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| **New Statutes of the association BeVolunteer GA 2017** | **Registered Statutes of the association BeVolunteer****Please note that these statutes are the actual legal ones of BeVolunteer approved by the General Assembly on May 5th, 2007 in Brussels. They are registered in France at la préfecture de Rennes under number W353003546 You can search for the entry here:**[**http://www.journal-officiel.gouv.fr/association/index.php**](http://www.journal-officiel.gouv.fr/association/index.php)**.**([version français](http://www.bevolunteer.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/BV_statuts.pdf))In the following document, the symbols **GA** and **BoD** are used for [General Assembly](http://www.bevolunteer.org/general-assembly/) (GA) and [Board of Directors](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/board-of-directors/) (BoD) respectively. | Notes |
| **Article 1: Name and Jurisdiction**The name of the association is BeVolunteer. It is governed by the French law of July 1, 1901, the decreeof August 16, 1901, and subsequent French and European law and jurisprudence. BeVolunteer isinternational in membership and action. | **Article 1 : Dénomination / name**An association named BeVolunteer and ruled according to the French law of July 1, 1901 and the decree of August 16, 1901 is founded by the members adherent to the present statutes. |  |
| **Article 2: Objectives**The objectives of BeVolunteer are:· to promote the ideas of hospitality and cultural exchange;· to develop, maintain and promote the practice of hospitality and cultural exchange by various means,including projects such as BeWelcome. | **Article 2 : Objet / Object**The objects of the association are to:- promote the ideas of hospitality and cultural exchanges;- develop, maintain and promote the websites of projects supported by BeVolunteer as listed on the site of BeVolunteer;- ensure the voluntary work of all the members of the association and any person participating in the activities of the association will always contribute to achieve its objects;- ensure the voluntary work of all the members of the association and any person participating in the activities of the association remains for non commercial aims. |  |
| **Article 3: Protection of Assets**Certain assets of BeVolunteer and its projects such as BeWelcome are inalienable, that is to say theycannot be sold or transferred in any way to another party, except as defined in Article 14 [Dissolution].These same assets cannot be shared with any outside party, except in the case of specific limited datahaving a direct bearing on safety or security, according to procedures specified in the Rules.These inalienable assets are specifically:· Existing and future communication platforms, along with their domain names, trading names, and othersimilar intellectual property.· Member databases, profiles, and any associated lists of persons.· Other assets designated by the GA.Software used is by principle open-source, and as such is not property that may be owned, or transferredfor profit.The BoD will make every effort to maintain permanent ownership of the inalienable assets.Modification of the present Article 3 [Protection of Assets] is subject to the special provisions defined inArticle 13 [Modification of the Statutes]. Special provisions concerning inalienable assets are alsocontained in Article 14 [Dissolution]. |  |  |
| **[Article 4: Means] removed** |  |  |
| **Article 5: Duration**The duration of BeVolunteer is unlimited. | **Article 3 : Durée / Duration**The duration of the association is indefinite. |  |
| **Article 6: Registered Legal Address**The legal address of BeVolunteer is designated in the document of declaration. It may be transferred bydecision of the Board of Directors. | **Article 4 : Siège social / Head office**The head office of the association is initially defined in its document of declaration (declaration document) and taken up in its special register in accordance with the legislation. It can be transferred by simple decision of the [Board of Directors](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/board-of-directors/).The legal location of the head office of the association can be transferred following a decision by the board of directors. It is fixed initially in the document of declaration of the association. |  |
|  | **Article 5 : Moyens d’action / Means of action**The means of the association are, notably, as far as they contribute to the objects of the association:websites or other Internet related supports;publications, conferences, meetings, through any means of communication;permanent or occasional sales of any product or service; |  |
| **Article 7: Members****Article 7.1: Conditions for Membership**Any physical person contributing to the objectives of BeVolunteer or one of its projects, such as BeWelcome, may apply to become a member of BeVolunteer. Application for membership, by a processdefined in the Rules, shall be made to the Board of Directors, who can approve or reject membership asspecified in the Rules. The applicant concerned shall have right of appeal to a subsequent General Assembly, which may grant them membership. Requirements for becoming a member cannot includediscriminatory criteria such as gender, origin, family situation, physical appearance, name, disability,genetic characteristics, customs, sexual orientation, ethnicity, nationality, or religion. | **Article 6 : Membership**The association consists of physical persons. |  |
| **Article 7.2: Categories of Members**There are three categories of members: Full Members, New Members, and Honorary Members.**Full Members** are physical persons who have full rights to vote in the General Assembly and to beelected to the Board of Directors, and other rights defined in the Rules.**New Members** are members with less than 12 months of membership. They do not yet have full memberrights. During the first three months of membership New Members cannot vote at a General Assembly orbe elected to the Board of Directors. During the first twelve months of membership New Members cannotvote in the General Assembly on articles 13 (Modification of the Statutes) or 14 (Dissolution) of thepresent statutes.**Honorary Members** may be appointed by the Board of Directors or the General Assembly to recognisetheir contributions to BeVolunteer or its objectives. They are typically previous or existing Full Memberswho have made significant contributions to BeVolunteer or one of its projects, and who wish to withdrawfrom activity while retaining a connection with BeVolunteer. They may also be non-members whosupport BeVolunteer’s aims or activities. Honorary Membership does not confer voting rights or any otherrights or privileges. | **Article 6.1 : Members**The association consists of active, supportive and honorary members.**Active members:** An active member is a physical person who has full rights to vote in the [General Assembly](http://www.bevolunteer.org/general-assembly/), be elected to the [Board of Directors](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/board-of-directors/) and other rights defined in the [rules and regulations](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/rules-and-regulations/), exceptduring the first three months of membership, during which the member can’t vote in the General Assembly nor be elected to the Board of Directors;during the first twelve months of membership, during which the member can’t vote in the General Assembly to any subject related to the article 10 of the present statutes;**Supportive and Honorary Members:** Supportive and Honorary Members are members who support the association but have neither a right to vote in the [General Assembly](http://www.bevolunteer.org/general-assembly/) nor a right to be elected to the [Board of Directors](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/board-of-directors/). Conditions to obtain either of these statuses are defined in the [rules and regulations](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/rules-and-regulations/). |  |
| **Article 7.3: Maintaining Membership - VERSION A**To maintain Full Membership, continuing contribution to the objectives of BeVolunteer must bemade, consisting at least of participating in GA voting or some minimal level of volunteering.Once a year, before the annual Ordinary General Assembly, Full Members are asked, upon or beforeregistering for the GA, if they wish to:· maintain Full Membership with the right to participate in GA votes;· suspend their membership;· resign.If no reply is received from the member, membership is suspended.**Article 7.3: Maintaining Membership - VERSION B**Once a year, before the annual Ordinary General Assembly, Full Members are asked, upon or beforeregistering for the GA, if they wish to:· maintain Full Membership with the right to participate in GA votes;· suspend their membership;· resign.If no reply is received from the member, membership is suspended.**Article 7.4: Suspension of Membership - VERSION A**Members on suspension, whether voluntary or imposed, have no voting rights in BeVolunteer and are notcounted when calculating any quorum.Membership can be suspended as follows:· voluntarily by the member;· by the BoD or GA, if the conditions in Article 7.3 are not met;· by the BoD through failure to renew Full Membership.At any time members may voluntarily suspend their membership by simple notification to the Board ofDirectors in writing, including by electronic means. The suspension takes effect immediately. Themember may lift this voluntary suspension by simple notification or must renew it after 12 months. Ifthe suspension is neither lifted nor renewed by the member after 12 months, membership may belost and the member must apply again for membership, under a simplified process defined in theRules.At any time, the BoD or the GA may re-instate the membership with immediate effect. The suspendedmember has the right of appeal to a subsequent General Assembly, which may re-instate membership withimmediate effect, uphold the suspension, or convert the suspension to an exclusion.**Article 7.4: Suspension of Membership - VERSION B**Members on suspension have no voting rights in BeVolunteer and are not counted when calculating anyquorum.Membership can be suspended as follows:· voluntarily by the member;· by the GA;· by failure to reply as described in Article 7.3.At any time a member may voluntarily suspend their membership by simple notification to the Board ofDirectors in writing, including by electronic means. The suspension takes effect immediately. Themember may lift this voluntary suspension by simple notification.The General Assembly may suspend membership while considering whether sufficient grounds forloss of membership exist. At any time, the BoD or the GA may re-instate the membership withimmediate effect. The suspended member has the right of appeal to a subsequent General Assembly,which may re-instate membership with immediate effect, uphold the suspension, or convert thesuspension to an exclusion. | **Article 6.2 : Conditions d’adhésion / Conditions of membership**Any person willing to contribute to the objects of the association and meeting the conditions defined in the rules and regulations (Art. 7) can become an active member of the association. The membership is to be requested to the [Board of Directors](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/board-of-directors/), who can approve or reject it without having to justify their decision.The requirements to become an active member can not contain discrimination criteria like: sex, origin, family situation, physical appearance, name, handicap, genetic characteristics, customs, sexual orientation, ethnicity, belonging to a nation or a religion (art. 225-1 du Code pÃ©nal). |  |
| **Article 7.5: Loss of Membership - VERSION A**Membership may end by:· death or incapacity of the member;· written resignation sent to the Board of Directors;· failure to renew membership for two consecutive years;· failure to renew voluntary suspension for two consecutive years;· exclusion for serious cause.The detailed process for renewing membership and voluntary suspensions is described in the Rules.Exclusion for serious cause is effective immediately upon notification by the Board of Directors. Themember concerned has the right of appeal to a subsequent General Assembly. If their appeal is successful,the member is re-instated immediately, and regains all their previous rights in BeVolunteer.**Article 7.5: Loss of Membership - VERSION B**Membership may end by:· death or incapacity of the member;· written resignation sent to the Board of Directors;· exclusion for serious cause.The detailed process for renewing membership and voluntary suspensions is described in the Rules.Exclusion for serious cause is effective immediately upon notification by the Board of Directors or theGeneral Assembly. The member concerned has the right of appeal to a subsequent GA. If their appeal issuccessful, the member is re-instated immediately, and regains all previous rights in BeVolunteer.**Article 7.6: Appeals Process**Applicants and members have the right to appeal decisions concerning their membership to the GeneralAssembly.Appeals to the General Assembly for refusal, suspension, or loss of membership will be the first order ofbusiness, allowing re-instated members to exercise their membership rights. Membership first grantedunder appeal begins upon approval by the GA. | **Article 6.3 : Perte de la qualité de membre / Loss of the membership**Membership is cancelled by:death of the member;written resignation sent to the [Board of Directors](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/board-of-directors/);expulsion for serious motive. It will be confirmed by the [General Assembly](http://www.bevolunteer.org/general-assembly/);The Board of Directors can suspend provisionally until the next General Assembly the rights of a member in the association for serious reasons, after acquainting themselves with the explanations of the member, who will receive a written justified summoning. The General Assembly following the suspension has to confirm the exclusion or cancel it; in the latter case the members regain all their previous rights in the association. |  |
| **Article 8: Rules**Established by the Board of Directors, the Rules define the method of execution of the present statutesand complete them with provisions that contribute to the good governance of BeVolunteer.Modifications to the Rules take effect as soon as they are published by the Board of Directors. At the nextGeneral Assembly, modifications will be submitted for approval. If neither the modifications nor analternative text are approved, the Rules revert to the most recent version previously approved by a GA.In any conflict between the Statutes and the Rules, the Statutes prevail, and any Rules that contradict theStatutes are invalid. | **\*Article 7 : Règlement intérieur / Rules and regulations**Rules and Regulations will be established by the [BoD](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/board-of-directors/) and approved by the [GA](http://www.bevolunteer.org/general-assembly/) in order to define the method of execution of the present statutes. They are valid as soon as they are published by the BoD. Any changes in these regulations have to be accepted by the next GA.These regulations apply to all the members of the association. |  |
| **Article 9: Structure**The administrative organs of BeVolunteer are:· the General Assembly (GA)· the Board of Directors (BoD) | **Article 8 : Structure / Structure**The organs of the association are:the [General Assembly](http://www.bevolunteer.org/general-assembly/) (GA)the [Board of Directors](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/board-of-directors/) (BoD) |  |
| **Article 10: General Assembly**The General Assembly [GA] is the supreme organ of BeVolunteer. All BeVolunteer members can takepart. Powers statutorily attributed to the Board of Directors are not reserved to the BoD, but also held bythe GA. The right to vote in the General Assembly is defined in Article 7 [Members]. | **Article 8.1 : The General Assembly**The General Assembly (GA) includes all the members as explained in Article 6.The GA is the supreme organ of the association.The GA can meet physically or by other means of communication deemed appropriate by the BoD. The rules of organization of GA will be set in the [rules and regulations](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/rules-and-regulations/).**Power of the General Assembly**Their scope of activity includes:the election of the BoD;the revision and amendment of the statutes of the association in accordance with article 10 of the present statutes;approval of the activity of the past period, and setting the objectives for the coming one.They may confer to the BoD any authorization required to carry out operations within the remit of the association and for which their statutory powers would be insufficient.Every member of the association can nominate another member of their choice to represent them. The deputy can represent no more than one person other than himself. |  |
| **Article 10.1: Organisation of General Assemblies**The General Assembly can meet physically or by other means of communication deemed appropriate bythe Board of Directors, including online attendance and voting. Preparation and organization of the GAshall be defined by the BoD in the Rules, but, in all cases, it must be ensured that members who have theright to vote are able to do so. All members defined in Article 7 in the Statutes will be given at least onemonth’s notification, at their contact details of record, of any forthcoming General Assembly.Participants in BeVolunteer projects such as BeWelcome may be admitted to General Assemblies, spacepermitting, except when considering confidential matters requiring the protection of privacy.The Secretary of BeVolunteer is responsible for ensuring that the proceedings of the General Assembly,together with any voting, are recorded. Such records must be validated by the incoming BoD andpublished at the latest one month after the General Assembly.Every Full Member of BeVolunteer can nominate another member of their choice to represent them andto cast votes on their behalf. This deputy can represent no more than one other person.Article 10.2: Scope of the General AssemblyThe General Assembly is responsible for:- electing the Board of Directors;- considering any appeals under the Statutes of BeVolunteer;- revising and amending the Statutes of BeVolunteer in accordance with Article 13 of the present statutes;- receiving and approving reports;- approving activity from the preceding term, and the objectives for the coming one;- approving the annual financial report and next year's budget;- approving major changes in policy or strategic direction needed to meet BeVolunteer’s objectives;- considering other matters brought before it.The General Assembly may confer on the Board of Directors any authorization required to carry outoperations within the objectives of BeVolunteer and for which their statutory powers would beinsufficient. |  |  |
| **Article 10.3: Ordinary General Assembly**The Board of Directors shall organize an Ordinary General Assembly [oGA] on a regular basis, at leastonce every calendar year.An Ordinary General Assembly is deemed quorate and capable of taking decisions on general business,providing that at least one quarter (25%) of the total number of BeVolunteer members eligible to vote areparticipating or represented. | **Article 8.1.1 : Assemblée générale ordinaire / Ordinary General Assembly**The ordinary GA meets at least once a year after notification (at least one month in advance) by the Executive Delegate of the BoD. |  |
| **Article 10.4: Extraordinary General Assembly**An Extraordinary General Assembly [eGA] is convened by the Executive Officer of the Board ofDirectors:- at the request of at least one quarter (25%) of the Full Members of BeVolunteer,- OR at the request of the Board of Directors.If the Executive Officer is unavailable, other members of the BoD convene and organize the eGA. If nomember of the BoD is available, any member of BeVolunteer can take over the task of convening andorganizing the eGA. | **Article 8.1.2 : Assemblée générale extraordinaire / Extraordinary General Assembly**The extraordinary GA meets when convoked by the Executive Delegate of the BoD:at the request of at least one quarter of the active members of the association;at the request of the BoD. |  |
| **Article 10.5: Ordinary and Extraordinary General Assembly: Majorities**In order to be quorate and capable of decisions on certain specified matters, such as changes to theStatutes or dissolution of BeVolunteer, the quorum is as defined in Articles 13 and 14 of the Statutes.All votes are decided by an absolute majority (more than 50%) of those members eligible to vote who areparticipating or represented at the General Assembly, with the exception of decisions on those itemswhere the quorum and/or majority are specifically defined in Articles 13 and 14 of these Statutes. | **Article 8.1.3 : Assemblée générale ordinaire et extraordinaire / Ordinary and extraordinary General Assembly: majorities**All votes are by absolute majority. |  |
| **Article 10.6: Ordinary General Assembly - Absence of Quorum**In the absence of quorum being reached at an oGA, and in order to not block all ordinary business ofBeVolunteer, an eGA will be convoked in the same manner as under the present Article 10.1. This eGAwill take place no less than one month and no more than two months after the scheduled beginning of theoriginal non-quorate oGA. The outgoing BoD remains in place until the election of a new BoD.In the case of such a re-convoked oGA, every attempt will be made to reach quorum. However, in theabsence of quorum, the members participating and represented can proceed with the ordinary business ofthe oGA, including election of a new BoD, but specifically excluding matters covered by Article 13[Modification of the Statutes] or Article 14 [Dissolution]. |  |  |
| **Article 11: Board of Directors**The Board of Directors [BoD] is the executive organ of BeVolunteer. The activities of BeVolunteer, andany projects such as BeWelcome, are managed by the BoD. The Board of Directors is elected annually bythe General Assembly from among the members of BeVolunteer to serve until the next BoD is elected bythe GA. All holders of power of signature are designated by the Board of Directors, which alsodetermines the extent of such power.The Board of Directors must have a minimum of three members. If fewer than three candidates receivethe required number of votes at the GA and a new BoD cannot be formed, or if, through resignation orremoval, the number of Board members falls below three, a General Assembly must be convened withinthree months to elect additional members. | **Article 8.2 : Conseil d’administration / Board of Directors**The association is steered by a Board of Directors (BoD) elected by the GA. The BoD is the executive organ of the association. |  |
| **Article 11.1: Eligibility and Election**Any person who has been a member of BeVolunteer for more than 3 months is eligible to become acandidate for the Board of Directors. To be elected, a candidate must receive more than 50% of the votesof those members eligible to vote who are participating or represented at the General Assembly. | **Article 8.2.2 : Eligibility**As described in article 6. |  |
| **Article 11.2: Meetings**The Board of Directors meets as often as necessary in the interests of BeVolunteer. Meetings can bescheduled in advance or can be convened at the request of the Executive Officer or of at least three BoDmembers. Attendance at BoD meetings may be in person or by other means of communication.Any member of the Board of Directors may choose another member of the BoD to represent them. Thisdeputy can represent no more than one other member.Decisions are made by an absolute majority (more than 50%) of the present or represented BoD members.If votes are equally divided, the Executive Officer casts the deciding vote. | **Article 8.2.3 : Decision Making**Every member of the board can nominate a member of the BoD of their choice to represent them. The deputy can represent no more than one person other than himself/herself.The BoD can meet physically or by other means of communication. The rules of organization of BoD meetings are set in the [rules and regulations](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/rules-and-regulations/).The BoD meet every time the interest of the association requires it. Meetings are decided by either a request of the Executive Delegate, a request of at least three of its members or the schedule of the last meeting. The BoD will use any appropriate means to discuss and take the decisions necessary for the association.Decisions are taken with the absolute majority of the present and represented members. If the vote is equal, the Executive Delegate has the casting vote. The decisions taken during regular meetings and discussions, for example through email discussions or internet conferences, can integrate the vote of absent members who have transmitted their opinion on decisions proposed by the agenda to the Executive Delegate or another member of the BoD. |  |
| **Article 11.3: Duties of the Board of Directors**The duties of the Board of Directors BoD include:· formulating policies and strategies to meet the objectives of BeVolunteer;· managing the activities of BeVolunteer and its projects, such as BeWelcome, in accordance with theobjectives of BeVolunteer and the policy decisions of the General Assembly;· applying the decisions of the GA and making any formal administrative decisions needed between twoassemblies;· overseeing the work of the volunteer teams;· managing the financial affairs of BeVolunteer;· proposing the budget for the next financial year for approval by the General Assembly;· approving or rejecting applications for membership in BeVolunteer;· reviewing, suspending or cancelling membership in BeVolunteer, in accordance with the Statutes;· publishing and maintaining a set of Rules as defined in Article 8;· organising at least one General Assembly per year;· organising Extraordinary General Assemblies, if required. | **Article 8.2.4 : Pouvoir du conseil d’administration / Power of the Board of Directors**The scope of activity of the BoD is:to be the forum of discussion of the association where the positions concerning the future of the association and the declarations that could be made for this purpose are determined;to decide on the suspension of a membership if needed;to decide on the issue of potential conflicts;to apply the decisions of the GA and to take any administrative formal decision needed between two reunions of this assembly;to work out and apply the internal regulations to be approved by the GAto receive and manage the budget and the annual accounts of the association;to propose the budget for the next financial year to be approved by the GA;xxxxxto approve or reject the membership of new membersto organize at least one GA per year or take care it is being organized by other members of the association |  |
|  | **Article 8.2.1 : Composition**The number of members of the BoD is set in the [rules and regulations](http://www.bevolunteer.org/about-bevolunteer/rules-and-regulations/). Every voting member can cast a maximum number of votes equal to the available number of seats.In case of a vacancy in one of its seats, it stays free until the next GA (ordinary or extraordinary).The BoD can appoint consultative members, members of the association and/or third parties. |  |
| **Article 11.4: Officers of BeVolunteer**At the first meeting following a General Assembly, the Board of Directors elects, from among itsmembers, several officers with specific responsibilities. These officers include at minimum an ExecutiveOfficer, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, with duties as follows:**Executive Officer**The Executive Officer [EO] represents the Board of Directors and is bound by its decisions. The EOrepresents BeVolunteer in all acts of civil or administrative life, and if necessary, in justice. The EO ortheir representative is responsible for all legal formalities of declaration and publication in accordancewith French and European law.In the case of temporary or permanent incapacity, the Executive Officer is replaced temporarily by a vice-Executive Officer, or in the absence of a vEO, by the Secretary or another member of the BoD. TheReplacement EO holds full EO powers until the EO returns or the BoD names a successor.**Secretary**The Secretary is responsible for correspondence, drafting and publishing minutes of BoD and GAmeetings, record-keeping, and maintaining any archives. In case of absence, the Secretary is replaced byanother member of the BoD.**Treasurer**The Treasurer manages the financial affairs of BeVolunteer. The Treasurer makes any payments andreceives any revenue under the supervision of the Executive Delegate Officer, keeps an account of alltransactions, makes regular reports to the Board of Directors, and prepares an annual budget report for theGeneral Assembly. In case of absence, the Treasurer is replaced by another member of the BoD. | **Article 8.2.5 : Délégués / Delegates**In order to make the management of the association easier, the Board of Directors chooses from among its members several delegates with a specific mission. The content of the mission of a delegate will be the object of a description approved by the BoD. The BoD can choose as many delegates as needed.Three main delegates are identified: an Executive delegate, a Treasurer delegate, a Secretary delegate. If necessary, assistants can also be appointed. The BoD can at any point of time assign a specific mission as a delegate to one of its members.**Executive Delegate**The Executive Delegate holds the power of representation and signature in the name of the association, represents the association in all the acts of civil or administrative life, and in justice, if necessary. The Executive Delegate represents the executive organ of the association (BoD), and so can not take a decision without the validation of the BoD. In case of temporary or permanent incapacity, the Executive delegate is temporarily replaced by a vice-Executive delegate, or the Secretary Delegate, who in this case holds the same powers, until the BoD names a new Executive Delegate.**Secretary Delegate**The secretary is in charge of all correspondence and the archives. The Secretary Delegate is helped in his tasks by the assistant secretary if there is one. They draft the minutes of the meetings. In case of absence, they are replaced by a member of the BoD.**Treasurer Delegate**The treasurer is in charge of the management of the patrimony of the association. The treasurer makes any payments and receives any revenue under the supervision of the Executive delegate, keeps a regular account of all transactions and reports to the BoD which verifies the management of the finances. In case of absence, the treasurer is replaced by a member of the BoD. |  |
| **Article 11.5: Remuneration and Reimbursement**Members of the Board of Directors receive no remuneration for this function.Expenses incurred in activity on behalf of BeVolunteer may be reimbursed in certain circumstances,providing this has been agreed in advance by the BoD, and that documentary evidence of such costs arepresented to the Treasurer. Reimbursements will, if possible, be avoided. In particular, transportation oraccommodation costs will only be incurred in exceptional circumstances. | **Article 8.2.6 : Rémunération – remboursement / Payment – reimbursement**The board directors can not receive payment in any form for their function. The GA can decide to permit the members of the BoD to be entitled to the reimbursement of their expenses on presentation of documentary evidence, and with the agreement of the Executive delegate. Each refund must be approved by the Executive delegate, under the control of the BoD.Reimbursements will be, if possible, avoided. The aim of this article is to absolutely prevent reimbursing transport or accommodation costs. |  |
| **Article 11.6: Resignation and Removal**A BoD member may resign by written notification to the Secretary or to the Executive Officer.In the case of serious misconduct, BoD members can be removed from their functions by an eGAconvoked for this purpose. | **Article 8.2.7 : Resignation and Removal**A BoD member can resign from his functions by written request to a BoD delegate.In case of serious misconduct, a BoD member can be suspended from his functions. This request should be taken by the BoD or a GA (ordinary or exceptional, with normal ways of convocation). The suspension takes effect at the moment of its request. |  |
| **Article 12: Resources**The resources of BeVolunteer include:· donations and legacies;· other contributions by members and non-members;· subsidies granted by national or international institutions, or local authorities;· grants or awards from private organisations;· revenue from services rendered, goods sold, and entrance fees;· other sources consistent with the objectives of the association. | **Article 9 : Ressources / Resources**The resources of the association include:the contributions of its members and entrance fees if required;subsidies which could be granted by the international institutions, national institutions or local authorities;sums received in return of services rendered or goods sold;donations and legacies;whatever is not forbidden by the laws and the current regulations in the European Union. |  |
| **Article 13: Modification of the Statutes**These Statutes can be modified only by an Extraordinary General Assembly which has been summonedespecially for this purpose and which must represent at least half (50%) of the members of BeVolunteereligible to vote. Any modification must be confirmed by a favourable vote of three quarters (75%) ofthose BeVolunteer voting members participating or represented at the Extraordinary General Assembly.Furthermore, Article 3 (Protection of Assets) of these Statutes can be modified only by a favourable voteon an identical text in two consecutive GAs, the second of which must take place no less than six monthsafter the first. | **Article 10 : Modification des statuts / Modification of statutes**The statutes can be modified only by a [GA](http://www.bevolunteer.org/general-assembly/)summoned especially for this purpose. The modification will be confirmed by a favourable vote of three quarters (3/4) of the present and represented voting members, which must represent at least half (1/2) of the voting members of the association. |  |
| **Article 14: Dissolution**Dissolution of BeVolunteer can be decided only by an Extraordinary General Assembly summonedspecifically for this purpose and with a quorum of at least half (50%) of the Full Members of BeVolunteereligible to vote. Dissolution requires a favourable vote by three quarters (75%) of those membersparticipating or represented at the Extraordinary General Assembly and who are eligible to vote.Upon dissolution:· in order to prevent recuperation of BeVolunteer’s domain names, including those of its projects, thesewill be renewed for the maximum feasible period of time and thus rendered unusable;· in order to prevent recuperation of BeVolunteer’s registered trademarks, logos and other legallyprotectedintellectual property, including those of its projects, these will be placed under stewardship for aperiod of five years, and thus rendered unusable;· BeVolunteer databases will be deleted, including those of BeVolunteer projects such as BeWelcome;· BeVolunteer’s other assets will be transferred to UNESCO. | **Article 11 : Dissolution / Dismantling**The dismantling of the association has to be agreed on by at least three quarters (3/4) of voting members present and represented at the [General Assembly](http://www.bevolunteer.org/general-assembly/), which must represent at least half (1/2) of the voting members of the association. The assets are then transferred to the UNESCO. The assets are allocated according to article 9 of the French law of July 1st, 1901 and to the decree of August 16th, 1901. |  |
| **[Article 15: Administrative Formalities** [Agreed Text] >>>> shared to BV group but added to Article on BoDThe Executive Officer or their representative is responsible for all legal formalities of declaration andpublication in accordance with French law.] | **Article 12 : Formalités administratives / Administrative formalities**The Executive delegate or his representative is appointed to carry out all the statutory formalities of declaration and publication in accordance with the French law of July 1st, 1901 and the decree of August 16th, 1901, both at the time of the creation of the association and during its entire existence. |  |
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