

EuTEACH FOUNDATION

(European Training in Effective Adolescent Care and Health)

Statutes

Article 1

Name Under the name EuTEACH (European Training in Effective Adolescent Care and Health) Foundation, a Foundation is constituted, in accordance with art. 80 & following of the Swiss Civil Code.

Article 2

Head The head/offices of the Foundation is in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Article 3

Mission The mission of the Foundation is to improve *adolescent health and development*, in Europe and elsewhere in the world, through setting up and developing a series of initiatives (scientific seminars, websites and pedagogic facilities, training courses, programmes of assistance & support, setting of structures, etc.) by:

- defining and setting quality standards for the education and training of professionals working in the field;
- supporting the organization of training courses and the creation of adolescent friendly services and structures;
- promoting regional, national and international inter sectorial collaboration and networking of professionals involved in the improvement of adolescent health and development;
- strengthening and sustaining advocacy for adolescent health and development, towards public health professionals, policy makers, politicians and the media – on an international basis.

Article 4

Foundation's patrimony The Foundation's resources are raised and secured through the capital endowment's revenues on one hand, and by additional contributions from the founders, by donations, legacy and by fund raising activities.

The initial capital available and provided by the founders is 10'000 Sfr. Plus the value of the website, which is estimated at 100'000 Sfr. This amount will be increased by donations made to the founders and which will become effective as soon as the present Foundation is fully constituted.

The initial capital of 10'000 Sfr. should be maintained, and only the extra revenues or profits/sums raised will be devoted to achieving the Foundation's aim, as defined by the above mentioned article 3.

Article 5

Foundation's council The Foundation is managed and lead by a Foundation council, made up of five members, living in Switzerland or elsewhere in the world and appointed by the founders. At least one of the council's members must be of Swiss nationality and living in Switzerland. The majority of the council's members can decide, anytime, to increase the number of members of the Foundation's council to nine. The council's new members are chosen by cooptation.

The council is the Foundation's supreme organ. It organizes itself and appoints its president and secretary from among its members. The activities of the members are voluntary. Only current expenses as needed by the activities of the council are reimbursed, as described in the Foundation's regulations.

Article 6

Council's meeting and decisions To be in quorate, the council must consult and obtain the vote from the majority of its members. If there is an equality of votes for and against a motion, then the president shall have the deciding vote.

The decisions of the council can be made through conferences, tele-conferences and e-mail exchanges. They are to be transcribed in due form into written minutes, signed by both the president and the secretary.

Article 7

Council's competences The Foundation's council shall establish its internal regulations. It takes all decisions pertaining to the Foundation's aims and objectives. The council is free to manage the Foundation's resources in order to fulfill its general aim. However it should, under no circumstances, use an amount that exceeds the Foundation's revenues, unless the initial Foundation's capital of 10'000 Sfr. is maintained.

The Foundation's council decides who has the right to sign the Foundation's documents and to represent the Foundation. It approves the annual financial balance of the Foundation.

Article 8

Responsibilities The Foundation's patrimony is the only respondent to the Foundation's commitments. The Council's members are not personally responsible for the commitments made by the Foundation.

Article 9

Accountancy The Foundation's financial year finishes on December 31st each year. An independent outside auditor with all the necessary professional requirements will be asked to control the accountancy and deliver the yearly balance.

Article 10

Revision organ The council will designate a suitably qualified trustee, who will be responsible for checking the Foundation's accounts and will also be responsible for producing an appropriate financial report to the council's members. The control organ must further verify that the Foundation's activities fulfill its aim, in accordance with its statutes. It will be responsible for identifying any problems arising in the running of the Foundation's activities. If the situation is not improved over a specified time period, then the control organ informs the surveillance authorities responsible for the proper running of the organisation.

Article 11

Statutes' modification The council has the right to modify the Foundation's statutes, provided the decision is taken by all members, and as long as the Foundation's aim is preserved.

Any modification of the statutes must be submitted to the surveillance authority for approval.

Article 12

Foundation's dissolution According to the Federal law (art 88 SCC), the Foundation will be dissolved if (1) the resources are exhausted, or (2) if the Foundation's aims can no longer be achieved. In the event of dissolution, the capital of the Foundation will be transferred to a non-profit making institution which pursues the same aim as the Foundation. The funds will in no way be restored to the members or their heirs.

Article 13

Foundation's surveillance The Foundation's activities will be kept under the surveillance of the Federal Home Department. All the regulations and all their modification must be submitted to its authority for previous approval.

Article 14

Applicable law Being statutorily based and managed in Switzerland, the Foundation will operate in accordance with Swiss law.

Article 15

Registration in the commercial register The Foundation is registered in the commercial register of the canton of Vaud.

The founders hereby designate as members of the Foundation's council:

Prof. Pierre-André Michaud, Président
Dr. Joan-Carles Suris, Vice Président
Dr. Venkatraman Chandra-Mouli, Member

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The validity of the present statutes are subject to ratification by the surveillance authority, which is, in this case, the Federal Home Department.

The Foundation's council will ask for the registration in the commercial register of the EuTEACH Foundation, as set up on this day.