

# **ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

## **Future Slovakia Forum (FSF) Civil Association**

### **FIRST PART GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### **Article 1**

##### **Name and Seat**

1. The name of the civil association is: Future Slovakia Forum (hereinafter referred to as the "association").
2. The association is a non-governmental non-profit organization that brings together natural and legal persons who strive to fulfill the objectives of the association's activities.
3. In official dealings and contractual relations, the association states its name, legal form, seat, and identification number.
4. The seat of the association is: Ľubinská 1631/8, 811 03 Bratislava - Staré Mesto, Slovak Republic.

#### **Article 2**

##### **Legal Personality, Legal Form, and Duration**

1. The association has legal personality.
2. The association is a legal entity.
3. The association has the legal form of a civil association established under Act No. 83/1990 Coll. on the Association of Citizens, as amended (hereinafter referred to as "Act No. 83/1990 Coll.").
4. The association is established for an indefinite period.

#### **Article 3**

##### **Territorial Scope**

1. The territorial scope of the association is not limited.

**Article 4**  
**Objective of Activities**

1. The objective of the association's activities is to support and develop a well-governed society in Slovakia.
2. The objective is achieved by carrying out the main activities of the association.
3. The main activities of the association include:
  - Organizing educational activities and social meetings to support various public policies and allocation of public resources in Slovakia
  - Comprehensive support for the development and awareness of youth on socially important topics
  - Organizing discussion meetings
  - Publishing activities

**SECOND PART**  
**ORGANS OF THE ASSOCIATION**

**Article 5**  
**Introductory Provisions**

1. The organs of the association are the Executive Board and the President.

**First Section**  
**Executive Board**

**Article 6**  
**Composition**

1. The Executive Board is the highest organ of the association and consists of all members of the association.
2. The Executive Board is convened by the President by sending an electronic invitation with a precisely set program to each member of the association at least 7 days before the meeting of the Executive Board.
3. The Executive Board is convened by the President at least once a calendar year.

**Article 7**  
**Powers**

1. The exclusive powers of the Executive Board include:
  - Approving the articles of association and their changes
  - Deciding on the acceptance and exclusion of a member
  - Electing the President

- Being informed about the current state of the association's management, decisions on the association's management, the budget and its changes, and the financial statements
  - Deciding on contract proposals that the association plans to conclude for an indefinite period or for a period exceeding 4 years
  - Deciding on the remuneration for the President
  - Deciding on the introduction or abolition of membership fees and the amount of membership fees
  - Deciding on the dissolution of the association or its merger
  - Deciding on the liquidator in case of liquidation of the association
2. The meetings of the Executive Board are led by the President according to the meeting program.
  3. Minutes of the meetings of the Executive Board are made and signed by the President and the recorder. The meetings of the Executive Board are not public.
  4. The Executive Board may decide to invite third parties to the meeting.
  5. The Executive Board is quorate if a majority of the members of the association are present. The Executive Board makes decisions by a majority of the votes of the members present at the meeting.
  6. Membership in the Executive Board is honorary, and no remuneration or compensation is paid for its performance.
  7. If members of the association perform or provide other activities for the benefit of the association in addition to their membership in the Executive Board, they are entitled to remuneration under conditions individually agreed upon in advance in a written contract with the association.

## **Second Section President**

### **Article 8 Powers**

1. The President is the executive and statutory body of the association and is authorized to act on behalf of the association in all matters.
2. The President acts on behalf of the association independently. Only a member of the association can become the President.
3. The President presides over the meetings of the Executive Board.
4. The President is accountable for his/her activities to the Executive Board.
5. The first President of the association is Mr. Ing. Dávid Bořuta MSc., residing at Ľubinská 1631/8, 811 03 Bratislava - Staré Mesto, born on August 17, 1977, identification number 770817/6058.
6. The President can resign by a written notice delivered to the association.
7. The notice of resignation may state the date on which the President resigns. If an earlier date is stated in the notice than the date of delivery of the notice to the association or no

date is stated, the date of resignation is considered to be the date of delivery of the notice to the association.

8. If the President's position becomes vacant and no new President has been elected, any member of the Executive Board is authorized to convene a meeting of the Executive Board for the purpose of electing a new President.
9. The exclusive powers of the President include:
  - Representing the association, representing its interests in negotiations with state authorities, local government bodies, other public institutions of the Slovak Republic, business entities, and other entities
  - Ensuring the effective functioning of the association's bodies for the purpose of fulfilling the activities and objectives of the association
  - Implementing decisions made by the Executive Board
  - Convening meetings of the Executive Board, setting their agenda, and presiding over them
  - Performing other tasks arising from the articles of association, internal regulations, or decisions of the association's bodies
  - Deciding on the strategic plan of the association's activities to fulfill its objectives, presenting them to the Executive Board
  - Deciding on the management of the association
  - Deciding on the budget and its changes
  - Approving the financial statements
  - Informing the Executive Board about the current state of the association's management, decisions on the association's management, the budget and its changes, and the financial statements
  - Deciding on matters for which it is not specified which organ of the association should perform them and informing the members of the Executive Board about them
10. The President has the right to remuneration in connection with the performance of this function.

### **THIRD PART ASSET MANAGEMENT**

#### **Article 9 Management of the Association**

1. The association's accounting period is one calendar year.
2. The association manages its finances based on an annual budget.
3. The association's income and expenses are planned and coordinated to be balanced or in surplus during the accounting period.
4. The association's income includes, in particular, membership fees, donations, subsidies, grants, income tax shares from individuals and legal entities, income from the association's assets, and other income obtained in accordance with the articles of association, other internal regulations, and generally binding legal regulations.

5. The association's expenses include, in particular, operating costs (personnel costs, costs for the acquisition, use, maintenance, and improvement of movable and immovable property, including payments for services associated with their use) and costs for organizing events.
6. Financial operations are performed by the President and the association's employee to the extent specified in their job description.
7. Handling of financial resources is carried out through cash (cash payment transactions) and a current account (non-cash payment transactions).
8. The association's financial resources are primarily held in a current account at a bank. Cash in the cash register should not exceed €500. Cash payments exceeding €5,000 are prohibited. This prohibition also applies if cash payments are divided into several separate payments but arise from a single legal relationship.
9. The association is obliged to properly keep its accounting in accordance with generally binding legal regulations.
10. The association's accounting is kept by a third party whose business activity includes bookkeeping.
11. The association's accounting is kept in the system of single-entry bookkeeping until the legal conditions for the transition to double-entry bookkeeping are met.
12. The association is obliged to account in such a way that the financial statements provide a true and fair view of the facts that are the subject of accounting and the financial situation of the association.

## **FOURTH PART MEMBERSHIP**

### **Article 6 Introductory Provisions**

1. Membership in the association is voluntary. Any member may leave the association at any time in accordance with the articles of association.
2. Membership in the association expresses the member's support, loyalty, and identification with the objectives, tasks, and operating rules of the association as a civil association.
3. By becoming a member of the association, the member expresses their consent and willingness to respect and fulfill the rights and obligations defined in the articles of association.

### **Article 7 Establishment and Termination of Membership**

1. Any legal entity or any natural person who has reached at least 18 years of age, has full legal capacity, and is of good character can become a member of the association by submitting a written application expressing the intention to become a member of the association and participate in its activities and objectives.
2. Upon receiving a proper application, the President decides whether it is in the association's interest to increase its number of members.

3. If it is decided that it is in the association's interest, the application is included in the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Board.
4. There is no legal right to become a member of the association.
5. A member of the association is obliged to comply with the articles of association, assist in achieving the association's objectives, actively participate in its work according to their conscience, scope of possibilities and abilities, assist the association's bodies, pay membership fees, protect and enhance the association's assets.
6. A member of the association has the right to participate in the association's activities, vote and be elected to the association's bodies, address the association's bodies with suggestions and complaints and request their opinion, be informed about the activities and decisions of the association's bodies.
7. Membership in the association terminates:
  - a) Resignation of the member,
  - b) Expulsion of the member,
  - c) Death of the member or being declared dead in the case of a natural person, and deletion from the relevant register in the case of a legal entity,
  - d) Legal dissolution of the association.
8. A member who wishes to resign from the association must inform the association in writing.
9. In the resignation notice, the resigning member must state the date on which they are leaving the association.
10. If the notice specifies an earlier date than the day of delivery to the association, or if no date is specified, the resignation is considered effective on the day the notice is delivered to the association.

**FIFTH PART**  
**TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS**

**Article 12**  
**Dissolution of the Association**

1. The association may be dissolved by voluntary dissolution or merger with another association, or by a final decision of the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic or the court on its dissolution. In the event of dissolution, asset liquidation is carried out.
2. The dissolution of the association must be notified to the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic within 15 days.
3. In the event of voluntary dissolution without a legal successor, the liquidation of the association's assets is carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Commercial Code on liquidation and § 13 of Act No. 83/1990 Coll., by a liquidator appointed by the Executive Board. If there is no organ to carry out the asset liquidation, the liquidation is carried out by a liquidator appointed by the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic.
4. In the event of dissolution with a legal successor, all assets, liabilities, obligations, and claims from legal relationships are transferred to the legal successor of the association, unless the Executive Board decides otherwise.
5. In the event of dissolution by liquidation, the asset liquidation is carried out by a liquidator appointed by the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic.

6. The Executive Board decides on the distribution of the liquidation balance.

**Article 13**  
**Transitional Provisions**

1. Until the first statutory body is registered in the register of non-governmental non-profit organizations, the association is represented by the authorized representative of the preparatory committee, Mr. Ing. Dávid Bořuta, MSc., residing at Ľubinská 1631/8, 811 03 Bratislava - Staré Mesto, identification number 770817/6058.

**Article 14**  
**Establishment of the Association**

1. The association is established on the day of its registration by the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic.
2. The articles of association become valid and effective on the day of registration of the association.

In Bratislava on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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Signatures: Ing. Dávid Bořuta, MSc. / Ing. Eleonóra Janíková, MSc. / Natália Beliová