

Certified translation from German into English

Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung e.V.
(Hanns-Seidel-Foundation, registered association)

§ 1 Name, Registered Office, Fiscal Year

The Association is called Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung e.V.
The registered office of the association is in Munich
The fiscal year correspond to the calendar year.

§ 2 Purpose of the Association

Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung e.V. shall pursue exclusively and directly non-profit purposes within the meaning of the Chapter “Tax-favoured Purposes” of the German Fiscal Code.

The purposes of the Association are

- a) the promotion of democratic and civic education of the German people based on Christian principles,
- b) the promotion of education, national and professional education including students’ aid in particular by giving access to scientific education for gifted persons of qualified character,
- c) the promotion of science, in particular by means of scientific inquiry and research,
- d) the promotion of an international way of thinking and understanding as well as European unification, in particular by inviting foreign groups and assisting in travel abroad,
- e) the promotion of cultural objectives in particular the promotion of the preservation of monuments,
- f) the promotion of aid and assistance to developing nations.

The statutory purposes shall be realised in particular also by the maintenance and organisation of:

- an academy for political and current affairs,
- an institute for international encounter and co-operation,
- an educational institution for teaching of civic affairs,
- an institute for foreign relations

The association shall carry non profit activities and shall not mainly pursue self-financing endeavours.

§ 3 Membership

Natural and legal persons may become members of the Association. The managing committee shall decide on the application for admission to the Association. The number of members shall be limited to 40.

Membership shall terminate four years after admission. In the absence of any declaration to the contrary by the managing committee it shall be extended for an other four years.

Withdrawal from the association may be effected to the end of the calendar year only.

§ 4 Loss of Membership

By application of the managing committee a member may be expelled from the Association by the general assembly by a majority of votes if there is an important reason. The member concerned shall be heard before the resolution is taken.

§ 5 Organs of the Association

The organs of the Association shall be the general assembly and the managing committee.

§ 6 The Managing Committee

The managing committee shall be elected by the general assembly for the period of four years. It shall consist of the president, two vice presidents, the treasurer, the secretary and at least three members. The members are to represent the various institutions of the Association in the managing committee.

The term of the managing committee shall terminate on the election of new one.

The managing committee shall constitute a quorum if at least four of its members are present. It shall pass resolutions with the majority of the members present. In the event of equality of votes the president shall have casting vote.

The managing committee shall conduct the affairs of the Association and shall administrate its assets. The members of the managing committee may appoint one member of their number to act as executive president. The managing committee shall have all duties unless they are assigned to the general assembly by the Statutes.

The managing committee may appoint a manager to conduct the day to day business.

§ 7 General Assembly

An ordinary general assembly shall be held at least once in a year.

An extraordinary general assembly may be convened by the managing committee if the affairs of the Association so require. It must be convened if one third of the members so request.

The general assembly shall be convened in writing by the president or his deputies, respectively, or by the executive president (§9) by indicating the agenda and keeping a period of invitation of at least three weeks.

The general assembly shall constitute a quorum if at least one third of the members are present. If an assembly has no quorum a new meeting shall be convened-within four weeks- having the same agenda and it shall then constitute a quorum irrespective of the number of members present.

Resolutions by the general assembly shall be recorded in the minutes; the minutes shall be signed by one member of the managing committee and an additional member.

§ 8 Duties of the General Assembly

The general assembly shall in particular have following duties:

1. Acceptance and approval of the business report and of the treasurer's report
2. Formal approval of the managing committee,
3. Election of the managing committee and of the auditor.

§ 9 Representation of the Association

The managing committee within the meaning of § 26 German Civil Code (BGB) shall be represented by the president. His deputies shall be the vice – presidents. The vice-presidents shall only act on behalf of the Association if the president is prevented from acting.

The case of prevention as described under sec. 1 above does not have to be proven.

If an executive president is appointed in accordance with § 6 par. 3 he shall represent the Association. The executive president shall be deputised by the president or the vice president Sect.1, 3rd sent shall apply 'mutatis mutandis'.

If a manager is appointed he shall have power of representation in dealing with the day-to-day business.

§ 10 Raising of Funds

The members of the Association shall pay contributions at their own discretion. The contributions do not have to be paid in money . The funds for the Association's purposes are to be raised by voluntary contributions and grants.

The Association shall set up a group of patrons in which persons may become members who approve of and sponsor the Association's purposes. The managing committee of the Association shall vest the group of patrons with a

constitution providing also for the procedure concerning the commencement and termination of the membership in such a group of patrons.

The funds raised by the group of patrons shall accrue to the Association directly from the patrons for the performance of its tasks in conformity with its Statutes.

§ 11 Guarantee of Non-Profit-making Character

The funds of the Association may be used exclusively for purposes in conformity with the Statutes. The members shall not receive any remuneration out of the funds of the Association.

Nobody shall be allowed to benefit from expenditure which is foreign to the Association's purposes or from disproportionately high remuneration.

Upon the dissolution or termination of the Association or lapse of its present purposes the assets of the Association remaining after liabilities shall accrue in equal shares to *Deutsche Caritasverband* (German association of Roman Catholic charitable organisations) and *Diakonisches Werk-Innere Mission und Hilfswerk-der Evangelischen Kirche in Deutschland* (German association of Protestant charitable organisations) and must be used directly and exclusively for non profit, charitable or ecclesiastical purposes.

The archive shall be left to the *Bayerisches Hauptstaatsarchiv* (Bavarian State Archives)

Resolutions amending the Statutes of the Association under § 2 as well as resolutions concerning the future application of its assets shall, prior to their coming into effect, be submitted for approval to the competent finance authorities so that the Association's non-profit-making character for tax purposes is not jeopardised.

§ 12 Accounting and Auditing

Within the first quarter of a fiscal year the managing committee shall prepare the annual accounts and the annual report for the preceding fiscal year.

The annual accounts shall be audited by an expert auditor.

§ 13 Amendment of Statutes and Dissolution of Association

The amendment of the present Statutes including § 2 and the dissolution of the Association shall require resolutions by a three quarters majority of the general assembly.

§ 14 In all other respects there shall apply the terms and provisions of §§ 27 par. 2 and 3, 28, 32 par.1 and 2 and 33 BGB.

The present Statutes amend the Statutes of November 18, 1968 so as to comply with the rules and provisions of the revised German Fiscal Code and have been adopted with final effect on December 1, 1978 by the general assembly:

§§ 3, 6 and 11 have been amended by resolution of the general assembly of January 11, 1982.

§§ 1, 2 and 11 have been amended by resolution of the general assembly of February 15, 1985.

§ 3 has been amended by resolution of the general assembly of March 18, 1991.

§§ 3 and 11 have been amended by resolution of the general assembly of December 17, 1993

§§ 6, 7, and 9 have been amended by resolution of the general assembly of February 11, 2004.