



sunce

Statute

20 December 2023

Pursuant to Article 13 of the Associations Act (Official gazette of the Republic of Croatia issues 74/2014, 70/2017, 98/2019, 151/22), the Assembly of the Association for Nature, Environment and Sustainable Development Sunce (Sun), Split, was held on 20 December 2023 and adopted

STATUTE

I. BASIC PROVISIONS

Article 1

This Statute regulates the name, headquarters, scope of activities in accordance with the objectives, representation, objectives, activities aimed at achieving the objectives, economic activities in accordance with the law, manner of ensuring public transparency of the association's operations, membership terms and conditions, rights, obligations, responsibilities and disciplinary liability of members, method of keeping a members' register, association bodies, their composition and manner of session convening, appointment, relieve of duty, authorities, decision making method and duration of mandate of the association bodies, manner of assembly convention in the event of mandate expiration, appointment and relieve of duty of the association liquidator, wound up of the association, assets, acquisition and disposal of assets, handling of assets in the event of the association wound up, manner of internal dispute and conflict of interest resolution, territorial scope of activities, the association trademark and its outlook, and other matters of relevance for the Association for Nature, Environment and Sustainable Development Sunce (herein after referred to as the Sunce).

Article 2

The terms and expressions used in this Statute and acts adopted on its basis, which have gender meaning, regardless of whether they are used in the masculine or feminine gender, shall include both masculine and feminine gender, in equal manner.

Article 3

The Sunce is non-governmental, not politically affiliated and not-for-profit organization.

Article 4

The full name of the association is the Association for Nature, Environment and Sustainable Development Sunce.

The abbreviated name of the association is the Sunce.

In addition to its name in Croatian, the Sunce shall use English name in legal transactions.

Article 5

The headquarters of the Sunce is in Split, the Republic of Croatia.

The decision on change of headquarters' address shall be adopted by the Executive Board.

Article 6

The Sunce is a legal entity registered at the competent administrative body of Split-Dalmatia County with rights, obligations and responsibilities as determined by the Constitution, the Associations Act and this Statute.

Article 7

The Sunce may establish its branches.

Decision on incorporation of a branch shall be adopted by the Assembly.

Branches are not legal entities and their work shall be regulated by separate acts.

Article 8

The Sunce has its trademark.

The trademark representing the name of Sunce is written in small lowercase letters, with the letter "n" replaced by the eta symbol denoting efficiency (usefulness), and the letter "c" replaced by round arrow representing the cycle (circulation of matter in nature, life, renewal, responsible waste treatment).



Article 9

The Sunce has a rectangular seal with dimensions 58 mm x 22 mm, with the symbol of the sun printed in its centre, and above the symbol there is a text Association for Nature, Environment and Sustainable Development.

Executive Director keeps and uses the seal, as well as two members of the Executive Board who have signing authority and other members of the Sunce, authorized by the Executive Board.

Article 10

The Sunce may join national and international networks of associations.

The Decision to join other associations shall be adopted by the Assembly.

Article 11

The Executive Director and two other members of the Executive Board represent and act on behalf of the Sunce and are responsible for legality of its operations. The Executive Board may authorize other persons to represent and act on behalf of the Sunce.

Article 12

The Sunce has bylaws and other acts that regulate rights and obligations of its members, employees and volunteers in more detail.

II. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Article 13

The objectives of the Sunce are preservation of nature and environment as fundamental values of the society, and acceptable management of natural resources by application of sustainable development principles.

Article 14

The scope of activities of the Sunce, in line with its objectives, includes:

- Environment and nature protection
- Sustainable development
- Democratic political culture
- Human rights
- Education, science and research
- International co-operation
- Economy
- Culture and art
- Health protection
- Spirituality.

Article 15

Activities of the Sunce aimed at achieving objectives from Article 13 of this Statute, within the scope of operation from Article 14, are, as follows:

- Protection, preservation and sustainable use of all environment components and conservation of particularly valuable natural areas, other spaces and plant and animal species
- Preservation of natural heritage
- Increasing level of awareness and organization of activities aimed at reduction of waste generation and increasing recycling, encouraging energy efficiency and use of renewables
- Undertaking legally prescribed measures through competent professional services and authorities aimed at environment and nature protection
- Development of rural and urban areas, including education for sustainable development of these areas, planning of their development and protection of public good in these areas
- Promotion, encouragement and development of development system enabling sustainable economic development, including development of sustainable tourism, fisheries and waste management
- Education for democratic citizenship
- Organization of public events (panels, lectures, round tables, seminars, workshops, exhibitions, public actions, including underwater activities, etc.) aimed at promoting awareness of the need for nature preservation and environment protection and achievement of sustainable development
- Organization of citizens' gatherings to increase their awareness, provide advice and promote active and healthy lifestyle of a sports-recreational type,
- Promotion of non-violence and peace building
- Promotion and development of volunteering and volunteering activities
- Promotion of social solidarity
- Promotion of good governance and fighting against corruption
- Encouragement of public to use their right of access to information
- Encouragement of participatory democracy / participation of citizens in decision making
- Monitoring of and advocating for public policies,

- Encouragement and participation in civil society and local community development
- Informing the public
- Preparation of professional papers, conducting land and underwater research, particularly in the field of social, humanistic, natural and technical sciences, and interdisciplinary areas of science
- Publishing scientific and professional publications, printed and audiovisual materials, computer programs and informative educational materials
- Development and maintenance of interactive media
- Organization of national and international scientific and expert gatherings, schools, congresses and seminars
- Networking and international scientific and professional co-operation
- Realization and implementation of developmental international co-operation
- Development and promotion of education, including non-institutional education for citizens, particularly children and youth, focusing on nature and environment protection, sustainable development and healthy styles of living
- Encouragement of mobility in education
- Encouragement of creativity in education
- Organization of free-time activities, particularly for children and youth
- Education for active participation in development of democratic culture, protection and promotion of senior citizens' human rights, and right to healthy environment
- Non-professional film and video activity
- Non-professional photography, underwater photography and other audiovisual activities
- Preventive action, improvement and protection of health, particularly related to protection from chemical food pollution and encouragement of adoption of healthy lifestyle habits
- Protection of consumer rights
- Encouragement of personal development
- Social entrepreneurship, particularly its promotion and development of social entrepreneurship within the Sunce
- Other suitable activities, as well as activities in accordance with special regulations and aimed at realization of objectives of the Sunce.

Activities from this Article are realized by programs, projects and activities that are implemented by the Sunce through work of its employees, external associates and volunteers.

Article 16

In addition to mentioned activities, the Sunce also performs the following commercial activities, aimed at realization of objectives of the Sunce, and in accordance with the valid law and special regulations for each particular activity:

- Preparation of studies, plans and expert analyses, opinions and reports
- Providing education services within the scope of the Sunce activities
- Design, organization and implementation of public events
- Publishment and sale of proprietary printed and audiovisual materials, informative and promotional materials, publications and computer programs
- Sale of sustainable environmental products, informative educational and promotional materials
- Rental of sustainable environmental products
- Underwater research in natural sciences.

III. TRANSPARENCY OF OPERATIONS

Article 17

The operations of the Sunce are public.

The transparency of operations is achieved through official web page, promotional materials and media.

The members are notified about the operations of the Sunce via electronic media, written materials and sessions of the Assembly.

Article 18

Information that has been designated as proprietary or pertains to the personal data of Sunce's members and employees may be exempt from public disclosure.

IV. MEMBERSHIP

Physical Persons

Article 19

Any individual over the age of 14 who accepts the provisions of this Statute and the Association's Code of Ethics can become a member of the Sunce.

A legal guardian or caregiver must provide written consent for a minor who has reached the age of 14.

Article 20

Membership in the Sunce may be, as follows:

- Active
- Regular
- Supporting
- Honorary.

Article 21

Membership in the Sunce is acquired by registration on the membership list based on a written request.

The Sunce keeps a digital list of members containing personal data including name, personal identification number (OIB), date of birth, date of joining the Association, membership category, date of membership fee payment, fulfilment of requirements for a particular type of membership in Sun, and other relevant information for membership management."

The Sunce has a list of volunteers, in which data on volunteer hours and activities of individual volunteers are systematically recorded.

The list of members and the list of volunteers are kept by a person authorized by the Executive Board.

The Executive Board and the Assembly are entitled to a supervision over the lists of members and volunteers.

Article 22

The rights and obligations of all members are, as follows:

- To be informed about the operation of the Sunce
- To attend sessions of the Assembly
- To comply with the decisions adopted by bodies of the Sunce
- To comply with the provisions of the Statute, Code of Ethics and other acts of the Sunce
- To be regularly informed about their membership
- To uphold the reputation and promote the work of the Sunce.

Article 23

Active member of the Sunce may be any adult, with legal capacity that expresses interest to actively participate in its work and meets the following criteria:

- Volunteering in the Sunce or significant contribution to its work
- Not being an official of any political party
- Payment of annual membership fee, or exemption of payment due to volunteering minimal number of hours on an annual level, as defined by the special decision of the Executive Board.

The Executive Board of the Sunce adopts a decision about request for active membership and change of status of active member.

Article 24

In addition to rights and obligations defined by Article 22, active members have the following rights and obligations:

- Participate and adopt decisions in the Assembly sessions
- Propose activities, opinions and objections related to work of the Sunce and its bodies
- Volunteer and thus contribute to work and development of the Sunce
- Alert Executive and/or Supervisory Committee about identified irregularities related to implementation of the Statute and other legal acts
- Use educational materials of the Sunce and other organizations that the Sunce co-operates with
- Use physical and digital materials owned by the Sunce
- Pay regularly annual membership fee or volunteer minimal number of hours on an annual level, as defined by the special decision of the Executive Board in order to be exempt from payment of annual membership fee.

Article 25

Regular and supporting members of the Sunce may be any physical persons older than 14 years of age, in accordance with the conditions from Article 19 of the Statute.

Article 26

In addition to rights and obligations defined by Article 22, regular members have the following rights and obligations:

- Participate in the Assembly sessions as observers
- Use physical and digital materials owned by the Sunce
- Use educational materials of the Sunce and other organizations that the Sunce co-operates with

- Pay regularly annual membership fee or volunteer minimal number of hours on an annual level, as defined by the special decision of the Executive Board in order to be exempt from payment of annual membership fee.

Regular members that have not paid membership fee for more than two consecutive years shall be classified as supporting members.

Article 27

In addition to obligations defined by Article 22, supporting members have obligation to support financially with a one-time contribution the work of the Sunce at least with the amount of annual membership fee.

Article 28

An honorary member may be any legal entity or physical person that:

- has significantly contributed to the development and work of the Sunce through their actions, or has distinguished themselves in the field of environmental conservation, nature preservation, sustainable development, and overall social engagement, contributing to the goals advocated by the Sunce through their work or way of life, or
- financially supports the work of the Sunce.

A reasoned proposal for honorary membership is submitted to the Assembly by at least five active members. The Assembly shall adopt a decision and appoint honorary members.

Honorary members have all the rights and obligations arising from the active membership in the Sunce.

Article 29

The procedure due to non-compliance with the Code of Ethics shall be initiated on the basis of a written or oral complaint submitted to the Ethics Committee within a period of eight days of the observed violation. The essential content of the complaint and the method of submitting the complaint are determined by the Code of Ethics.

The Ethics Committee is obligated to examine and conduct the procedure for non-compliance with the Code of Ethics within a maximum of eight days from the receipt of the complaint.

Article 30

Upon examination of the complaint, the Ethics Committee shall send a warning to a member informing him or her about a complaint submitted in relation to non-compliance of the Code of Ethics with a deadline of eight days following the date of receipt of the warning for reply.

Upon receipt of the member's reply, or expiry of the deadline from the previous paragraph, the Committee shall, in a period of 30 days, convene a session to decide about reported violation of the Code of Ethics.

The Committee decides about the complaint at the session by majority of votes of all members.

In the event that a Committee member is also the member that violated the Code of Ethics, such a member shall be replaced by a member of the Executive Board appointed by the members of the Executive Board among themselves.

A record of the session is kept, signed by all members of the Committee, and kept at the agreed-upon location.

Article 31

Depending on the established facts, the Committee may adopt the following decisions:

- Termination of procedure
- There was no violation of the Code of Ethics, and
- The member is responsible for violation along with the imposition of sanctions.

The Committee may determine a minor or major violation of the Code of Ethics. The classification of the severity of violations of the Code of Ethics is an integral part of the Code of Ethics.

Article 32

The Committee may impose herein below following sanctions by the decision establishing the violation of the Code of Ethics and member's responsibility:

For minor violations:

- A written warning personally delivered to the member, and/or
- Mandatory education and/or counselling on the topic of violation of the Code of Ethics organized by the Association, not later than six months from the committed violation with obligatory evaluation of the effect of education by the Ethical Committee.

For major violations:

- Expulsion.

Article 33

Membership in the Sunce ends by:

- Written statement of resignation from membership
- Expulsion if actions and conduct of members have harmed the reputation of the Sunce, violated the Code of Ethics, Statute, or other relevant acts of the Sunce
- Failure to comply with membership obligations.

The decision on expulsion is adopted by the Executive Committee upon the proposal of 1/3 of active members.

Against the decision of the Executive Board regarding expulsion or rejection of the request for admission to active membership, an objection can be filed with the Assembly within 15 days.

The decision of the Assembly is final and binding.

Article 34

Individuals who volunteer long-term at the Sunce accept the rights and obligations of regular members, or active members if they have submitted and had their request for admission to active membership approved (Article 23). Volunteering at the Sunce is regulated by special regulations.

Legal Entities

Article 35

Legal entities may become members of specific programs for legal entities that are developed in accordance with the provisions of this Statute.

Any legal entity that accepts the provisions of this Statute, the Code of Ethics, and the specific program of the Sunce from paragraph 1 of this Article may become a member of the Sunce.

The responsible person in a legal entity is obligated to authorize one physical person to act on behalf of the legal entity in executing the rights and duties of members prescribed by this Statute.

The provisions regarding physical persons' rights and obligations of members apply to legal entities in an appropriate manner, with such rights and obligations being executed by the authorized representative of the legal entity that is a member of the Sunce in accordance with paragraph 3 of this Article.

V. GOVERNING BODIES

Article 36

The Sunce is governed directly by its active members and indirectly by appointed representatives in the governing bodies of the Sunce.

Article 37

The governing bodies of the Sun are, as follows:

- Assembly
- Supervisory Committee
- Executive Board
- Executive director.

Assembly

Article 38

The Assembly is the highest governing body of the Sunce. The Assembly consists of all active members of the Sunce.

Article 39

The sessions of the Assembly may be regular, electoral and extraordinary.

Regular sessions are held at least once a year.

Electoral sessions are held every four years.

The Assembly's proceedings are public.

Besides in physical attendance of the members, regular, electoral and extraordinary assembly sessions may be held electronically (online conference, co-operation and decision-making application or e-mail).

At the sessions held electronically, it is not allowed to conduct discussions on topics that are subject to decisions by the competent administrative body, as outlined by Article 27 of the Associations Act.

Article 40

The executive director shall convene and chair regular and extraordinary sessions, as well as propose their agendas; in the event of the termination of the Executive Board mandate, an active member appointed by the executive Board may replace the executive director. An extraordinary assembly shall be convened in accordance with Article 44 of this Statute.

The executive director may, when justified, authorize another member of the Executive Board, to convene, propose agenda and chair regular and extraordinary assemblies.

Article 41

All members shall be informed about the Assembly by public announcement or via electronic media (e-mail) at least seven days before the Assembly. The invitation shall include a proposed agenda. The invitation shall contain information about the location and time of the session. The location shall not be specified if the Assembly is held electronically, but the technical details necessary for holding the session are specified.

Materials required for work of the Assembly shall be delivered only to active members.

Article 42

The Assembly may adopt valid decisions if the session is attended by a qualified majority of all active members of the Sunce.

The convener is obligated to determine the quorum.

The Assembly shall adopt decisions by a qualified majority of all active members.

In the event of electronically held Assembly, the decisions shall be adopted by a qualified majority of all active members that voted.

Minutes of the Assembly's proceedings shall be kept and permanently stored in the Sunce's archives.

The Assembly shall appoint a secretary and a verifier of the minutes among the present active members.

Article 43

Voting in the Assembly is public. However, the Assembly may decide to vote on certain issues in secret.

Article 44

Extraordinary Assembly shall be convened by the authorized member of the Executive Board at the initiative of at least ½ of its members or at the initiative of at least ½ of all active members of the Sunce. In the event of absence of all members of the executive Board or termination of the Executive Board mandate, the extraordinary Assembly shall be convened by an active member of the Sunce elected by the Executive Board.

In their request for convening an extraordinary Assembly, the proposers are obligated to propose the agenda.

If authorized member of the executive Board does not convene the extraordinary Assembly, it may be convened by the proposers.

The authorized member of the executive Board is responsible for the Assembly convening process and coordination of the Assembly session.

Article 45

The Assembly is competent for the following operations je:

- Adoption of the Statute, and its changes and amendments

- Appointment and relieve of duty of the Executive Board members
- Appointment and relieve of duty of the Supervisory Committee members
- Adoption of the Strategic plan
- Adoption of operative and financial plans for the next calendar year, and financial and narrative reports for the previous calendar year
- Adoption of decision to join federations, associations, networks and other forms of association
- Adoption of decision to change objectives and activities, commercial activities, termination of operation and distribution of the remaining assets of the Sunce
- Adoption of decision organizational and status changes and termination of operations of the Sunce
- Appointment of the Ethics Committee members
- Adoption of decision about amount of annual membership fee for physical persons and legal entities
- Adoption of decisions about other matters for which the jurisdiction of other bodies is not established by the Statute
- Appointment and relieve of duty of liquidator.

Supervisory Committee

Article 46

The Supervisory Committee is the highest body overseeing the management and operations of the Executive Board between two sessions of the Assembly.

The Supervisory Committee consists of three members who are not employees of the Sunce.

The executive director and one member of the Executive Board elected as the representative of employees shall participate in the work of the Supervisory Committee with no decision-making rights.

The mandate of the Supervisory Committee members shall last for four years.

The Supervisory Committee is responsible for its work to the Assembly.

The work of the Supervisory Committee shall be managed by the Supervisory Committee coordinator.

The Supervisory Committee coordinator shall be elected for a mandate of four years by the Supervisory Committee among its members.

Article 47

The Supervisory Committee members are appointed pursuant to previously conducted call for members. The call for members shall be announced by the Executive Board.

The Executive Board shall propose to the Assembly candidates that comply with the conditions outlined by the call. The Assembly shall elect new members of the Supervisory Committee among the proposed members.

Voting for members of the Supervisory Committee is by a secret ballot.

Article 48

A member of the Supervisory Committee may resign from his/her position before the expiration of his/her mandate upon his/her personal request.

A member of the Supervisory Committee may be relieved of their duty by the Assembly:

- In the event of inability to perform duties for longer than six months

- Due to major violations of the provisions of the Statute, Code of Ethics and other legal acts that regulate operations of the Sunce
- Due to abuse of power and/or harm caused to the reputation of the Sunce
- Due to unconscientious and irresponsible performance of duties.

Article 49

A proposal for the removal of a member of the Supervisory Committee can be submitted by any member of the Supervisory Committee or by 1/3 of active members of the Sunce.

The decision on relieve of duty shall be adopted by the Assembly by a qualified majority of all present active members within 30 days as of the date of submission of the proposal.

Article 50

In the event of termination of mandate of the Supervisory Committee member prior to the expiration of term, the Assembly shall select a new member among its active members in accordance with Article 46 of the Statute within 30 days. Mandat of such elected Supervisory Committee member shall last until the expiration of the Supervisory Committee mandate.

If the entire Supervisory Committee is relieved of duty, the Assembly elects the new Supervisory Committee with full mandate in accordance with the articles 46 and 47 of this Statute and appoints the person responsible for conduction of the proceeding.

Article 51

The Supervisory Committee coordinator convenes and chairs the Supervisory Committee meetings. The meetings of the Supervisory Committee are held as necessary, at least three times a year.

Article 52

The Supervisory Committee may adopt valid decisions if the meetings are attended by more than half of its members, whether in person, or by remote meeting tools.

The Supervisory Committee shall adopt decisions by consensus, if the consensus is not possible, the decisions shall be adopted by a qualified majority of all Supervisory Committee members.

Other members of the Sunce and external associates may be invited to the meetings of the Supervisory Committee as needed.

Article 53

The Supervisory Committee shall be in charge of the following operations:

- Supervision and monitoring of the work of the executive Board, executive director, financial and material operations of the Sunce, compliance with the law, the Statute, the Assembly decisions and other general acts of the Sunce; alerting the Assembly in the event of irregularities
- Implementation of other decisions of the Assembly
- Providing opinion about the strategic plan, other plans and programs, work reports and financial operations

- Providing opinion and counselling the Executive Board on matters concerning the enhancement of the Association's impact, visibility, and reputation, the program activities of the Association, management and governance, fundraising and resource mobilization, human resource development, and establishment of partnerships
- Supervision of implementation of the strategic, operative and financial plans
- Submission of report about its work to the Assembly
- Evaluation of the work of executive director.

Executive Board

Article 54

The Executive Board consist of five members: executive director, head of organizational unit for finances, organization and administration, one representative of other organizational units' heads, and two representatives of employees.

The mandate of the Executive Board members shall last four years.

The members of the Executive Board shall be elected by the Assembly.

The Executive Board shall elect and relieve of duty the executive director.

The Executive Board shall elect an employees' representative among its members who shall participate at the Supervisory Committee meetings.

The Executive Board shall elect its two members to be authorized for representation in addition to the executive director.

The Executive Board shall be held responsible for its work to the Supervisory Committee and the Assembly.

Article 55

The Executive Board shall propose to the Assembly candidates that fulfil criteria for the appointment as the Executive Board members in the following mandate.

Candidates for the Executive Board members are elected among the Sunce employees, by internal procedure (by personal expression of interest or at the proposal of other employees).

Candidates for the Executive Board members as the employees' representatives shall be elected by voting of the employees.

Voting for the Executive Board members is by a secret ballot.

Article 56

The Executive Board meetings are held as per need, but no less than 10 times a year.

The Executive Board meetings shall be chaired by all members, in rotation.

The Executive Board may adopt valid decisions if the meetings are attended by more than half of its members, whether in person, or by remote meeting tools.

The Executive Board shall adopt decisions by consensus, if the consensus is not possible, the decisions shall be adopted by a qualified majority of all Executive Board members.

Article 57

The Executive Board shall be competent for the following operations:

- Governance of the Sunce in accordance with the law, the Statute and other internal acts, decisions of the Assembly and counsels of the Supervisory Committee
- Implementation of the Association's mission, organizational development of the Association, including establishment/revoking of organizational units
- Co-organization of the Assembly
- Care for material and legal matters of the Sunce and is held responsible for the entire assets of the Sunce
- Responsibility for management of finances and human resources of the Sunce
- Organization of audit to be conducted by an independent financial institution
- Determination of priorities, approval of required changes and development of new projects
- Adoption of decisions about sponsorships and donations of private sector
- Adoption of decision about the headquarters of the Sunce
- Appointment and relieve of duty of persons authorized for representation of the Sunce, in addition to the executive director
- Appointment and relieve of duty of the executive director
- Proposal of liquidator to the assembly
- Implementation of the Strategic Plan, other plans and the Assembly decisions
- Preparation of annual work and financial operations report draft that is to be adopted by the Assembly
- Determination of the final changes and amendments of the Statute, including opinion of the Supervisory Committee and submission of the Statute, as changed and amended, to the Assembly
- Preparation and proposal of annual operative and financial plans of the organization
- Preparation of final drafts of bylaws and other acts, including opinion of the Supervisory Committee
- Submission of its work reports to the Supervisory Committee
- Appointment of committees and similar bodies as needed, in collaboration with the Supervisory Committee
- Adoption of decisions about acceptance and termination of active membership
- Adoption of decisions about minimal number of volunteering hours for the exemption of payment of annual membership fee
- Adoption of decisions about awards and other acknowledgements.

Article 58

In order to be operative and act in a quality way, the Executive Board may establish permanent or temporary, working or counselling bodies.

The Executive Board, by decision on the establishment of the body from the previous paragraph, determines its composition, scope of work, and other issues related to the functioning of that body.

Article 59

In the event of termination of the mandate of the executive Board member prior to its expiration, the Assembly appoints a new member, in accordance with Articles 54 and 55 of the Statute within 30 days. The mandate of such appointed member of the Executive Board shall last until the expiration of the Executive Board member.

If entire Executive Board is relieved of duty, the Assembly shall appoint new Executive Board with full mandate, in accordance with Articles 54 and 55 of this Statute and name responsible person to conduct these proceedings.

Executive Director

Article 60

The executive director is appointed for the mandate of four years with the possibility of reappointment. The executive director is appointed by public or internal call for vacancy. Decision about the kind of call for vacancy shall be adopted by the Executive Board. Among the applicants who meet the requirements of the vacancy, the Executive Board will make a decision by consensus or, if consensus cannot be reached, by a simple majority.

Article 61

The executive director may resign from his/her position before the expiration of his/her mandate upon his/her personal request..

The executive director that does not fulfil his/her obligations as determined by the Statute or does not fulfil them in a satisfactory way may be relieved of duty by the Executive Board prior to the expiration of his appointed mandate.

In the event of termination of the executive director's mandate before the expiration of the mandate, the Executive Board is obligated to initiate the procedure for selecting a new executive director within 30 days of the revocation of the mandate. During the election period, a member of the Executive Board elected by the Executive Board by majority vote shall perform the duties of the executive director.

In the event of extraordinary circumstances, the Executive Board may extend the valid mandate of the executive director for a period not longer than 12 months.

Article 62

The executive director shall be in charge of the following operations:

- Coordination of the work of the Executive Board
- Implementation of the Executive Board decisions
- Coordination of the development of the Sunce through co-operation with the Executive Board and heads of organizational units of the Sunce
- Coordination and leading the process of amendment of all acts of the Sunce
- Convening, proposing agenda and chairing regular and extraordinary Assemblies
- Coordination of the delivery of minutes from the Assembly sessions and of other facts that have impact on change of public data at the Registry of Associations to the competent office in charge of the Registry of Associations
- Delivery of minutes taken at regular annual Assembly session to the competent office in charge of the Registry of Associations
- Coordination of the process of preparing the proposal for the Strategic Plan and other plans and programs prepared by the Executive Committee, submission of these plans for adoption to the Assembly, and for review to the Supervisory Committee

- Coordination of the process of preparation of work and financial operations report to be submitted by the Executive Board, submission of these plans for adoption to the Assembly, and for review to the Supervisory Committee
- Coordination of human resources management, preparation of working plans and required changes and amendments of the documents related to human resources management; coordination of employment and letting go of the employees
- Evaluation of the Strategic Plan implementation in coordination with the Executive Board
- Fundraising.

VI. LIQUIDATOR

Article 63

The liquidator of the Sunce shall be appointed and relieved of duty by the Assembly at the proposal of the Executive Board.

The liquidator may be a person who is not a member of the Sunce, but must possess appropriate expertise to manage the distribution of the Sunce's assets.

The liquidator is entitled to a compensation for his/her work in the amount specified by the Executive Board.

The liquidator shall represent the Sunce during the liquidation proceedings and shall be registered at the Registry of Associations upon initiation of the liquidation proceedings, as the person authorized to represent the Sunce until the completion of the liquidation proceedings and removal of the association from the Registry of Associations.

VII. ASSOCIATION'S ASSETS, REIMBURSEMENT FO EXPENSES AND FINANCIAL YEAR

Article 64

The activities of the Sunce shall be financed by:

- Membership fees
- Funds allocated by governmental bodies and other organizations for the purpose of achieving the set objectives
- Income from gifts, donations, contributions, inheritances, and similar sources
- Performance of other activities in accordance with the law and the Statute.

The realized profit is used to achieve the Sunce's objectives.

Article 65

The assets of the Sunce include monetary funds, real estate, equipment, inventory, and archival/library collections. The Sunce's assets are used to achieve its program objectives and ensure the organization's proper functioning.

The Executive Board decides on the use of funds upon the proposal of the executive director.

Article 66

The Executive Board manages the assets of the Sunce in accordance with the regulations related to material and financial business operations of not-for-profit organizations.

The monetary funds of the Sunce shall be distributed by a financial plan for calendar year, prepared by the Executive Board and adopted by the Assembly.

Article 67

The Sunce shall be liable for all its obligations with its entire assets, in accordance with the law.

Article 68

The financial year of the Sunce begins on 1 January, and ends on 31 December of the same year.

VIII. MANNER OF DISPUTE AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION WITHIN ASSOCIATION

Article 69

The disputes among the Sunce's members or conflicts of interest within the Sunce that are not resolved in manner envisaged by Articles 29-33 of this Statute, shall be resolved at the competent court.

IX. TERMINATION OF WORK

Article 70

The operation of Sun ceases by decision of the Assembly or for reasons prescribed by the Associations Act.

The decision about the cease of operations of the Sunce shall be adopted by the Assembly by a qualified majority vote of all active members present at the Assembly.

Article 71

In the event of termination of work, the Sunce's assets shall be transferred to an association (or associations) that have similar statutory objectives and activities, and the decision about the choice of association shall be adopted by the Assembly upon the proposal of the Executive Board.

X. TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 72

This Statute enters into force as of the date of its verification by the competent administrative body of Split-Dalmatia County.

Upon the adoption of this Statute, the provisions of the Statute dated May 31, 2022, cease to be valid.

Administrative Board Chairwoman

Zrinka Jakl



sunce

Udruga za prirodu, okoliš i održivi razvoj Sunce

Obala hrvatskog narodnog preporoda 7
21000 Split, Croatia

Tel: +38521360779

Mob: +385913607790

Zeleni telefon: 072/123456

E-mail: info@sunce-st.org

Web: sunce-st.org