

# **INTERNATIONAL SANDOR FERENCZI NETWORK**

## **STATUTE**

### **Article 1) DENOMINATION AND HEADQUARTERS**

The Association International Sándor Ferenczi Network is established with legal headquarters at Firenze, Italy, via Masaccio 256.

### **Article 2) PURPOSES**

The Association has neither profit nor political purposes and character.

During the life of the Association operating surplus, funds, reserves and capital cannot be distributed among the associates, not even indirectly.

It exclusively pursues purposes of social solidarity through:

- a) The promotion of the study and research of the history, theory, practice and transmission of psychoanalysis according to the work of Sándor Ferenczi and its legacy.
- b) The organization of meetings, courses, seminars, and conference in Italy and elsewhere in the world.
- c) The publication, translation and dissemination of books, articles, essays, bulletins, and journals.
- d) The organization of exhibitions, documentaries, multimedia works, web sites, and whatever else is useful to extending of knowledge and legacy of Ferenczi.
- e) The collaboration with national and international organizations with similar or convergent purposes.

The Association achieves its purposes mainly with the organization of an International Conference every three years and resolves the following goals:

- a) to manage the incomes of the conferences,
- b) to chose the place of the next Conference,
- c) to appoint the President of the Conference,
- d) to actualize the Website of ISFN.

### **Article 3) DURATION**

The duration is boundless. The Association can be dissolved only by a resolution of the extraordinary Assembly of members.

### **Article 4) MEMBERSHIP**

After the membership application and registration process members are permitted to take part in the societal activities of the ISFN. All time and operative limitation to the membership and the related rights are expressly ruled out.

**Membership categories:**

**a) Individual Members:** they are physical, individual persons.

**b) Member Societies:** are organizations, which pursue purposes similar or convergent to those of the Network. Member societies can in turn be organizations without affiliated members (such as Foundations, Research Centers, Journals, etc.) or Associations of individual members, in which case the members of the member societies are registered ex officio in the Register of the members of ISFN.

The membership, the member register, and the payment of the membership fees are ruled by an internal regulation.

**Article 5) RIGHTS OF MEMBERS**

All the members registered in the Register of members have the right to participate in the societal assemblies and have the right to vote.

**Article 6) SOCIETAL ORGANS**

The societal organs are:

- a) The General Assembly of members;
- b) The Assembly of member societies;
- c) The Board;
- d) The President;
- e) The Treasurer.

**Article 7) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MEMBERS**

- 1) The General Assembly of members is the chief deliberative organ of the Association, it consists of all members, and it convenes in ordinary and extraordinary meetings. Legitimate deliberations are compulsory for all the members, even if they did not participate or are in disagreement.
- 2) The Assembly is summoned by the President by posting the Agenda in the member website page at least one month before a meeting.
- 3) The Assembly has to be summoned in a time and place suitable to maximize the participation of the members, and, in any case, at every International Ferenczi Conference.
- 4) The ordinary Assembly is validly constituted in first convocation if at least half of the members plus one with voting rights are present, the assembly validly deliberates with the approving vote of the majority of the participants. Every member is entitled to one vote.
- 5) The extraordinary Assembly in first convocation is validly constituted if 2/3 of the members with voting rights are present and deliberates with the approving vote of the simple majority of participants.
- 6) After one hour from the first convocation both the ordinary and extraordinary assembly are validly constituted whatever is the number of participants and deliberates with the vote of the simple majority of those present.
- 7) It is up to the ordinary Assembly:
  - a) to elect the members of the Board, after having defined the number of the members;
  - b) to approve the final budget;
  - c) to elect the Auditors or the Auditor;
  - d) to approve the regulations which regulate the activity of the Association;
  - e) to determine the location of the next International Ferenczi Conference.
- 8) The tasks of the extraordinary Assembly are to deliberate on the approval and changes of the societal Statute, and on the closing of the Association and winding-up modalities.

In case of change of the Statute, it is necessary to have, in both first and second convocation, the deliberative majority of 2/3 of those present.

To deliberate the closing of the Association and the devolution of the assets it is necessary to have the approving vote of at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the members.

### **Article 8) THE ASSEMBLY OF MEMBER SOCIETIES**

The Assembly of member societies takes place by proxy. The names of the delegates are communicated at the beginning of the mandate. The Chairs of the next and previous International Ferenczi Conferences are ex-officio members.

The Assembly is validly constituted with the presence of the half, plus one, of the delegates in charge and ex-officio members and validly deliberates with the approving vote of the half plus one of those present.

The Assembly of Member Societies meets at least once a year in videoconference. The Agenda and the Minutes of the meetings are made public in the website area accessible to all members.

Tasks of the Assembly of Member Societies:

- a) to write internal regulations;
- b) to determine the membership fees;
- c) to accept new member societies;
- d) to define the themes of the next International Ferenczi Conference and appoint a Scientific Committee;
- e) to approve cultural, educational, and scientific projects;
- f) to approve the final budget in case that the General Assembly of Members cannot be summoned in time.

### **Article 9) THE BOARD**

The Board meets at least once a year in videoconference. It is in charge for 3 years and consists of at least 3 members.

The Board elects the President and the President among its members. It can confer further powers.

The Presidents of the previous and next International Ferenczi Conferences are ex-officio members of the Board.

The Board is validly constituted when the half plus one of the members of the board are present and validly deliberates with the approving vote of the half plus one of the members of the board.

The tasks of the Board are:

- a) to run all the activities pertinent the associative purposes;
- b) To secure the services of a Webmaster and of a team of the website;
- c) To manage the assets of the Association;
- d) To write the budget that has to be presented to the Assembly.

#### **Article 10) THE PRESIDENT**

The President:

- a) chairs the Association and heads the activities with respect for the autonomy of the other social organs;
- b) is the legal representative of the Association and safeguards its interests according to the purposes of the present statute;
- c) coordinates the fund raising aimed to secure the funds necessary for the next International Conference and other projects;
- d) Appoints Committees for special projects and specific tasks.

#### **Article 11) THE TREASURER**

The Treasurer is responsible of the book keeping and accounting of the assets of the Association. In particular, the Treasurer settles the expenditures of the previous Board, and cashes the incomes and settles the bills according to the deliberation of the Board. To this purpose has the power to operate on the bank accounts and deposits, which belong to the Association. Upon request of the Board, the Treasurer is compelled to produce the accounting records, which attest the economic and financial transfers and the regularity of the payments of the membership fees.

The functions of the Treasurer can be subsumed by the President and delegated by him to a trusted person with the suitable moral and professional qualities.

#### **Article 12) FISCAL YEAR**

The fiscal year begins on the first of January and ends on the 31st of December, every year.

#### **Article 13) ASSETS**

The assets of the Association consist of:

- a) movable and immovable properties;
- e) net operating surplus;
- f) supplies, donations, bequests, and subsidies and grants by public and private organizations or Legal Persons.

The income of the Association consist of:

- a) membership fees;
- b) incomes of its activities;
- c) fund raisings.

The membership does not imply further financing or expenditure obligations beyond the membership fee. Deposits do not create further participation rights and therefore do not create shares, which can be transmitted to third parties.

In case of dissolution of the Association the residual assets are destined to another association with similar purposes, subject otherwise required by law.

#### **Article 14) REFERENCE REGULATION**

Items not explicitly clarified in the present statute fall under the provisions of the Italian Civil Code.

