

CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION "DEMOS" BRCKO DISTRICT

STATUTE

I GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1.

(1) Citizens' Association "Demos" Brcko District is a voluntary association of citizens, founded as a non-partisan, non-governmental and non-profit youth organization in which citizens join in order to achieve the goals established by this Statute.

(2) The association has a European, democratic orientation defined by the principles of humanistic ethics.

Article 2.

This Statute establishes common goals, mutual rights, obligations and responsibilities of members and bodies, as well as other issues of importance for the work of the Association.

Article 3.

(1) The name of the association is: Citizens' Association "Demos" Brcko District.

(2) The abbreviated name of the Association is "Demos" Brcko.

(3) The seat of the Association is: Brcko, Bijeljinska 58.

(4) In legal transactions, the association uses a circular seal on which there is the Cyrillic inscription CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION "DEMOS" BRCKO DISTRICT.

Article 4.

(1) Citizens' Association "Demos" Brcko District has the status of a legal entity.

(2) The association obtains funds from membership fees, voluntary contributions, donations and gifts, financial subsidies and in other ways permitted by law.

(3) The association may perform related economic activities if the main purpose of such activity is the achievement of the goals established by this Statute.

(4) The association may also perform unrelated economic activities that are directly related to the achievement of the basic goals established by this Statute.

(5) The Association may perform economic activities if it establishes a legal entity in accordance with the Law on Enterprises of the Brcko District of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

(6) The profit that the Association achieves by performing economic activities may be used to achieve the goals established by this Statute and for other purposes and it may not be used for other purposes.

(7) The following are not allowed to acquire profit or any other material benefit realized from the activities of the Association:

- a) founders;
- b) association members;
- c) members of management and leadership bodies;
- d) persons authorized for representation;
- e) employees;
- f) donors or
- g) close relatives of the listed persons.

(8) The restrictions from paragraph 7 of this article do not apply to salaries, wages or compensations for expenses to persons from paragraph 7 of this article, which were incurred for the purpose of achievement of the goals established by this Statute.

(9) Supervision over the proper and legal use of funds is carried out by the Assembly of the Association.

(10) The work of the Association is public and the public will be informed about the activities of the Association on the official website and social networks of the Association.

II GOALS AND TASKS

Article 5.

(1) The most important goals of the Association are:

- a. improvement of human rights, rule of law, freedom of speech and development of society based on humanistic ethics;
- b. organizing, conducting and supporting research in order to create favorable conditions for the development of cognitive, motor and creative potential of citizens;
- c. improvement of participatory democracy, decentralization and development of civil activism at the local, entity and state level;
- d. fight against corruption in the public sector and active participation in public administration reform;
- e. organizing expert lectures, seminars, courses, forums and other forms of education;
- f. improvement of all aspects of the educational process with an emphasis on primary and secondary education (legal regulations, methodology, introduction of modern tools for work, adaptation of the curriculum to the needs of students in modern society, etc.);
- g. designing, implementing and participating in projects in the field of ecology and environmental protection;
- h. organizing cultural and artistic events and creating original materials in the field of culture and art;

i. organizing sports events.

(2) In an effort to achieve the stated goals, the Association carries out the following tasks:

- a. helping citizens to obtain information that enables them to critically think and exercise their rights in accordance with legal acts;
- b. encouraging participation of citizens in the life of the community through civic activism, creating conditions for the development of critical thinking and creative ideas, independence when making decisions and learning about human rights as a civilizational achievement;
- c. periodic survey of public opinion with the aim of insight into the degree of development of democratic processes and citizens' participation in them;
- d. cooperation with schools and institutions in order to improve the educational process;
- e. initiation of public policies that would improve the field of recreational sports and arrangement of sports fields for the needs of recreational sports, as well as organization of sports events;
- f. initiation of public policies that would improve the influence of artistic expression and culture on public opinion;
- g. maintaining national and international contacts with institutions, in a direct or indirect way in connection with the objectives of the Association;
- h. works to establish regional cooperation, tolerance and mutual respect for differences among people and cultures, familiarization and dissemination of positive aspects of European culture;
- i. designing, implementing and participating in projects in the field of ecology;
- j. spreading citizens' awareness of the need to participate in decision-making in order to protect their legitimate interests and public goods;
- k. carries out other activities in order to achieve the goals of the Association defined by this Statute.

(3) As part of its goals, the Association will perform the following activities:

94.99 activities of other organizations based on membership

III MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION

Article 6.

An application for membership of the Association can be submitted in writing by any natural or legal person of legal age who accepts the Statute and goals of the organization.

Article 7.

(1) The decision on admission to membership is made by the Management Board.

(2) One becomes a member of the Association on the basis of a signed application form, the form and appearance of which is determined by the President of the Association. The President of the Association keeps a list of members, which is available to competent authorities upon their request, and contains the following:

- a) name and surname of a natural person, or the name of a legal entity and residence, that is, headquarters;
- b) date of admission and number of admission form;
- c) type of voting right at the Assembly of the Association;
- d) date of termination of membership.

(3) A member may withdraw from membership by giving a written statement of withdrawal.

(4) Membership in the Association may end due to prolonged inactivity of the member.

(5) A decision on termination is made by the Assembly, on the proposal of the Management Board.

Article 8.

The rights of the members of the Association are to:

- participate in the work and activities of the Association;
- elect and be elected in the Association bodies;
- be informed about the work and activities of the Association and
- launch initiatives for the work of the Association and its bodies, give proposals, opinions and remarks on the work of the Association's bodies and be informed about the adopted position of the bodies.

Article 9.

A member of the Association has the following duties:

- to comply with the Statute of the Association;
- to advocate and actively work towards the realization of the Association's program goals;
- to protect and strengthen the reputation of the Association;
- to implement the decisions of the Association;
- to initiate and participate in the activities of the Association and win over new members of the Association;
- to regularly pay the membership fee, if it is established.

IV. BODIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 10.

The bodies of the Association are the Assembly, Management Board and President of the Association.

Article 11.

- (1) The Assembly of the Association consists of all its members.
- (2) The Assembly has the following duties and responsibilities:
 - a) adopts the work plan and program;
 - b) adopts the Statute and amendments to the Statute;
 - c) considers and adopts, at least once a year, the report of the Management Board;
 - d) considers and adopts the financial plan and report on the work of the Association submitted by the Management Board;
 - e) elects and dismisses the President of the Association;
 - f) elects and dismisses members of the Management Board;
 - g) considers other issues related to the activities of the Association;
 - h) passes general acts of the Association.
- (3) The Assembly decides by a majority vote of the members present.

Article 12.

- (1) The Assembly of the Association has a President of the Assembly, elected by the Assembly members' public vote.
- (2) The candidate who receives the majority of the votes of the Assembly members present shall be considered to have been elected to the position of President of the Assembly of the Association.

Article 13.

- (1) The Assembly session is convened and chaired by the President of the Assembly.
- (2) The session of the Assembly can be held if it is attended by the majority of members of the Assembly, and decisions are made by a majority of the present members in the Assembly.
- (3) The Assembly meets regularly once a year.
- (4) An extraordinary session of the Assembly may be scheduled upon a reasoned proposal of the Management Board, as well as at the written initiative of at least two thirds of the membership.
- (5) The Rulebook on the work of the Assembly of the Association regulates the procedure and method in which the Assembly is convened and the manner of work and decision-making of the Association's Assembly.

Article 14.

- (1) The Management Board is the executive body of the Association that takes care of the implementation of the objectives determined by this Statute, as well as the implementation of the decisions of the Assembly.
- (2) The Management Board has five members who are elected and recalled by the Assembly.
- (3) The Assembly elects the President and Vice President of the Management Board.
- (4) The President of the Management Board leads the sessions of the Management Board. In case of the President's absence, the Vice President has all the rights and obligations of the President of the Management Board.
- (5) Vice President of the Management Board keeps the minutes of all sessions and meetings of the Association.
- (6) Mandate of the members of the Management Board lasts 4 (four) years with the possibility of re-election.
- (7) The membership, i.e. the capacity of the President or Vice President of the Management Board of the Association ends:
 - upon expiry of the mandate;
 - upon resignation;
 - in case of death;
 - dismissal decided upon by the Assembly by a majority of the members present, upon proposal of any member of the Assembly or member of the Management Board of the Association.

Article 15.

The Management Board has the following duties and responsibilities:

- takes care of the execution and implementation of decisions and conclusions of the Assembly, and the statutory objectives of the Association;
- convenes and prepares the Assembly session;
- considers and adopts the financial report, work report and work plan of the Association;
- approves submission of projects and monitors their implementation;
- appoints coordinators and collaborators on projects; -
- monitors, plans and is responsible for spending of the financial resources of the Association;
- adopts the financial plan and statement of accounts of the Association,
- supervises the manner of use and disposal of the Association's funds;
- performs other duties specified by this Statute and other general acts of the Association.

Article 16.

- (1) Meetings of the Management Board are convened by the president of the Management Board as necessary.
- (2) The meetings of the Management Board are presided over by the President of the Board or, in case of his absence, by the Deputy President of the Board.
- (3) The Management Board makes authoritative decisions when at least three (3) members of the Board attend the session.
- (4) The Management Board makes decisions by the majority of votes of the members present.
- (5) If the votes "for" and "against" are equally divided, the Chairman's vote decides.
- (6) The President of the Management Board has the authority to represent the Association in legal matters within the registered activities of the Association.

Article 17.

- (1) The President of the Association has the authority to represent the Association in legal matters within the registered activities of the Association.
- (2) The President of the Association is elected by majority votes of the Association Assembly.
- (3) The mandate of the President of the Association is 4 (four) years with the possibility of re-election.
- (4) The mandate of the President of the Association ends:

- at the end of the mandate;
- upon resignation;
- in case of death;
- upon dismissal decided by the Assembly by a majority of the members present, upon the proposal of any member of the Assembly or the reasoned proposal of the Management Board of the Association.

Article 18.

(1) The President of the Association, in the exercise of his function and in agreement with the Management Board, has the following rights and duties:

- implements program directives and work plans of the Management Board;
- coordinates the work of the Association's bodies and achieves cooperation with other bodies and institutions;
- takes care of the realization of the principle of publicity of the Association's work and realization of all other rights of members and users of the Association
- organizes, prepares and participates in the preparation of materials for the sessions of the Management Board and the Assembly of the Association;
- takes care of and is responsible for the legal aspect of the work of the Association and the application of the Statute and other normative acts of the Association;
- prepares, together with the Management Board, the annual work program and budget;
- plans, organizes and monitors the work of the Association in order to achieve the work program;
- prepares reports on activities and realized goals;
- organizes research on users' needs;
- prepares new programs, projects and budgets;
- organizes fundraising campaigns;
- organizes the work and directly executes the decisions of the Assembly and Management Board;
- directs the work of staff employed on projects;
- hires and fires staff employed on projects;
- is the ordering party for financial transactions and the signatory of the financial documentation;
- periodically submits reports to the Management Board of the Association on past, current and future activities, in accordance with the directives of the Management Board;
- performs other duties and tasks determined by this Statute and other normative acts.

(2) The President of the Association reports about his work to the Management Board and the Assembly of the Association.

Article 19.

The President of the Association and the President of the Management Board, in case of their absence, in legal matters within the registered activity of the Association, shall be replaced by a member of the Management Board elected by the Management Board, with a certified power of attorney.

V MATERIAL AND FINANCIAL BUSINESS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 20.

(1) The Association obtains funds from membership fees, donations, applying for projects with state bodies or foundations and from other sources, in accordance with the Law.

(2) The Association will publicly publish the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement of the organization on the official website of the organization for each fiscal year.

(3) The Association is obliged to keep business books in accordance with international accounting standards, compile and submit financial reports to the Finance Directorate in accordance with the Law on Accounting and Auditing of the Brcko District.

(4) The Management Board submits the financial report and the work report to the Assembly of the Association for approval, which the Assembly then adopts by the majority of members present.

VI STATUS CHANGES, TERMINATION OF THE ASSOCIATION'S OPERATIONS AND HANDLING OF THE ASSOCIATION'S ASSETS IN THE CASE OF THE TERMINATION OF THE ASSOCIATION'S OPERATIONS

Article 21.

(1) The Association ceases to operate by the decision of the Assembly, i.e. by passing a decision on merger, separation or transformation of the Association, as well as in other cases provided for by law.

(2) The decision on the termination of the Association's work is made by the Assembly by the majority of votes of all members of the Assembly, when the conditions for the achievement of the Association's goals cease.

(3) The decision on merger, separation or transformation of the Association is made by the Assembly upon a reasoned proposal of the President of the Association, by a majority vote of the members of the Assembly present.

(4) In case of cessation of work, the property of the Association will be transferred to the Red Cross of the Brcko District of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

(5) The property of the Association cannot be distributed to:

- a) founders;
- b) association members;
- c) members of management and leadership bodies;
- d) persons authorized for representation;
- e) employees;
- f) donors;
- g) close relatives of the listed persons.

VII TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 22.

(1) If one of the members of the Association violates the Law, in their own name or hiding behind the name of the Association, they shall bear criminal responsibility, while the Association does not assume any form of responsibility arising from such an act.

(2) The Association assumes all responsibility for its members only in cases in which they worked according to orders of the Assembly or the President of the Association, for which it is necessary to have a written document approved by the majority of the Management.

Article 23.

Amendments to the Statute shall be made upon the reasoned proposal of the Management Board or at least 1/3 of the members of the Assembly of the Association, and the decision on the amendment must be made by a majority vote of all members of the Association Assembly.

Article 24.

This Statute enters into force on the day of its adoption, and shall be applied from the day of entry into the register with the competent authority.

Article 25.

With the entry into force of this Statute, the Statute of the Association with the protocol number 02/2016 from 24th November 2016 shall cease to be valid.

Number: 01/23

Brcko
01st December 2023

President of the Assembly
signature in handwriting

Perica Nikolic

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