

In accordance with the provisions of articles 12 and 33 of the Law of Associations ('Official Gazette of RS', No. 51/09) the Assembly of Association held on 23. January 2015 amended and adopted the

STATUTE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF CITIZENS 'PLANT'

Scope of fulfilling aims

Article 1

The Association of Citizens 'Plant' (hereinafter referred to as: Association) is a non-governmental and non-profit civil association founded on an indefinite time basis to fulfill aims in the field of: environmental protection, improvement of democratic processes, human rights protection and the development and improvement of the civil society.

Aims of association

Article 2

Objectives of Association are:

- improvement of environmental protection, public advocacy for the change of habits related to the use and preservation of natural resources and handling dangerous materials, education of citizens, especially children and the youth on the significance of maintaining and the improvement of energy efficiency,
- development and improvement of democratic processes, human rights protection, sensitizing society for the inclusion of marginalized groups and gender equality advocacy,
- improvement of the status of youth and their inclusion in the process of decision-making, formal and nonformal education and the development and improvement of the civil society,
- improvement of the local economic development through raising public awareness and connecting public, private and civil sectors.

Article 3

To fulfill its aims Association particularly:

- 1) collects and processes scientific and professional literature in the field of environmental protection and sustainable development;
- 2) conducts evaluation, needs assessment, research and analysis in the field of operation of the Association
- 3) organizes, solely or in partnership with other organizations / institutions, professional meetings, conferences, round tables, forums, conferences and other events
- 4) provides all forms of formal and non-formal education in the field of operation of the Association
- 5) publishes books and other publications in the field of operation of the Association
- 6) organizes domestic and foreign experts to work on training within the realization of the objectives of the Association
- 7) organizes volunteering actions;
- 8) collaborates with public, private and civil sector institutions (universities, schools, vocational associations, agencies, OCD, and other organizations in the country and abroad);
- 9) draws up and implements projects in the field of Association's scope of activity to resolve problems and support democratic society;
- 10) involves all stakeholders in the process of decision making during the whole project cycle,

in the field of: environmental protection, sustainable development, society democratization, improvement of the youth status, public policy, inclusion of marginalized groups, gender equality, formal and non-formal education, local economic growth, poverty alleviation, entrepreneurship, social entrepreneurship, agriculture, health service, culture and civil society development.

Name and Central Office

Article 4

The name of Association is: Association of Citizens "Plant".

Shortened name is: Plant.

Central Office is in Nis, at 52-74 Dušanova street, BC "Dušanov bazar", Piramida, 2nd floor, office no. 212.

Association is active on the territory of the Republic of Serbia.

Conditions and forms of membership and its termination

Article 5

A member of Association can be anybody who shares the purposes of Association and accepts the Statute and who files an application for the membership to the Management Board of Association;

An under-aged person of 14 years of age may become a member of Association by providing a signed statement of his/her attorney about giving agreement.

For a person younger than 14 years of age from paragraph 1 of this article an application is filed by his/her attorney.

Article 6

The Assembly makes decisions about accepting new members and informs them without any delay.

A member may withdraw from the membership by signing the statement of withdrawal. For the withdrawal of an under-aged person a written statement of his/her attorney is needed.

A membership in Association could be terminated due to a prolonged inactivity of a member, due to disrespecting the provisions of this Statute and due to the violation of Association's reputation.

The Assembly reaches the decision about a membership termination after a justified proposal of the Management Board.

A member must be allowed to declare about the reasons why a proposal for bringing a decision about the termination of the membership in Association has been filed.

Rights obligations and responsibility of membership

Article 7

A member of Association has the right:

- 1) to participate in fulfilling aims of Association equally with other members;
- 2) to directly participate in the Assembly of Association, and in other organs of Association;
- 3) to elect and be elected into the organs of Association;
- 4) to be informed on time and completely about the work and activities of Association.

A Member of Association has the following obligations:

- 1) to actively contribute to the accomplishment of the purposes of Association;
- 2) to participate, according to his/her interests, in activities of Association;
- 3) to regularly pay membership fees;
- 4) to do other jobs assigned by the Board.

Internal Organization

Article 8

The organs of Association are the Assembly, Management Board and Supervisory Board. The function of legal practitioner is performed by the Management Board President, and in his absence the Deputy President of the Management Board.

Article 9

The Assembly of Association includes all the members of Association. The Assembly has regular meetings once a year. An extraordinary meeting shall be convened in case of a decision of the Management Board upon the initiative of the third of all the members at least. The initiative is filed to the Management Board in a written form and has to contain questions whose consideration is proposed.

The Assembly meeting is convened by the President of the Management Board by a written notice informing about the place and time of the meeting and the proposed agenda. The meeting is presided by a person elected by means of public voting at the beginning.

The Assembly:

- 1) brings the plan and program of work;
- 2) adopts the Statute and its changes and additions;
- 3) adopts other general documents of association;
- 4) elects and refuses a membership in the Managing Board;
- 5) takes into consideration and accepts the report of the Management Board, at least once a year;
- 6) takes into consideration and accepts the financial plan and report;
- 7) makes decisions about the changes in the status and the termination of work of Association;
- 8) elects an Association attorney;
- 9) makes decisions about associating into alliances and other associations in the country and abroad.

The decisions of the Assembly shall be valid if more than the half of the members are present.

The decisions of the Assembly shall be supported by the majority vote of the members present.

The decisions about the amendments of the Statute shall be supported by the two thirds of the majority vote of the members present.

Article 10

The Management Board is an executive body of Association that provides the accomplishment of the purposes of Association, designated by this Statute.

The Assembly elects and recalls five members of the Management Board.

The mandate of the Management Board members lasts four years, and the members can be elected again for the same position.

The President of the Management Board, as well as his/her Deputy, is elected out of the members of the Board.

Article 11

The President of the Management Board presents and represents Association in legal matters and has the right and responsibility of financial directives.

The Deputy of the President is responsible to present, represent and sign all financial and other documents of Association in the absence of the President of the Management Board.

Article 12

The Management Board:

- 1) manages the work of Association between two conferences of the Assembly and makes decisions to achieve the purposes of Association;
- 2) organizes regular activities of Association;
- 3) commits special jobs to some members;
- 4) makes financial decisions;
- 5) makes decisions about the Statute changes, according to the initiative or suggestion of five members of Association at least, prepares proposals of changes and supplements, and submits them to the Assembly General for adoption;
- 6) makes decisions about the reimbursement for losses regarding cases from Article 25 paragraph 2 from the Law of Associations, and when a need arises appoints an attorney to do this for Association;
- 7) makes decisions about other issues for which other organs of Association are not authorized, by Law or by this Statute .

The Management Board can make decisions if the half of the members is present and if the majority of the present members vote.

Article 13

The Supervisory Board controls the financial state of Association. They inform the Management Board about the existing irregularities without any delay.

The Assembly elects three members of the Supervisory Board. The mandate of the Supervisory Board member lasts four years and the members can be elected again for the same position.

The Supervisory Board submits reports at every Assembly meeting.

Achieving transparency

Article 14

The work of Association is transparent.

The Management Board ensure the transparency of work and activities of Association, gives full information to members, directly or by means of internal publications, or by announcements to the public, or in any other appropriate form.

Annual clearances and reports about Association activities are submitted at the Management Board meeting to all members.

Article 15

The Association makes contacts and collaborates other associations and organizations in the country and abroad for achieving the objectives of Association.

The Association can access international associations and the Assembly decides on this.

Means of raising funds and disposal of funds

Article 16

The Association is financed by membership fees, voluntary contributions, donations and gifts, financial grants and by other means in accordance with Law.

Association may raise funds by charging seminar fees and other forms of education as well as by means of selling secondary materials collected during the implementation of actions for environmental protection or products made during educative workshops.

Dissolution of the Work of Association

Article 17

The Association is dissolved at the decision of the Assembly when there are no longer conditions for fulfilling the purposes of Association, and under circumstances foreseen by Law.

Managing property of Association in case of its Dissolution

Article 18

In case of dissolution, the property of Association is transferred to a domestic non-profit legal party founded for fulfilling the same or similar aims, i.e. the Assembly shall determine by bringing a decision for dissolution to whom the property shall be transferred in accordance with Law.

Seal design and its content

Article 19

Association has a seal. The seal is round, of a standard size with the following text on its edge in Serbian and English respectively: 'Удружење грађана Плант', Ниш, and 'Civil Society Plant' Nis and the name in the center: 'Плант' and 'Plant'. Around the name in the center are stylized contours of a flower with five petals.

Article 20

For all issues that are not regulated by this Statute, the provisions of the Law of Associations shall be directly applied.

Article 21

The Statute becomes valid on the day of its adoption by the Assembly of Association.

Presiding over Assembly
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