

STATUTE of the NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION "RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR PEACE"

CHAPTER I. General Dispositions

Article 1. Denomination and Seat

A volunteer Organization denominated "RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR PEACE," which assumes the juridical form of Association, is established.

The Association doesn't pursue finality of profit; it is nondenominational and independent from every political party.

The seat of the Association is in Trondheim (Norway), in Jakob Kjeviks vei 6D Street. The Association is constituted with the perspective of unlimited duration.

Article 2. Official Language and Official Logo

Official languages of the Association are English, Norwegian, Spanish and Italian.

The logo of the Association, is formed by the acronym REN PEACE in gray superimposed to a globe representing the earth in black and white and the color version superimposed to a globe representing the earth and sun, as represented in Appendix 1.

Article 3. Statute

The statute binds to its observance all members of the Organization; it constitutes the fundamental code of conduct of the activity of the Organization itself.

The present statute can be modified with deliberation of the Assembly adopted with the favorable vote of two third of the presents at the Assembly meeting.

When something is not set forth explicitly in the present statute, the norms are the ones set by the Civil Law Code of the Norwegian State.

CHAPTER II. Aims of the Organization

Article 4. Main Objective

The primary Aims of the Association is to bring into reality the renewable energy potential that exist in every country into a real provision of useful energy for the people by the realization of dedicated projects, with the volunteered knowledge, know-how and time of their members: the professors without frontiers.

ren-PEACE is established as the hosting house of "professeurs sans frontiers", whose knowledge, know-how and time are the assets of the organization and put for free to the service of humanitarian projects based on the use of energy from renewable sources.

"Useful energy" is meant here as the energy that can be used for the alleviation of extreme poverty. The general objective will then be to attain any of the following 8 human basic needs (Source: a b "Indicators of Poverty andHunger"http://www.un.org/esa/socdev/unyin/documents/ydiDavidGordon_poverty.pdf.)

- Food: Body Mass Index must be above 16.
- Safe drinking water: Water must not come from solely rivers and ponds, and must be available nearby (less than 15 minutes walk each way).
- Sanitation facilities: Toilets or latrines must be accessible in or near the home.
- Health: Treatment must be received for serious illnesses and pregnancy.
- Shelter: Homes must have fewer than four people living in each room. Floors must not be made of dirt, mud, or clay.
- Education: Everyone must attend school or otherwise learn to read.
- Information: Everyone must have access to newspapers, radios, televisions, computers, or telephones at home.
- Access to services: This item is undefined by Gordon, but normally is used to indicate the complete panoply of education, health, legal, social, and financial (credit) services.

As an example, the energy production could find its application in the production of food or means for the production/processing/conservation of food, drinking water, building materials etc.

This organization is created on the belief that beyond the borders of countries, cultures and religions there is a most essential human kind brotherhood that shares the very same dream of peace for the people of this planet. Those who believe in this dream are most welcome to join us in the realization of it.

The organization is operated through the action of its volunteers who will contribute to the project with their time, knowledge and competence.

The final goal of the Association is to support the mitigation of extreme poverty inspired on the Article 25 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights that affirms that, "***Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and his family, including food...***" and Article 11 of the International Covenant on Economic Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR) that states "***...the fundamental right of everyone to be free from hunger...***".

Article 5. Working Objectives and Strategy

Considering that Energy is the basic source of life on our planet (the sun is the source of Energy for the Earth), and being available everywhere in different forms, it can be made reachable to the small isolated populations in which extreme poverty prevails today, by donating knowledge, know how, and work by the volunteers of this Association and its partners and/or friends.

The Association operates by applying for funding to funding institutions for the realization of a particular project. The members of the organization will be the executors of the project by donating their time and efforts aimed at such realization. The funding obtained will cover the expenses of travelling to the site and of subsistence in the site of the project. Other executors could be from the industry sector that takes part in an application for funding together with *ren-PEACE*. The material necessary for the realization of the project will be partially covered by the obtained funding. In-kind contributions from the participating industry/partners is also foreseen. (donors)

The basic idea is to build/develop/construct the project objectives in the most economical and sustainable way having as first priority the functionality of the equipment and the possibility to be repaired by the users themselves. Tailored solutions "made from the very beginning (from scratch)" rather than highest technology equipments will be the preferred solutions but not limited to it.

Based on the above working strategy, *Ren-PEACE* sets its line of actions towards the attainment of its goals by the following steps:

- 1) Investigation and identification of target population in the world with the extreme needs as described in the "8 human basic needs", for the realization of the renewable energy exploitation with the purposes of mitigating their needs. Example of projects: standalone systems for the production of electricity from renewable energy sources (wind, solar PV, sea wave, hydro, tidal), exchange of professors to teach specific and practically oriented subjects in schools, universities, and communities that may need it, participation of university students (graduates and undergraduates) in field or pilot projects of standalone systems as part of the specialization and master projects in collaboration with turnkey projects (Scatec solar), production of fresh water from desalination plants powered by renewable energy sources (wave energy converters).
- 2) Investigation and identification of possible project partners, donors, financing institutions and volunteers. Project partners should include the local people and should have mechanisms for the transfer of knowledge from the volunteers to the locals. Local Schools and/University involvement is highly desirable. It is also desirable the involvement of local non profit organizations if available.
- 3) Writing of a proposal for obtaining the funding for the realization of the project
- 4) Realization of the project in the specified site based on the voluntary action of its members. This voluntary action can include but is not limited to: project ideas, know-how, real work in the field at implementation stage.
- 5) *ren-PEACE* will also act as a bank of volunteers for other non-profit organizations (with similar objectives as the ones described here) when needed.

In some cases in which volunteers are needed in renewable energy realization projects for the same purposes, *ren-PEACE* can join with its volunteers force. A data base will be maintained for that purpose and be available for similar actions from sister organizations looking for specialized know-how or knowledge with the spirit of volunteer actions.

Every work accomplished will be published to inspire new volunteers and encourage similar actions. Publications will be done in the technical societies related to the knowledge involved in the execution of the specific renewable energy case.

Article 6. Realization of Objectives

Actions that ren-PEACE may take include:

- the maintenance of a page on the World Wide Web (WWW) for the diffusion of the objectives and dissemination of the accomplishments by the Association;
- the publication of essays and reports, for educational, popularization, research purposes, as well as to raise awareness on the topic;
- the publication of a periodic bulletin, with abstracts of essays and reports and other remarkable information or comments;
- the diffusion of "urgent action" notes on situations that require the support of an ample public and the dispatch of letters to competent authority, also in collaboration with, or on solicitation of other Organizations; (being advocates for example)
- the maintenance of a link and a data base of other similar organizations, made accessible through the WWW page of the Association; or upon request.
- Ren-PEACE will actively seek to take part of global networks aimed at the same or similar objectives as the ones stated here, and to contribute in the discussions involving the means for extreme poverty alleviation and its role towards the attainment of a global lasting peace.

Article 7. Domain of Realization of Objectives

On recognizing the potentiality of the networks of electronic computers in the information exchange and their particular economic convenience, the Association is set to use electronic communication as its main source of distributing and exchanging information

The primary form of publication of reports and periodic communications produced by the Association is electronic.

CHAPTER III. The members

Article 8. General Dispositions

The Association is open to all those that recognize the article 25 of the Universal Declaration of the Human Rights enunciated above as having fundamental political and ethical validity, and that wish to contribute in a meaningful way to the main objective of the Association with the means enunciated in the present statute.

The Association is open without distinction of geographical location, race, sex, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, gender identity or ethnic group.

Article 9. Admission, Laws & Duties of the Members

Admission to the Association is decided by the Executive Committee on request by the applicant.

The members of the Association have the right to elect the organs of the Association itself.

They have the right to be informed on the activities of the Association and to check the course of the Association as set forth in the Law and in the statute. The Organization members have the rights to be refunded by the expenses sustained for activity for the Association, to the limits set forth by Law. The

Organization members must develop their own activity without aiming at profit. The behavior toward other members and to people external to the Organization should be animated by spirit of solidarity and carried out with correctness and politeness.

The Organization members that contravenes to duties established by the Statute can be excluded from the Organization. The exclusion is deliberated by the Assembly with secret vote and after having listened to the justification of the interested parties.

CHAPTER IV. I The Organization Governing Bodies

Article 10. Denomination of the Governing Bodies

The Bodies of the Organization are: the Assembly, the Executive Committee, The President

Article 11. The Assembly

The Assembly is composed of all members of the Organization.

The Assembly is presided by a President named among the Assembly members.

The Assembly gathers every two years.

The President summons the meeting with a notice containing the agenda sent by electronic mail or with other appropriate mean with at least 30 days of advance.

In first call, the Assembly is constituted regularly with the presence of half more one of the Association members, present in person or by delegation conferred to other members. In second call, the Assembly is constituted regularly by any number of members, may they be present in person or through delegation.

It is not admitted more than one delegation for each member attending the Assembly.

In the deliberations of approval of the budget and in those that concern their responsibility, the administrators and the secretary-treasurer don't have the right to vote according to the Norwegian Civil Law and regulations.

The Assembly can be arranged through a reserved area of electronic discussion ("chatroom") or in video-conference, according to the available resources. The members that will use these electronic means will be considered present at all effects.

The Assembly deliberates at majority of the votes of the presents (save the limitations on the approval and modification of the statute and on the termination of the Association). The deliberation is obligatory on initiatives or on amendments to the present statute proposed, (1) by the president; (2) by the executive

committee; (3) by at least 10% of the Assembly components.

The votes are open except those regarding persons.

At the opening of the general assembly, the President reads a brief report on the activity of the preceding year, and she or he explains her or his proposals and those of the executive committee of activity for the next term.

The discussions and the deliberations are summarized in the minutes, compiled by the secretary, and undersigned by the president.

The minutes are kept, by the president, at the seat of the Organization.

Every member of the Organization has the right to consult the minutes and to make copies of it.

Article 12. The Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is composed by three members, elected from the Assembly among the Organization members.

The Executive Committee is constituted validly when it is attended by the majority of the components.

The President of the Organization is the President of the Executive Committee and she or he is elected by the Assembly together with the other members of the committee: the deputy-president and the secretary-treasurer.

The Executive Committee lasts for a two year term, and can be revoked by the Assembly, with the majority of two third of the members.

The Executive Committee is the body of government and administration of the Association and works to concretize the directions and the objectives set forth by the Assembly, to which it responds directly.

The deliberations of the Executive Committee are approved by the majority of the presents.

Article 13. The President

The President is chosen by the Assembly among his members by the majority of the presents. The President's term lasts as the one of the executive committee. The Assembly can revoke the President with the majority of the presents. At least a month before the expiration of his or her term, the President summons the Assembly for the election of the new President.

The President represents the volunteer Organization and he or she undertakes all the actions in behalf of the Organization. The president presides the executive committee meetings and takes care of the orderly carrying out of the meeting. The President undersigns the minute of the Assembly meeting and takes care that it is preserved at the Organization seat, where it can be consulted by the members.

CHAPTER V. The financial resources

Article 14. Denomination of the Resources

The financial resources of the Organization can be constituted by:

1. Real estate and cash property;
2. Contributions and associative quotas;
3. Donations and legacies;
4. Earnings of marginal activity of commercial and productive character;
5. Every other type of earnings admitted to the senses of the Law for volunteer activities in Norway.

Article 15. Property

The properties of the Organization can be real estate properties, recorded furniture and movable properties. Immovable good and recorded furniture can be acquired by the Organization, and they are registered to its denomination.

Immovable good, recorded furniture, as well as movable property that are located in the seat of the Organization are listed in the Inventory. The Inventory is deposited at the seat of the Organization and that can be consulted by the members.

It is made prohibition to the Association to distribute, also in an indirect way, good and management residuals as well as funds, reserves or capital during its own life, unless the destination or the distribution are imposed for law or are effected in favor of other Associations that pursue analogous purposes according to law, their statute or rule.

The Association has the obligation to employ possible profits or management residuals directly for the realization of institutional activities connected to it.

In case of breakup or cessation of the Organization, property, after the liquidation, should be devolved to other volunteer Organizations or to nonprofit bodies oriented to the general good with finalities similar to those listed in the present statute and at any rate aimed at the pursuit of objectives of social utility.

Article 16. Contributions

The ordinary contributions are constituted by the associative quota, if any, by the members, as established by the Assembly.

The extraordinary contributions are donated by members, or by persons or bodies who are extraneous to the Association.

The liberal disbursements in money and the donations are accepted by the Executive Committee, which deliberates on their use in harmony with the Organization statutory finalities.

The earnings deriving from marginal commercial or productive activity are inserted in a special voice of the Organization budget.

The Assembly deliberates on the use of the earnings, in a way that must be however in harmony with statutory objectives and with the principles of the Law ruling volunteers activities in Norway.

APPENDIX 1



APPENDIX 2

ARTICLE 25 OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS CITED IN THE STATUTE OF THE ASSOCIATION "RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR PEACE"

ARTICLE 25.

(1) Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food, clothing, housing and medical care and necessary social services, and the right to security in the event of unemployment, sickness, disability, widowhood, old age or other lack of livelihood in circumstances beyond his control.

(2) Motherhood and childhood are entitled to special care and assistance. All children, whether born in or out of wedlock, shall enjoy the same social protection.

ARTICLE 11 OF THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON ECONOMIC SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS (ICESCR) CITED IN THE STATUTE OF THE ASSOCIATION "RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR PEACE"

ARTICLE 11.

The States Parties to the present Covenant recognize the right of everyone to an adequate standard of living for himself and his family, including adequate food, clothing and housing, and to the continuous improvement of living conditions. The States Parties will take appropriate steps to ensure the realization of this right, recognizing to this effect the essential importance of international co-operation based on free consent.

2. The States Parties to the present Covenant, recognizing the fundamental right of everyone to be free from hunger, shall take, individually and through international co-operation, the measures, including specific programmes, which are needed:

(a) To improve methods of production, conservation and distribution of food by making full use of technical and scientific knowledge, by disseminating knowledge of the principles of nutrition and by developing or reforming agrarian systems in such a way as to achieve the most efficient development and utilization of natural resources;

(b) Taking into account the problems of both food-importing and food-exporting countries, to ensure an equitable distribution of world food supplies in relation to need.