



DRAFT STATUTES of the *EUROMAYENNE* ASSOCIATION after the Extraordinary General Meeting on **14th October 2023**

ARTICLE 1 - NAME

This association, governed by the law of July 1st, 1901 and the decree of August 16th, 1901, shall have the title "DEPARTMENTAL ASSOCIATION FOR A EUROPEAN COOPERATION IN THE MAYENNE", known in short as "ASSOCIATION EUROMAYENNE".

ARTICLE 2 - AIMS

The aim of the association is to welcome Europeans who come to live in the Mayenne and surrounding departments, and to contribute to their integration with the local population by organising cultural and social links.

ARTICLE 3 – ADDRESS

The registered office is at Maison des Associations, 130 rue de la Visitation, 53100 MAYENNE. It can be changed by the Executive Committee with notification at the following AGM.

ARTICLE 4 – DURATION

The association has been created for an unlimited period.

ARTICLE 5 – MEMBERSHIP

The association comprises:

5.1 Members who must pay an annual subscription by its due date, the level being fixed each year by the Executive Committee.

5.2 Honorary Members, nominated by the Executive Committee for significant services rendered to the association, who are exempted from paying the annual subscription.

By joining the Association a member agrees to abide by the present statutes and the prevailing Internal Rules.

ARTICLE 6 – CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership ceases for any of the following reasons:

6.1 resignation

6.2 non-payment of the annual subscription by its due date

6.3 by decision of the Executive Committee to expel a member on grounds of a serious breach of the statutes or internal rules. The accused member shall be invited by registered mail to appear before the Executive Committee to give explanations.

ARTICLE 7 – RESOURCES

The financial resources of the association comprise the:

- 7.1 collection of membership fees
- 7.2 grants
- 7.3 sums collected during the events organized by the association
- 7.4 products of the services sold by the association
- 7.5 financial products
- 7.6 donations and legacies

ARTICLE 8 – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 8.1 The Association is directed between one AGM and the next by an Executive Committee comprising twelve members, of whom no more than six of the same nationality may be elected.
- 8.2 Members of the Executive Committee are elected at the AGM from within the paid-up membership for a renewable duration of three years.
- 8.3 Whenever vacancies arise, the Executive Committee may co-opt one or more member.
- 8.4 Members must be at least 18 years of age to be elected to the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 9 – OFFICERS

As soon after each AGM as is practicable, the Executive Committee will elect by secret ballot from within its members the following officers:

- 9.1 President of French nationality.
- 9.2 Vice-President, or two Vice-Presidents. At least one Vice-President must be of a different nationality from the president.
- 9.3 Secretary with the option for a deputy.
- 9.4 Treasurer with the option for a deputy.

Each of the Officers' mandate is for one year renewable.

ARTICLE 10 – MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 10.1 The Executive Committee will meet at least three times each year. These meetings may be called for by the President, or at the request of at least a quarter of its members.
- 10.2 If the president fails to call for a meeting when requested by at least a quarter of the members, the meeting can be convened by the secretary, or by any other member of the Executive Committee.
- 10.3 Decisions shall be taken by majority voting, with the **chairperson president** having the casting vote.

ARTICLE 11 – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING(AGM)

- 11.1 An AGM shall be held each year within two months following the end of the association's financial year. It is open to all members having paid their membership fee, and by invitation to officials or non-member guests, after authorization from the president.
- 11.2 The president shall give at least 30 days notice of the date of the AGM, and shall call for any member who wishes to stand for election for any vacancies on the Executive Committee to put their name forward, **and shall invite the submission of any matter needed to be voted on, for inclusion in the agenda if appropriate.**
- 11.3 At least 15 days before the date of the AGM, the president shall send to the members:
 - 11.3.1 a notification of the AGM's date, time and venue, as well as the agenda proposed by the Executive Committee
 - 11.3.2 the minutes of the previous AGM for approval
 - 11.3.3 the president's report (as appropriate) and the annual activity report
 - 11.3.4 the financial & audit reports, as well as the provisional budget

11.3.5 the list of Executive Committee members to be re-elected and those standing for election to serve on the Executive Committee, including any temporary members co-opted under Article 8.3

11.3.6 A form enabling those not able to be present to cast their vote by proxy.

11.4 Proxy voting is authorized on the conditions fixed by the internal rules, and within the limit of three mandates per member.

ARTICLE 12 –EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING(EGM)

If the need arises, or at the demand of at least a quarter of the members who have the right to vote, the President can convene an Extraordinary General Meeting.

Decisions shall require a majority of those present plus those represented.

ARTICLE 13 – INTERNAL RULES

Internal rules on how the association is to be run, and any subsequent modifications to them, can be established by the Executive Committee, to supplement the association's operating procedures.

ARTICLE 14 – CHANGES TO THE STATUTES

Any modifications to the association's statutes must be the subject of an Extraordinary General Meeting.

ARTICLE 15 – DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION

The decision to wind up the association must be voted on at an Extraordinary General Meeting.

In the event of dissolution which is voluntary, statutory or pronounced by justice, one or more liquidators will be nominated by the Extraordinary General Meeting and the assets, if any, disposed of in accordance with the statutes, or in the absence of such provision, according to rules determined at the Extraordinary General Meeting.

ARTICLE 16

These statutes, approved at the Extraordinary General Meeting on 14th October 2023, replace in their entirety the statutes signed on 9th April 1991 and subsequently modified at Extraordinary General Meetings on 23rd September 2003, 22nd January 2011 and 24th September 2016.

In case of any discrepancy over meaning, the official French Statutes shall have precedence over this, their English translation.

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