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Gesellschaft zur Förderung der Zusammenarbeit mit albanischsprachigen Bildungsinstitutionen Shoqëri për Promovimin e Bashkëpunimit me Institucionet Arsimore në Vendet Shqipfolëse Society for the Promotion of Cooperation with Albanian-speaking Educational Institutions

Statutes

Art. 1

ARSIMI – EDUCATION. The Society for the Promotion of Cooperation with Albanian-speaking Educational Institutions is an association in the sense of Articles 60ff. of the Swiss Civil Code. The association is based in Zurich. The association pursues exclusively charitable objectives and is not profit-oriented.

Art. 2

The ARSIMI association supports, initiates, and coordinates cooperation with Albanian-speaking educational institutions through: a) the transfer and exchange of know-how in the education sector (organisation of workshops, symposiums, personnel exchange, etc.).

b) support in the material, institutional, and institutional-coordinative area. Additionally, the association may undertake further activities that are suitable for promoting cooperation with Albanian-speaking educational institutions.

Art. 2.2

The activities are non-profit and no economic interests are pursued.

Art 2.3

The association neither pursues purposes of self-help nor profit-making.

Art. 3

Membership

- a) Individuals and legal entities that wish to support the association's concerns can become members.
- b) Admission and exclusion of members are decided by the board.
- c) Resignation from the association can take place at any time by written notification to the presidency
- at the end of the calendar year. Resigning members have no claims to the association's assets.
- d) Members pay an annual fee, the amount of which is set by the general meeting.

Art. 4

The bodies of the association are:

- a) the general meeting
- b) the board
- c) the auditors

Art. 5

The following powers are vested in the general meeting:

- a) Election of the board and the auditors b) Approval of the activity report c) Approval of the annual accounts
- d) Determination of membership fees
- e) Amendment of the statutes
- f) Dissolution of the association Art.

Art 6

- a) The ordinary general meeting is held once a year. An extraordinary general meeting can be convened by the board or must be convened within two months upon written request by one-fifth of all members of the association.
- b) Motions for the general meeting must be submitted in writing to the presidency at least 14 days before the meeting.
- c) Elections and votes are carried out by the absolute majority of the present and represented members.
- d) Representation is only possible by another member of the association with written authorisation.

Art. 7

Board

- a) The board consists of five to nine members and is composed of the president, the vice-president (or a co-presidency), the secretary, the treasurer, and one to five assessors.
- b) It is elected by the general meeting for three years and is re-eligible.
- c) The board constitutes itself. It determines the persons authorised to sign for the association and the executive secretary. It may delegate parts of its competencies to individual association members, subcommittees, or the secretary.
- d) The board represents the association externally and determines the signing authority. In the case of a dual presidency, both have joint signing authority.
- e) The board decides by a majority of the members present. The chairperson has the casting vote.
- f) Circular resolutions are permissible, provided no board member requests a meeting.
- g) Board members work on a voluntary basis and are fundamentally only entitled to reimbursement of their actual expenses and cash disbursements. Appropriate compensation can be provided for special services of individual board members.

Art. 8

The board is responsible for all business. Its exclusive competence includes: a) Acceptance of donations and legacies b) Use of funds for educational projects.

Art. 9

Auditors The general meeting elects two auditors annually, who must not be members of the board and are re-eligible.

Art. 10

The association's assets alone are liable for the obligations of the association. The association's resources are membership fees, donations, and other gratuitous contributions.

Art. 11

Dissolution of the association requires the consent of two-thirds of the members present at the general meeting. The remaining funds after the dissolution of the association are to be transferred to a tax-exempt institution based in Switzerland with a similar or identical purpose. Distribution among the members is excluded. The statutes were enacted at the founding meeting of the association on 6 March 1999 in Zurich and were adjusted on 13 July 2020 following a written vote of the association members in accordance with the requirements of the Cantonal Tax Office Zurich.

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