

**AMENDED
STATUTE OF
THE
EUROPEAN
ATHLETE
STUDENT
(EAS)
(The dual career network.)**



Date

20/06/2016

Name and Registered Office:

a) The name of the Association shall be “European Athlete Student” the dual career network , who’s abbreviation is “EAS” hereinafter referred to as “the Association.”

b) The Registered address of “the Association” shall be:

Apartment Number 4,
Villanueva Building, 99
Hannieqa Street,
Ghaxaq GXQ 10235
Malta.

Language:

The official language used by “the Association” shall be English. All meetings, all publications and all information, published or transmitted in any manner, shall be in English.

Motto:

The Motto of “the Association” shall be: *EAS a European wide network of institutions that are delivering dual carrier opportunities to talented athletes in elite sport and education.*

Aims and Objects:

The aims and objects for which “the Association” is formed are:

- a) To support and organize a continuous exchange between institutions and experts across Europe working in the field of dual career.
- b) To create skill enhancement opportunities for people who are working in the field of dual career.
- c) To build up a digital knowledge database of academic research work and best practices from all over Europe in the field of dual career.
- d) To create a political environment that addresses the needs of talented athletes pursuing a dual career by cooperating with partners in sport and educational systems.



Voluntary Organistaion:

- a) "The Association" shall be a non-profit making organisation as defined in the Voluntary Organisations Act. (Chapter 492 of the Laws of Malta).
- b) The organisation may:
- (i) obtain a pecuniary gain from its activities when such gain is not received or credited to any private interest but is exclusively utilised for the purposes of the organisation; and
 - (ii) buy or sell or otherwise deal in goods or services where such activities are exclusively related to its principal purposes.
- c) The organisation may refund reasonable expenses to administrators and other persons supporting the aims of the organisation.

Administrators:

The Administrators shall be members of "the Association" and shall consist of no more than four (4) Committee members to include the following:

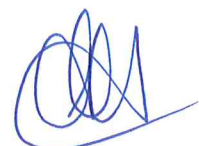
- i) The President - Professor Laura Capranica – ID number AS 0357402*
- ii) Honorary President - Mr Tibor Kozsla – Passport Number BE 26580752*
- iii) Treasurer - Mojca Doupona Topic – Passport number PB0667089*
- iv) Members – Veronique Leseur – ID number 130894101663, Ilvis Albelkans – Passport Number LV4141271, Jorg Foerster – Passport number LIP36749P, Antonio Figueiredo – Passport number L763044, Risto Keskitalo – Passport number PB2436595, Ole Keldorf – Passport number - 201185472*

Duties of the President:

The President shall be vested with the overall responsibility of conducting "the Association's" work, including but not limited to:

- a) The president shall preside at all meetings of the general Assembly except that if the president is unable to do so then the meeting shall appoint a full member, who is not a member of the Board, to preside .
- b) The President shall have the power to rule on any matter set out in the Bye-Laws, or on other points or procedure. This ruling may not be questioned, except as provided for in the Bye-Laws.
- c) The President may not propose or second a resolution or stand for election to the Board. If he wishes to do so, he must vacate the chair for the duration of the relevant debate. Bye-Law 7.5.1 (i) shall then apply
- d) If any person deputises for the president in accordance with Bye- Law 6.5.1 (i), they shall assume in full all the rights and responsibilities of the President ,

Duties of the Honorary -President:



The Honorary President shall assist the President in the Presidential duties. The President shall from time to time delegate certain responsibilities to the Honorary - President. The Honorary - President shall have the overall responsibility of conducting "the Association's" work in absence of the President.

Membership and Dues

Members shall be expected to uphold the principles and ethos of the European Athlete Student, the dual career network as contained in its Statutes and agree to abide by the EAS Statutes, Bye-Laws, Policies and Procedures.

Members are institutions who have been accepted into membership by the Board. Individual members may be:

1. Honorary Individual Members: appointed from time to time by the General Assembly on the recommendation of the Board. Honorary members are appointed in recognition of their exceptional merit or service to EAS. Honorary members shall have the same rights as Full Members, and may attend Executive Board meetings, unless otherwise stated in these Bye-Laws.
2. Institutional members are such organizations as the Board of EAS may from time to time recognize. They may include International, National or Regional Athlete Student Associations, Federations or Organisations; Universities; Sport Organisations; Federations or Councils; Olympic Committees; Local Government sports departments; and suitable other properly constituted bodies.

Application for Membership

All applications for membership shall be subject to approval by the Board. The Board shall cause a response to be given within 60 days of receipt of an application to indicate whether the application has been accepted.

An institution does not become a member until the application has been accepted and the membership fee for the current year has been paid in full.

The Board shall maintain a register of names and addresses of all the members at all times.

Membership Fees

- a) All members, except honorary members shall pay an annual membership fee.
- b) Membership fees shall be determined from time to time by the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Board. If a recommendation is not approved, or no recommendation is presented, then the existing fees shall continue to apply.
- c) The membership year shall be from the end of the Annual General Meeting of the General Assembly to the end of the next Annual General Meeting.



d) The Board is authorized to grant full or partial exemption from the obligation to pay the fee in exceptional circumstances.

Resignation and Exclusion of Members

Membership shall be deemed to have lapsed if the requisite fee has not been paid by the date of the next Annual General Meeting of the General Assembly.

Members may resign by giving at least 30 days notice in writing to the Board, but shall not be entitled to any refund of membership fees for the current membership period.

EAS may cancel membership in the following ways:

If the membership fee has not been paid within specified in BYE-Law 5.3.1.

If the Board is of the view that for the member to continue in membership of EAS would not be in the best interest of EAS, in which case the Board shall give notice that the membership will be terminated with effect from a stipulated date, which shall be at least 15 days from the date which notice is received by the member.

Any member whose cause for exclusion from membership is to be heard by the Board, shall be entitled to be represented at the appropriate meeting of the Board, to hear the evidence given to justify the exclusion, and to present reason why such exclusion should not be enacted. The right of defense has to be respected. The final decision about exclusion is proposed by the Board and is subject to approval by the General Assembly.

Quorums

A Quorum for a committee meeting will be three (3) members.

For a resolution to be passed fifty one per cent (51%) of paid up members attending the meeting have to vote in favour.

General Assembly

The General Assembly shall be the supreme governing body of EAS. It is composed of the Members. The General assembly is fully empowered as set out in the Statutes and Bye-Laws.

The General Assembly shall meet at least once per calendar year and this meeting shall be called "Annual General Meeting".

If so requested by the Executive Board or if a written request is submitted to the Executive Board by at least 25% of the Members or an Extraordinary General Assembly must be convened to take place within 90 days.



The place and date of the Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary Meeting of the General Assembly and the method by which it is called and members are to be notified shall be determined in accordance with the procedures and timetables set out in the Bye-Laws.

The General Assembly shall be empowered to:

- a) Approve and modify the Statutes.
- b) Approve and modify the Bye-Law.
- c) Conduct statutory elections.
- d) Appoint external auditors, receive audited financial statements and determine membership fees.
- e) Receive a report on the programme of activities.
- f) Decide upon proposals submitted by the Executive Board and/or Members.
- g) Voluntarily dissolve the European Athlete Student in accordance with these Statutes.

A meeting of the General Assembly requires the presence of a minimum quorum of fifty per cent (50%) of the Members with voting rights. The respective quorum shall be reached at the opening session of the General Assembly and is then valid for the whole meeting of that General Assembly. If a quorum is not reached then the meeting shall proceed as set out in the Bye-Laws.

Voting on amendments to the Statutes or the Bye-Laws requires the approval of at least two thirds of the Members present and voting. Voting on all other matters except the dissolution of EAS requires a simple majority decision of the Members present and voting.

Duties of the Honorary Secretary, Membership Secretary and Social Secretary:

The Honorary Secretary shall:

- a) Conduct the correspondence of “the Association”;
- b) Keep custody of all “the Association's” documents;
- c) Keep full minutes of all the meetings of the Association, the Committee and sub-Committees which shall be confirmed and signed by the appropriate Chairperson upon agreement of the Association, the Committee or the sub-Committees at the next following meeting of “the Association”, the Committee or sub-Committee.
- d) Administer such insurance policy or policies as may be needed fully to protect the interests of “the Association”, its Administrators and its members.
- e) Maintain contact with “the Association's” legal advisor to ensure that “the Association's” affairs are managed in accordance with the current law.



f) Receive nominations of candidates proposing to be committee members and keeping a Register of Candidates.

The Membership Secretary shall:

a) Keep a register of “the Association's” members, their names, addresses and contact numbers;

b) Be in charge of collecting the entrance fee and annual subscription from “the Association's” Members.

The Social Secretary shall:

Be in charge of the organisation of social events, intended to raise funds for the fulfilment of the aims and objects of “the Association”. The Social Secretary shall be in charge of the overall organisation of the said events, including but not limited to finding sponsorships, advertising the event and selling any tickets for admission to such activities.

Duties of the Honorary Treasurer:

The Treasurer shall:

a) Cause such books of accounts to be kept as are necessary to give a true and fair view of the state of the finances of “the Association”;

b) Cause all returns as may be required by law in relation to such accounts to be rendered at due time;

c) Prepare an annual balance sheet as at the thirty first (31st) December in each year which shall be made available to “the Association's” members at the Annual General Meeting; and

d) Render accounts to the Commissioner of Voluntary Organisations as requested from time to time.

e) Be appointed at the Annual General Meeting in each year.

Election and Retirement of Committee Members

a) Nominations for Committee Members, shall be received before the thirty first (31st) January each year. Nominations will not be accepted from the floor during an Annual General Meeting. All nominations must be duly proposed and seconded and bear the written consent of the person nominated.

b) An application for nomination shall be in the form, from time to time prescribed by the Committee, and shall include the name, address, date of birth and occupation of the candidate, ID Number, and the signature of the Proposer and the Secunder.



- c) Upon receipt of an application for membership, the Secretary shall enter such application in a Register of Candidates.
- d) The Secretary shall inform each candidate in writing of the Candidate's election or non-election. She shall furnish an elected candidate with a copy of the rules and bylaws.
- e) A Committee member desirous of retiring from membership shall give notice in writing to the Secretary, of a minimum of six (6) months, prior to date of proposed retirement.
- f) In exceptional circumstances where the Committee Member feels that he/she needs to retire immediately, that is without the six-month notice period, he may make a written request to the Committee, explaining the circumstances of his case. The Committee may, at its sole discretion, if it feels that the circumstances leading to such request are justified, allow the Committee member to retire immediately.
- g) If the Committee member retires before his term has lapsed, the Committee may co-opt another suitable person to fill in the vacancy until the next following Annual General Meeting.

Retirement of Members

- a) A member desirous of retiring from membership shall give notice in writing to the Secretary, at least a month before proposed date of retirement, and shall then not be liable to pay the subscription for the following year.
- b) No refund shall be granted to Members who leave "the Association", before the lapse of one year from Registration.
- c) Upon re-application by a past member the Committee may, at its discretion, excuse the payment of an Entrance Fee.
- d) The Committee may cancel, without notice given, the membership of any members whose annual subscription and the annual fees are more than three months in arrears provided that the Committee may, at its discretion, re-instate such member upon payment of arrears. No member whose annual payments are in arrears may enter any event of "the Association" nor vote at any meeting.

Accounts

- a) Bank accounts shall be operated in the name of "the Association" and cheques shall be signed by any two from the President, Vice-President, Honorary Secretary or Honorary Treasurer.
- b) Proper books and records shall be kept by the Honorary Treasurer.
- c) Accounts for each financial year shall be drawn up, audited by "the Association's" Auditor and presented to the Annual General Meeting having first been submitted to the Committee for approval. The Financial year runs from the first (01st) January up to the thirty first (31st) December of each year. The accounts shall not be audited in the Bye Laws.



d.) The auditor shall be elected at the AGM. The auditor may be a member of the Association but should not be a Committee member. If necessary the Committee may agree that appropriate remuneration be paid to the auditor. The annual General meeting shall be held within six (6) months from the end of each year.

Legal and Judicial Representation

The Legal and Judicial Representation of “the Association” shall vest in the President together with one of the following:

1. Vice-President;
2. Honorary Secretary; or
3. Honorary Treasurer.

Disbandment and Dissolution of the Association

In the event of “the Association” being disbanded, the Committee shall convene an Extraordinary General Meeting.

Upon dissolution, all assets of the organisation shall be applied in favour of another non-profit organisation with similar purposes as the organisation which may be selected by the administrators.

Bye- laws

- a) Bye - laws shall be introduced from time to time regulating the overall operation of “the Association.”
- b) Such bylaws are to be approved at the Annual General Meeting, with the consent of fifty one per cent (51%) of those present and voting.
- c) In case a particular regulation needs to be introduced urgently, an Extraordinary General meeting will be called, and the said bylaw is to be approved by fifty one per cent (51%) of those present and voting at the said Extraordinary General Meeting.

This statute may be revoked , added to or altered by a vote of at least fifty one percent (51%) of all of the registered Members of the Organization who are who are entitled to vote at a General Meeting of the Organization of which notice has been duly given specifying the intention to propose the revocation, addition or alteration , together with full particulars thereof.



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