



Statute of the association Africa's People Africa's Power e.V.

§ 1 Name, Headquarter, Registration, Financial year

- (1) The Association is named „Africa's People – Africa's Power, after registration in addition e.V.
- (2) The Association is headquartered in Wilnsdorf
- (3) It shall be registered in the Official Register
- (4) After registration it is named as Africa's People - Africa's Power e.V.
- (5) The financial year of the association is the calendar year

§ 2 Purpose of the association

The purpose of the association is initiation, implementation and monitoring of development projects in Africa.

The purpose is achieved by the fact that the association supports the efforts of African communities and NGOs in planning and implementation of projects, which lead to an improvement of the living conditions in the relevant environment. The association also provides its experience and knowledge to other German (European) or African organizations in planning and implementation of development projects.

The implementation of development projects are carried out according to the participatory approach; this means that the population / groups to whom the projects are intended for, are included in the realization of the projects throughout its duration. This ensures that that a relationship between the population and the project is established. Thereby, the association is acting exclusively in the interests of sustainable development.

§ 3 Selflessness

The Association pursues exclusively and directly charitable purposes on object of section „tax preferential purposes“ of the tax code.

The association acts selflessly; it does not pursue primarily for its own economic purposes.

The Association's funds are only allowed to be used for purposes according to the statute. Members receive in their characteric as members no benefits from the association.

No Person is allowed to be favoured at expenditures which are not in accordance with the purpose of the association or get excessive compensations.

§ 4 Membership

- (1) A Member of the association can be any natural (and legal) Person, who support its aims.

(2) The application for admission to the association is decided by the Board.

(3) Membership is terminated by leaving, expulsion or death.

(4) Leaving of a member is only possible to the end of one calendar year (31.12.). It must be done by a written declaration to the Chairman under observance of a period of four weeks.

(5) If a member violates the aims and interests of the Association or remains with dues for 12 months despite reminders, he/she can be expelled immediately.

Before a decision is made, the member must be given the opportunity for justification or statement

The decision of expulsion can be appealed within four weeks after the decision is communicated.

This will be decided by the next general assembly.

§ 5 Dues

Members pay dues in accordance with the decision of the general assembly.

To determine the level of contributions and contribution maturity a simple majority of present voting members at the general meeting is necessary

§ 6 Bodies of the Association

a) Board

b) General Assembly

§ 7 The Board

(1) The Board consists of 4 members

It represents the association judicially and extra judicially. Two board members are authorized to represent in common.

(2) The Board will be elected by the general assembly for a period of two years.

Reelection of Board members is possible.

The Chairperson will be determined by the General Assembly in a separate ballot. Each official board member remains in office after expiry of their term until successors are elected.

(3) The Board is responsible for managing the day-to-day business of the association. In particular, it has the following tasks: The Board may appoint a General Manager for the business of the current administration. He/she is entitled to participate in the meetings of the Board in an advisory capacity.

(4) Board meetings take place at least 6 times a year. The invitations to board meetings are made by e-mail, subject to an invitation period of at least 14 days.

(5) The Board takes its decisions by a simple majority.

(6) Resolutions of the Board may also be made in writing or by telephone if all members of the Board declare their consent to this procedure.

Written resolutions or resolutions passed by the board must be made in writing and signed.

(7) The Board may receive appropriate remuneration for its activities.

§ 8 General Meeting

(1) The General Meeting shall convene at least once a year

(2) An Extraordinary General Meeting shall convene if it requires the interests of the Association or if the convocation of 25% of the members of the Association is demanded in writing and indicates the purpose and reasons.

(3) The convocation of the General Meeting shall be made in writing by letter or e-mail, subject to an invitation period of at least 3 weeks with the simultaneous announcement of the agenda. The period begins with the day following the dispatch of the invitation letter. The date of the postmark applies. The invitation letter shall be deemed to have been received by the Member if it is addressed to the last recorded address notified in writing by the Member of the Association.

(4) The General Assembly as the supreme decision-making association body is in principle responsible for all tasks, provided that certain tasks are not transferred to another association body pursuant to this statute. In particular the annual financial statement and the annual report on the approval and discharge of the Management Board shall be submitted to the meeting in writing. It appoints two auditors who are neither members of the Executive Board nor a body appointed by the Executive Board and may not be employees of the Association, to check the audit including the annual account and to report the General Meeting about the results.

The General Meeting also decides par example

- a) Exemption from dues
- b) Tasks of the association
- c) Purchase and Sale as well as debit of Real estate,
- d) Borrowing from EUR 5.000,00,
- e) Approval of all rules of procedure of the Association,
- f) Member dues,
- g) Amendments of the statute,
- h) Liquidation of the association.

(5) Every General Meeting, which is convened according to the statutes, constitutes as a quorum without consideration to the number of Association Members present. Every Member has one vote.

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(6) The Annual General Meeting passes resolutions by a simple majority. In the event of a parity of votes an application shall be rejected.

§ 9 Expenditure reimbursement

(1) Members – as they were commissioned by the Management Board – and Members of the Board shall be entitled to compensation for expenses incurred by them in connection with their activities for the Association. These include, in particular, travel expenses, catering expenses, postage and communication costs.

(2) Proof shall be provided by means of appropriate individual documents and shall be submitted no later than 6 weeks after the end of the respective quarter.

(3) Where there are tax-exempt rates and tax-exempt ceilings for expenses, a replacement shall only be made at this amount.

§ 10 Amendment of statute

(1) For amendments of the statute, a 2/3-majority of the Members of the Association is required. A majority of 3/4 of the appeared Members of the Association is required for an amendment of the purpose of the statute. Amendments of the statute can only be voted on in the General Meeting if this agenda item has already been indicated in the invitation to the General Meeting and the invitation had been accompanied by both the existing and the new text of the statute.

(2) Amendments of the statute of Association that are required by supervisory, judicial or financial authorities for formal reasons can be made by the Board on its own initiative. These amendments of the statute must be communicated in writing to all Members of the Association as soon as possible.

§ 11 Notification of decisions

The resolutions passed in the Board meetings and in the General Meetings must be made in writing and signed by the Executive Board

§ 12 Dissolution of the association and binding of asset

(1) The decision to dissolve the Association requires a 3/4 majority of the members present at the General Meeting. The resolution can be taken only after a timely announcement in the invitation to the General Meeting.

(2) In the case of the dissolution or abolition of the association or in the event of the loss of tax-privileged purposes, the assets of the association fall to a body governed by public law or another tax-privileged body for use in development aid projects in Africa.

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