referred as “the association”).
- (2) The association is seated at Tönisvorst, Federal Republic of Germany.

It shall be registered in the Register of Associations and then bear the extension "eingetragener Verein" (registered association).

b) AIM

The aim of the association is the promotion of Health for All in a sense of access to health and health care as a fundamental human right.

The association supports the actions undertaken in this respect by its members.

The aim will be notably realised by:

- a) enhancing communication and cooperation among members and fostering joint activities, thematic working groups and consortia,,
- b) fostering an evidence based approach in the members’ institutional cultures and programs and promoting collaboration between the association members and research institutions,
- c) providing a platform for joint advocacy at a global level, with a focus on the World Health Organization and in close cooperation with other networks and campaigns promoting Health for All,
- d) fostering the visibility of the association members and their activities by publishing

their news, reports, statements, events and other contributions,

- e) all other actions facilitating the achievement of the above aim,
- f) collecting financial resources necessary to realise the aim,
- g) establishing and maintaining a secretariat.

2. The association shall solely pursue objectives of public benefit and not own economical purposes.

3. The proceeds of the association are only permitted to be used on behalf of the aim formulated in these statutes (par. 1.b.).

Members do not receive allocations of funds of the association.

4. No allowance can be made for expenses that do not correspond to the aim of the association.

No person may be favoured through expenses alien to the purpose of the Association or through disproportionately high considerations.

Outgoing members are not entitled to receive any repayment of the contributions, or any share in the capital of the association.

5. In case of termination or dissolution of the association, the association's capital falls, by decision of the General Assembly, to another institution for use for purposes such as stated in par. 1 above.

6. MEMBERSHIP

- (1) Legal persons and nationally or internationally organized groups of individuals ready to adopt and able to promote the aim of the association may become members.
- (2) The Board decides on the admission of new members.
- (3) An annual contribution proposed by the Board and agreed by the General Assembly will be paid by the members within 30 days of the receipt of the invoice.
- (4) Membership ends:
 - a) by resignation: Resignation from the organization is made by a written statement to the address of the association. This resignation takes effect after financial obligations have been fulfilled.
 - b) by exclusion: Exclusion by the General Assembly follows par. 8 (6)

7. INSTITUTIONS

Institutions of the association are:

- (1) the General Assembly,
- (2) the Board,
- (3) the executive secretary and the secretariat,
- (4) working groups.

8. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- (1) The General Assembly, as the highest authority of the association:
 - a) 1. elects the chairperson,
2. elects the Board and decides on its discharge,
 - b) determines the policy and strategies of the association based on proposals by the Board,
 - c) decides on the audit of the annual financial report and the discharge of the treasurer and fixes the annual contribution,
 - d) decides on the exclusion of members,
 - e) decides on modification of the statutes,
 - f) examines and approves the report of activities of the past year.

- (2) The ordinary General Assembly is held every year. An extraordinary General Assembly can be held if required for the functioning of the association, or if required by at least three members. (in accordance with legal regulations)
- (3) The chairperson of the Board convenes the General Assembly at least 4 weeks before the meeting in writing by post or email. The provisional agenda should be sent at the same time. In case the chairperson is prevented one of the deputy chairpersons will replace him/her.
- (4) The Assembly reaches quorum if at least one-third of the members is present.

An Assembly which has not gathered the quorum and has been reconvened is considered to have gathered the quorum without regard to the number of members present.

The Executive Secretary makes a report on the Assembly.

- (5) The presidency of the General Assembly is assumed by the chairperson of the Board.
- (6) Decisions are taken by simple majority of votes. Majority of three-quarters of the members present is required for the modification of the statutes and for exclusions of members.
- (7) Members may be represented on the General Assembly by proxies. The Board has to be informed of the authorisation of the proxy.
- (8) The General Assembly arranges its own standing orders.



9. THE BOARD

- (1) The Board is chosen from candidates proposed by the members and/or by the Board for a term of 3 years. Retiring members are eligible for re-election. The chairperson may be re-elected once in succession.

The Board is composed of the chairperson, 2 vice chairpersons, the secretary, the treasurer and 2 ordinary members.

The Board remains in office until new elections.

- (2) Two Board members represent the MMI association in and outside legal proceedings according to par. 26 German Law.

The modalities of the further representation of the association by the Executive Secretary, individual members of the Board, association members or working group members are defined in the internal regulations.

- (3) All Board members have the same rights if not differently settled in these statutes.
- (4) The association members are allowed to attend the Board meeting as observers. External partners can be invited to attend Board meetings as guests.
- (5) The Board engages and discharges the executive secretary and gives him/her the necessary power of attorney.
- (6) The Board appoints working groups.
- (7) The Board determines policies and strategies of the association, draws up internal regulations and approves the work plans and reports by the Secretariat and the working groups.

The Board submits the policies and strategies to the General Assembly for approval.

- (8) The Board decides on the admission of new members.
- (9) The Board determines its own method of work.

10. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY AND SECRETARIAT

The executive secretary takes care of the affairs of the association according to the strategic directions and to periodic work plans.

The executive secretary determines the method of work of the secretariat, following the internal regulations. The executive secretary is accountable to the Board.

He/she has a consultative vote.

11. WORKING GROUPS

Working groups appointed by the Board take care of the tasks attributed according to their overall mandate and periodic work plans.

Working groups determine their own method of work, following the internal regulations. Working groups are accountable to the Board.

12. FINANCIAL YEAR

The financial year is the calendar year.

13. DISSOLUTION

The Dissolution of the Association must be agreed by the General Assembly. For the resolution a majority of three-quarters of its members is required.

In case of dissolution par. 5 has to be observed.

- 14.** To these statutes the Law of the Federal Republic of Germany is applicable.

The English text is authentic. The statutes were adopted by the MMI General Assembly on 8 October 2015 and registered in the Register of Associations Krefeld on 25 May 2016 (VR 3655).

