



## Association Statutes of Gesundheit und Bildung Gambia e.V. - Health and Education Gambia (registered association)

### § 1 Name and seat

The association bears the name "Gesundheit und Bildung Gambia e.V."<sup>1</sup> and has its seat in the city of Rangsdorf, Germany. It is registered in the official Register of Associations, Societies and Clubs at the Amtsgericht/Local Court<sup>2</sup> of the city of Zossen, Germany.

### § 2 Purpose of the association

1. The association has the intention to arouse charity and responsibility for needy and ill children, adolescents and families in Gambia and to contribute to the relief of misery.
2. Help is especially to be given through medical examination and care, in schools and residential districts, and through making school attendance possible via the arrangement of godparenthood (payment of school fees) by German godparents – without distinction of sex, nationality, race or religion.
3. Besides, available means can be used for help in special emergency cases involving children and their families.
4. The association makes publicity for the realization of this purpose. It finances its work with membership fees and donations.

### § 3 Non-profit character

1. In fulfilment of the tasks laid down in §2, the association pursues exclusively and directly charitable causes in the public interest within the meaning of the paragraph „Tax-privileged causes“ of the German Tax Regulations Law. The association acts selflessly and does not pursue any profitable causes in the first place.
2. The means of the association must only be used for purposes as laid down in its statutes.
3. The members have no claim to the means of the association or to profit shares. Besides, they are not entitled to any shares of the association's property. As long as members act on behalf of the association, they only have claim to the refund of their expenses. The granting of adequate remuneration for services on the basis of employment contracts or special individual assignments remains untouched by this.
4. No person must be favoured, neither in case of administration expenses outside the association's purpose nor by disproportionately high remunerations.

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<sup>1</sup> Health and Education Gambia (registered association)

<sup>2</sup> German lower district court having jurisdiction over minor civil and criminal cases in their respective districts

### **§ 4 Membership and fees**

1. Members of the association can be natural and juristic persons who welcome, promote or actively support its purpose and work. Each member has to pay the annual membership fee as agreed on by the members' meeting, namely by 31 March of the respective year.
2. Admission into the association is supposed to be applied for in writing. The Managing Committee decides about the admission.
3. Membership ends with death, resignation or expulsion. It lapses when no payment has been made to the association for one year. Resignation must be declared to the Managing Committee in writing. Expulsion can occur on decision of the Managing Committee on important grounds. Protest against expulsion can be raised in front of the Members' Meeting, the decision of the Members' Meeting is final.

### **§ 5 Institutions of the association**

Institutions of the association are:

- a. the Members' Meeting and
- b. the Managing Committee

### **§ 6 The Members' Meeting**

At least once a year, preferably in April, a regular Members' Meeting takes place. It decides fees, release and election of the Managing Committee, as well as changes in the statutes. An extraordinary Members' Meeting is to be summoned by request of one third of the members. The Managing Committee summons the meeting at two weeks' notice in written form including the publication of the agenda.

The Members' Meeting constitutes a quorum when all members have been duly invited. Approval or disapproval of the resolutions of the Members' Meeting can, in case of absence, be declared in writing.

Decisions of the Members' Meeting can be made by simple majority of the present members and written statements.

### **§ 7 The Managing Committee**

According to § 26 BGB (German Civil Code), the Managing Committee of the association consists of the presidents and two deputies. They represent the association both judicially and extrajudicially.

### **§ 8 Term of office and resolution of the managing committee**

The Managing Committee is elected by the Members' Meeting for two years, starting from the day of election. Nevertheless, the Managing Committee continues in office even after the expiration of its term of office until the election of a new Managing Committee. The Managing Committee makes its decisions in board meetings which are to be summoned by the president or his/her deputies.

### **§ 9 Recording the resolutions of the institutions of the association**

Minutes have to be kept of all resolutions of the Managing Committee and the Members' Meeting, which are to be signed by the president or his/her deputies and by the keeper of the minutes as elected by the meeting.

**§ 10 Dissolution**

1. Dissolution can only be decided in a particular extraordinary members' meeting summoned for this special purpose at one month's notice and by a three quarter majority of the present members. Liquidation is executed by the managing committee.
2. In case of dissolution or termination of the association, or if its purposes have ceased to exist, its means fall to a similarly tax-privileged and acknowledged association. Resolutions concerning the future use of these means may only be realized after consent of the tax office.