



Feldenkrais Network International e.V.

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To provide correct language understanding for the members from Switzerland the statutes and regulations were adapted to Swiss language usage.

Articles of Association/Statutes

§ 1 Name of the Association

The association is called Feldenkrais Network International e.V. and is located in Würzburg/DE. It pursues solely and directly objectives of public benefits referring to the chapter “tax privileged purposes” of the tax regulations.

§ 2 Location of the Association

The association is located in Würzburg and is registered in the Register of Associations.

§ 3 Fiscal year

Fiscal year is the calendar year and ranging from 01.01 to 31.12. of the current year.

§ 4 Goals and purposes

- 4.1 The association Feldenkrais Network International e.V. is a non-profit organization within the meaning of section 52 (1) no.7 AO; it promotes education, popular and vocational training. It realizes his association purpose in particular through:
- > Development of guidelines for the recognition of Feldenkrais trainers and Feldenkrais teachers (national and international)
 - > Development of training guidelines for training as a Feldenkrais coach and Feldenkrais teacher (national and international)
 - > Organization of courses and courses for the training of Feldenkrais coaches and Feldenkrais teachers (national and international)
 - > Mediation and organization of further training at regional and international level and in the framework of general meetings
 - > Support the professional exchange of Feldenkrais teachers
 - > Creation of a platform for exchange via a website and / or via newsletter
 - > Support from the association in the implementation and compliance with data protection regulations in Switzerland, the EU area and internationally

When the association is dissolved, the association's capital, after deduction of all fees and expenses necessary for the dissolution, goes to the following institution:

Matham-A Model Village of Sierra Leone

Association to promote the first construction of a school center, from kindergarten to vocational school. So far, a middle school and a high school have been built.

Similar projects are to be supported, which involve education and learning.



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§ 5 Membership

- 5.1. Every Feldenkrais Practitioner trained according to our Training-, Education Regulations and supporting the purposes mentioned in Nr. 4 can become full member.
- 5.2. Associated members/ passive members may be:
 - a) Students of the Feldenkrais Method complying with the Training and Education Schedule or members who do not comply with the Training Schedule.
 - b) Supporters/ patrons
- 5.3. Associated Members have the same rights and obligations as the Full Member with the following exceptions:
 - They cannot be elected into the Board
 - They have no vote and suffrage
 - They are not listed on the List of Practitioners (Homepage)
- 5.4. The membership is terminated by withdrawal, exclusion or death and if membership fees have not been paid for a period of 2 years. All authorities and offices end automatically when the membership ends.
- 5.5. Retired or excluded members have no claim to the assets of the association.
- 5.6. The exclusion from the association shall be explained in writing and is possible any time prior to the end of the fiscal year.
- 5.7. A member can be excluded from the association by order of another member or organ if the member had either
 - seriously violated the purpose of the association in a significant way
 - repeatedly violated the statutes or regulations i.e. interests of the association or acted against resolutions and/or regulations of the association's bodies or
 - behaves dishonourably in active and inactive association matters or
 - loses the right to hold public office (§45 StGB).
- 5.8. Against the exclusion decision a written invocation of the General Meeting is permitted. Final judgment can be given during the next General Meeting.
- 5.9. The resignation of a member has to be made in writing to the Board any time before the end of the fiscal year and will take effect at the end of the current fiscal year.

§ 6 Organs of the Association

- 6.1. The organs of the association are:
 - a) The Board
 - b) The General Meeting



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§ 7 General Meeting

- 7.1. The general meeting takes place once a year in the first five months of the financial year, either as a live meeting or online, and is convened by the board of directors in writing, either as an electronic document or by post, with a notice period of 6 weeks.
- 7.2. Extraordinary general meetings must be held if the board deems it necessary in the interest of the association or if at least one-third of the voting members request such a meeting, stating the reasons. The board will issue invitations in writing, either electronically or by mail, at least two weeks in advance.
- 7.3. Decisions are to be passed by simple majority of Full Members present. Every member has one vote, abstentions are considered no-votes.
- 7.4. Convened general meetings are quorate regardless of the number of members present, even if the meetings take place online.
- 7.5. A called General Meeting performs the following tasks:
 - Election of the 1st and 2nd chairman
 - Election of the cashier/ accountant
 - Election of two auditors/revisers
 - Determination of annual fees
 - Decisions on articles of the association, change of statutes
 - Decisions on dissolution of the association
- 7.6. A protocol has to be taken of every membership session, which has to be signed by the secretary.

§ 8 Board of the Association

- 8.1. According to §26 BGB the Board consists of at least three and at the most five persons. - The first chairman/ president:
 - The first chairman/ president
 - The second chairman/vice-president
 - The Cassier /auditor
- 8.2. The association is represented in court and out of court by the first chairman/president only or by the representing chairman and the cashier/auditor represented as a couple.
- 8.3. The members of the Board are elected for a period of 3 years. A re-election is acceptable.
- 8.4. In case a member of the committee or the Board resigns the General Meeting can elect a spare member.
- 8.5. The Board decides on the inclusion and exclusion of the members.
- 8.6. The Board controls the compliance of the purposes of the association and reports to the General Meeting annually in writing.
- 8.7. The Board decides in board meetings by resolutions made with simple majority of the members present.
- 8.8. The board organizes and controls the work of the



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§ 9 Treasury Management

- 9.1. The two revisers elected by the General Meeting for the period of 3 years control the cash transactions of the entire association both mathematically and objectively. All relevant paperwork and information have to be made available to the revisers. The result has to be reported annually at the General Meeting.

§ 10 Dissolution of the Association

- 10.1. The dissolution of the association can only be decided on at an extraordinary General Meeting held for only this purpose within a period of one month time. The resolution of the General Meeting is given if at least 75% of the members are present.
- 10.2. If this resolution cannot be fulfilled another General Meeting has to be called within a period of 4 months' time. This General Meeting constitutes resolution without considering the number of members present. This has to be made clear by second call.
- 10.3. For resolution on the dissolution of the association a majority of 75% is necessary.
- 10.4. The members call the liquidators with simple majority of the valid votes during the dissolution meeting. The liquidators are called to end the current business.
- 10.5. Money left over after dissolution or ending of the association or at elimination of tax privileged purposes shall be spent on welfare, charity or for social purposes. The General Meeting decides on the beneficiary institution.

§ 11 Liability

- 11.1. The monetary funds of the association are subject to any liability.

§ 12 Data Protection

- 12.1. To fulfill the statutory duties and obligations of the association which are subject to the membership in the Feldenkrais Network International, the following personal data will be stored digitally for the association under consideration of legal regulations as stated in the Federal Data Security Law (BDSG): Name, Address, Telephone number, Email address, Date of Birth, Bank Account Data, Department Affiliation, Date of Admission.
- 12.2. Digital processing of data is subject to approval of the members by written declaration of accession.
- 12.3. The organs of the association, all members or other people working for the association are not allowed to disseminate personal data or to provide third party access or use personal data for any other purpose than to perform tasks concerning the association. This obligation is valid even after a member has left the association

§ 13 Rules and regulations

- 13.1. Education and Training (see enclosure 1)
- 13.2. Election rules (see enclosure 2)
- 13.3. Financial regulation (see enclosure 3)



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13.4. Complaint rules (see enclosure 4)

13.5. Ethical guidelines (see enclosure 5)

The rules and regulations mentioned in §13 can be adjusted by the General Meeting without changing the statutes.

The statutes come into effect by passing the General Meeting taking place 23.03.2025 in Bad Tölz.

Würzburg, 23.03.2025



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Election Rules

- § 1 Elections are only allowed to be held in accordance with the statutes and after being announced by the agenda.
- § 2 Elections are subject to the members of the election committee, which consists of the chairman, two committee members and two spare committee members. The election committee will be elected prior to the actual election by the General Meeting.
- § 3 Before the election the election chairman asks for the discharge of the committee, which is done by en-bloc voting of all members of the executive committee. On request of the General Meeting the voting can be made separately.
- § 4 Suggestions for candidates are to be made orally or in writing to the election committee chairman. The election committee chairman asks the candidates if they are willing to stand for election.
- § 5 On request of the committee members the candidates have to present themselves shortly orally. In case one third of the eligible voters requests personal debating, this has to take place.
- § 6 Persons absent can be elected if beforehand a written declaration was submitted to the election chairman stating the willingness to accept office in case of being elected.
- § 7 If a member of the election committee is nominated for office, he is not in office for the period of election. He is going to be replaced by the first- mentioned spare committee member.
- § 8 Election of the 1. Chairman shall be carried out secretly and in writing. Elected is the candidate, who received more than half of the valid votes. If there is no majority the election has to be repeated. The simple majority of the valid votes is decisive.
- § 9 Further elections will be carried out secretly and in writing as well. If there is only one candidate available for one office, voting can be carried out by acclamation (show of hands), in case the committee decides with full majority. In a tie the election shall be repeated, with repeated tie the lot will decide.
- § 10 In case there are many candidates and nobody receives simple majority of the votes, there is a going to be a run-off vote between the two candidates with most votes (equal votes)
- § 11 Result of the election has to be acknowledged by the election committee members and be presented to the General Meeting. Its validity has to be confirmed in writing in the agenda.
- § 12 The elected person being present shall be asked to accept the result of the election. If there is a written approval present, this is also valid.
- § 13 Electoral regulations come into effect at the General Meeting held the 21.04.2020 in Würzburg and is subject to any alterations irrespective to the statutes.

Würzburg, 21.04.2020