

STATUTE

**PREAMBLE**

The extraction and processing of rocks, minerals, metals and mineral raw materials in general, represent the human activities that first favored the meeting and trade between the populations of the European continent and the Mediterranean basin.

In fact, since the ancient Neolithic, the sites from which construction rocks, ornamental stones, obsidians, flint, steatites, clays, salt and many other metals were extracted starting from the copper age up to the industrial age (copper , tin, iron, silver, gold, lead, zinc, etc.) with the relative workshops and factories for their processing, have marked the main historical events of the evolution of human civilization becoming a crossroads for the populations who have contributed to building the common Euro-Mediterranean culture.

Since the beginning of the second millennium in the sites and regions of the European continent and partially in those of the Mediterranean basin, in which minerals and metals were extracted and processed, the cult of St. Barbara, the young martyr who lived in Nicomedia, the current city of Izmir in Turkey, was practiced. At the end of the third century AD during the Roman Empire, she was locked in a tower and beheaded by her own father for having embraced the Christian religion.

It was a deeply felt cult, still practiced today despite the fact that production activities in the main European mining basins have been abandoned, which spread rapidly to become the symbol of identity of miners and mining people throughout Christian Europe.

Now that the thousand-year-old European mining epic has largely come to an

end, there remain the material and immaterial evidence of an immense common cultural heritage that we want to protect, hand down and enhance through the promotion of cultural slow and sustainable tourism, to be practiced along the ancient paths that cross the disused mining basins, in the mining and archaeological museums scattered throughout the Euro-Mediterranean area.

Taking the above into account, the **European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara Federation** has been established, open to the participation of public and private entities of the Euro-Mediterranean area, involved in the management of the cultural heritage of the thousand-year-old mining activity carried out since ancient times and the related cult for Santa Barbara, in order to build through common and coordinated initiatives, the "**European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara Network**" so as to preserve and transmit the common European identity and therefore obtain recognition from the Council of Europe via its inclusion among the European Cultural Itineraries.

## **“EUROPEAN MINING ROUTES OF SANTA BARBARA FEDERATION”**

### **STATUTE**

#### **TITLE I:**

#### **CONSTITUTION, NAME, REGISTERED OFFICE, DURATION AND SCOPE**

**Article 1 - Constitution, name, registered office  
and duration.**

The "**European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara Federation**", (hereinafter the **MINES.B Federation**) has been established in accordance with the provisions contained in the Third Sector

Code referred to in the Legislative Decree No. 117/2017.

The registered office of the **MINES.B Federation** is located in **Iglesias (SU)-Italy, Via Cattaneo n.70.**

Any change in the registered office does not implicate a change in the Articles of Association unless specifically approved by the Board of Directors and subsequent communication to the competent offices.

The **MINES.B Federation** can indicate other secondary offices, branches, agencies and representations in the territory of its federations by resolution of the Presidency Office.

The **MINES.B Federation** will have an unlimited duration, unless, due to the impossibility of achieving it's social objectives caused by exceptional circumstances, the dissolution is decided through a specific procedure provided for by Title IX of this Statute.

#### **Article 2 - Territorial areas of reference.**

The geographical area of reference is that which includes those territories of the member States of the Council of Europe and of the other States of the European Continent and the Mediterranean Basin that cooperate with the Council of Europe in which **the testimonies of the cultural heritage** are found connected to human activities carried out since ancient times for the extraction and processing of rocks, minerals and metals, facilitating the encounter and first commercial exchanges between the European and Mediterranean populations, with

particular reference to the territories and European mining basins in which the cult of Santa Barbara, patron saint of miners, has been practiced and always kept alive for the last millennium becoming the symbol of identity of the miners and the people of the mines.

## **TITOLO II:**

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Article 3 - Objective of the Federation**

The **MINES.B Federation** is non-profit and pursues exclusively civic, cultural, solidarity and socially useful purposes.

In particular, the **MINES.B Federation** pursues the following objectives:

**a.** promote and support knowledge, protection, conservation, diffusion and enhancement of the cultural, material and intangible heritage, connected to human activities carried out since ancient times for the extraction and processing of rocks, minerals and metals , with particular reference to the European mining territories and basins in which the cult of Santa Barbara was practiced;

**b.** promote cultural, slow and sustainable tourism along the ancient paths that cross disused mining basins and disused mining sites in order to encourage the creation of the network of "**European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara**" and encourage common policies of sustainable development in territories and countries referred to in the above article 2 with the aim of

preventing depopulation while achieving well-being in the disused mining areas, ensuring quality of the proposed activities whilst favoring employment for future generations;

**c.** collaborate with the European Institute of Cultural Routes in Luxembourg with the aim of obtaining recognition and inclusion of the "**European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara**" among the European Cultural Itineraries of the Council of Europe.

#### **Articolo 4.- The Federation's Activities**

In order to pursue the objectives set out in the Article 3 above, the **MINES.B Federation** may carry out the following activities:

**a.** promote synergies that facilitate the study, conservation, protection as well as the social and touristic diffusion of the "**European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara**" in the countries adhering to the Federation;

**b.** study, plan, manage and finance projects that are considered appropriate towards favoring the study, conservation, protection as well as social and touristic diffusion of the "**European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara**";

**c.** promote educational activities regarding the heritage tied to the "**European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara**", through the involvement of young people, with the objective of reinforcing knowledge of its origins and strengthening of the European identity;

**d.** harmonize, in the context of sustainable development, the cultural and tourist activities that are developed in the

geographical area of reference of the " **European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara** ";

**e.** adequately manage all types of aid intended to finance the Federation as well as management of the infrastructures necessary to guarantee its functioning;

**f.** manage the coordination and collaboration with local, regional, national and international entities with regards to the management of the " **European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara**";

**g.** encourage new collaborations among cultural and tourist "stakeholders" by engaging them in the construction of a project with an international identity;

**h.** promote cooperation and work networks among the members of the " **European Mining Routes of Santa Barbara**";

**i.** promote and develop cooperative alliances between institutions, associations and public and private organizations based on solidarity, the preservation of the common European heritage, with the prospect of creating the conditions to foster social, cultural and economic development;

**l.** represent the interests of the members towards public administrations as well as towards international networks and associations;

**m.** organize and manage cultural, artistic or recreational activities of social interest including editorial activities, promotion and diffusion of culture;

**n.** organize and manage tourist activities of social, cultural

or religious interest with particular reference to gentle mobility (eco-friendly mobility) functional to a new utilization of ancient mining paths;

**o.** promote and organize initiatives aimed at local communities, both individuals as businesses, in order to strengthen their knowledge of the tangible and intangible heritage by reinforcing their local and European identity;

**p.** encourage and safeguard hikers' and other travelers' journey by supporting and promoting, at the competent territorial bodies, the creation of adequate infrastructures and services, for a better fruition of the routes as well as the sites;

**q.** foster collaboration with the ecclesiastical realm, stimulating intercultural and interreligious dialogue;

**r.** create a quality cultural and tourist offer, that aims at contributing to the sustainable development of the territories and communities in federated countries.

The **MINES.B Federation** may carry out any activity connected and similar to those listed above, as well as perform all acts and conclude all commercial, financial, movable and immovable property transactions necessary or useful for the achievement of the social objectives.

The **MINES.B Federation** may join other associations, entities and companies that carry out activities within the social objectives.

**TITLE III:**

**STANDARDS REGULATING RELATIONSHIPS AMONG MEMBERS**

**Article 5 - Members**

The **MINES.B Federation** is an international federation of which the following may be member with the right to propose and vote: legal entities, public or private, i.e. those entities, including territorial entities such as cities, municipalities, provinces and departments, regions and cantons and counties, as well as those institutions and bodies of the countries that are part of the Council of Europe, as well as third countries that cooperate with the Council of Europe and that identify themselves with the aims and objectives of the Federation and are constituted according to the laws of the different States included within the territorial areas of reference.

The following member categories are foreseen:

- **ORDINARY:** individuals or legal entities who acquire this status through an application to the Presidency Office, expressing their associative will by fully adhering to the statutes and regulations and with an explicit commitment to assume the rights and obligations associated with them by actively participating in the Federation's activities and purposes. They contribute financially through the payment of an annual membership fee;

- HONORARY: individuals or enteties, appointed as honorary members by the General Assembly, who have contributed or will contribute actively, at local, regional, national or international level, to the development of the Federation's objectives. They are not required to pay a fix membership fee, they are asked to donate a free contribution fee.

#### **Article 6 - Member rights.**

The rights of the members of the Federation are:

- attend the meetings of the General Assembly of federated members with the right to speak and vote;
- to elect and be elected to a representative or managerial position;
- represent the Federation in cases expressly provided for;
- enjoy all the common activities and services of the Federation according to the rules and regulations;
- request and receive information on the activities, administration and management of the Federation;
- access the documents and present requests regarding the various cases;
- be part of work groups;
- have a copy of the Statute;
- propose the admission of new ordinary members and supporters.

#### **Article 7 - Member obligations.**

Member obligations are the following:

- comply with the statutory rules and approved regulations;

- respect the statute and the agreements made through the General Assembly and the Presidency Council;
- attend Assembly sessions and other events organized by the Federation;
- carry out, depending on the situation, the obligations for which they have been designated;
- provide the necessary collaboration for the proper functioning of the Federation;
- support the Federation financially through the payment of an annual fee and/or to provide extra resources determined by the Members' General Assembly, upon proposal of the Presidency Office.

**Article 8 - Admission procedures for members.**

1. In order to join the Federation, anyone who has an interest in membership can submit a written application to the Presidency Office, which is the body responsible for deciding on admission. In this application it must also be specified that the applicant undertakes to accept the internal rules and regulations of this Statute, to observe the instructions issued by the Presidency Office and the Assembly and to participate in the Federation's activities.

2. The Presidency Office decides on admission or rejection within 90 (ninety) days from the submission of the application. The Presidency Office must decide according to non-discriminatory

criteria, consistent with the objectives pursued and the activities of general interest carried out.

3. The acceptance of the application is communicated to the new member within 30 (thirty) days from the date of the deliberation who must then be registered in the member register.

4. Any rejection measure must be motivated and communicated in writing to the interested party within and no later than 30 (thirty) days from the date of the resolution. Against it, the interested party may appeal to the Ordinary Assembly, within and no later than 30 (thirty) days from the date of receipt of the communication, by means of a specific request that must be forwarded to the Presidency Office by registered letter, certified e-mail or other suitable means to attest its receipt; the Ordinary Assembly must take place within 30 (thirty) days from the date of receipt of the petition. The appellant's right to be heard must be guaranteed in the Assembly.

**Article 9 - Withdrawal and exclusion.**

WITHDRAWAL. In addition to the cases provided for by law, the federated member who is no longer shares the objectives of the Federation can withdraw. The notice of withdrawal must be received by the Presidency Office within October 31st of the calendar year preceding the effective date of the withdrawal.

EXCLUSION. The exclusion will be decided by the Assembly towards the federated member who:

a. does not comply with the provisions of this statute, the

company regulations, the resolutions legally adopted by the corporate bodies;

**b.** has not carried out the entire payment of the federation fee for two consecutive years, upon written invitation from the President to the federated member, with the imposition to pay the federation fees within 60 days of its notification;

**c.** carries out activities in competition with or contrary to the interests of the Federation.

The resolutions adopted for the exclusion are notified to the member via certified e-mail or registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt. The appeal against exclusion, under penalty of forfeiture, must be notified to the Presidency, no later than 15 days after receipt.

The submission for appeal does not have suspensive effect on the exclusion and its possible acceptance does not give the right to compensation for damages.

The withdrawal or exclusion of members does not give the right to reimbursement of the fees paid.

#### **TITLE IV**

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE FEDERATION**

#### **ARTICOLE 10 - Corporate Bodies.**

Organs of the Federation are:

- **General Assembly;**
- **Presidency Office;**

- **President and Vice President;**

- **Scientific Committee;**

- **Auditing Body.**

All members of the corporate bodies remain in office for 4 (four) years from the date of appointment and can be re-elected.

**CHAPTER 1 - GENERAL ASSEMBLY: COMPOSITION, METHOD OF  
CONVOCATION AND OPERATION**

**ARTICLE 11 - GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The General Assembly is the supreme governing body and expression of the will of the Federation and is made up of all federated members through their respective representatives.

This body is sovereign regarding everything that pertains to the Federation and the decisions taken must be respected by all the members.

The General Assembly is convened by the President of the Federation with a notice of at least 15 (fifteen) days, with written notice, sent by any means that allows proof of receipt, to each of the members communicating the day, time, place of the meeting and the agenda.

The meeting can be held in audio / video connection through remote communication tools provided that:

- the President may ascertain the identity and legitimacy of those present, regulate how the meeting unfolds, ascertain and announce the results of the vote;

- the person taking the minutes is allowed to adequately perceive

the events that are the subject of the minutes;

- those present are allowed to participate in the discussion and vote simultaneously on the items on the agenda.

**ARTICLE 12.- ORDINARY AND EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY**

The meetings of the General Assembly may be ordinary or extraordinary.

The General Assembly meets in ordinary session at least once a year within the four months following the end of the financial year, for the approval of the financial statements and the social report (where the preparation of the latter is mandatory or deemed appropriate).

The General Assembly meets in extraordinary session, for statutory amendments and for the dissolution of the Federation, or for the assumption of the resolution of merger, demerger and transformation; it is also convened, when requested by the Presidency Office or, with written motivation, by at least 25% of the federated members in good standing with the payment of the member fee.

**ARTICLE 13.- ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The Assembly is validly constituted:

- on first call with the presence of at least half plus one of the federated members with the right to vote,
- on second call, whatever the number of members with the right to vote.

The second call must be held at least one hour after the first,

in the same place.

The secretary of the Assembly will be the same who will hold the office of secretary in the Presidency Office.

#### **ARTICLE 14 - VALIDITY OF THE MEETING'S RESOLUTIONS**

The assembly resolutions are passed by a simple majority of the votes present and represented.

In order to deliberate on the cessation of a member or the appointment of members to the Presidency Office, amendments to the Articles of Association, the appointment of new members, the constitution of a Federation of Associations or the integration of an existing Federation of Associations, a qualified majority of two thirds of the members or their representatives will be required.

#### **ARTICLE 15 - MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES AND AND QUORUM OF THE ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The responsibilities of the Ordinary General Assembly are:

- a) to appoint and dismiss members of the corporate bodies;
- b) to appoint and dismiss, when required, the person in charge of the legal accounting audit;
- c) to approve the final balance sheet, budget and, when required by law or deemed appropriate, the social balance sheet, as well as the annual income, expenses and activities;
- d) to resolve on the responsibility of the members of corporate bodies and promote actions of responsibility towards them;
- e) to deliberate on the exclusion of members

f) to approve regulation of the meeting proceedings;

g) to resolve on the other subjects attributed to it by law, from the memorandum of association or statute to its responsibilities.

h) to approve, where foreseen, the activities and management of the Presidency Office;

i) to establish the general lines of implementation that allow the Federation to pursue its goals;

l) to establish the ordinary and extraordinary shares for each member;

The ordinary assembly is responsible for any other activity that is not exclusive to the extraordinary assembly.

## **ARTICLE 16.- RESPONSABILITIES AND QUORUM OF THE EXTRAORDINARY**

### **GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Responsibilities of the extraordinary General Assembly:

a) amendments to the Statute;

b) organisation or transfer of the Federation's assets;

c) dissolution, transformation, merger or division of the Federation;

d) exclusion of a member on proposal of the Presidency Office;

e) admission of a new member upon proposal of the Presidency Office;

f) dismissal of a member of the Presidency Office;

g) drafting and approval of internal regulations.

**CHAPTER II - PRESIDENCY OFFICE: COMPOSITION, RULES OF  
CONVOCATION, FUNCTIONING AND VOTING**

**ARTICLE 17 - COMPOSITION OF THE PRESIDENCY OFFICE**

The Federation is administered by a Presidency Office formed by the President, 1 to 3 Vice Presidents (The 1st Vice President will be the one with signing power) a Secretary, a Treasurer and a minimum of two and a maximum of five additional members.

There is no remuneration for the members who will be appointed by the Ordinary General Assembly and may be dismissed by the Extraordinary General Assembly.

**ARTICLE 18.- SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS AND SUBSTITUTION**

A member may cease the office by resigning voluntarily via written communication to the Presidency Office, due to dismissal by the Extraordinary Assembly, in the event of failure to comply with the obligations entrusted him, due to expiry of the mandate or due to death.

The member's vacant position can be occupied via appointment of a new member by the General Assembly. However, temporarily, the Presidency Office can operate even in the presence of a vacant post.

**ARTICLE 19.- RULES OF CONVOCATION**

The Presidency Office will meet at least once every six months; in all cases on the proposal of the President or one third of its members. It is convened by letter or email containing the agenda, sent within 6 days before the date set for the meeting.

The Presidency Office meets at the registered office or at the location indicated in the notice of meeting and can take place via audio / video connection through remote communication tools (videoconference, teleconference), provided that::

- the President can ascertain the identity and legitimacy of those present, conduct the meeting, ascertain and communicate the results of the vote;
- the person taking the minutes is allowed to adequately perceive the meeting events subject to minutes;
- attendees are allowed to participate in the discussion and simultaneously vote the items on the agenda.

It will be validly constituted in the presence of at least half plus one of its members. The resolutions of the Presidency Office can be adopted with the majority of its components.

**ARTICLE 20.- RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PRESIDENCY OFFICE**

The responsibilities of the Presidency Office are:

- to carry out the management and administration in the manner required by law in compliance with the decisions taken by the General Assembly;
- take the necessary actions to appear before public bodies in

order to carry out all types of legal actions and for any appeals;

- convoke the General Assembly and verify that the resolutions adopted are carried out;

- present the Financial Statements and the state of the accounts for each financial year to the General Assembly and propose the financial forecast for the following financial year;

- draw up an annual report of activities and submit it to the General Assembly for approval;

- hire the technical team necessary for proper management and development of the Federation's interests;

- carry out inspections of the bookkeeping in order to ensure the correct functioning of the services;

- promote activities in order to obtain public funding, subsidies or financial aid for the Federation;

- temporarily solve any case not foreseen in the Federation's statute and report on the events that occurred at the next Ordinary or Extraordinary General Assembly;

- create work groups in order to reach the Federation's objectives and report regularly on the completion of their activities;

- any other faculty that is not attributed specifically or exclusively to the General Assembly or that is expressly delegated to the Presidency Office.

**ARTICLE 21.- DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS**

The Presidency Office may delegate functions to one or more expressly appointed delegate.

Likewise, he can grant them general or special powers.

**CHAPTER III: PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT**

**ARTICLE 22 - ROLE OF THE PRESIDENT**

The President of the Federation will also be President of the Presidency Office. The following functions belong to the President:

- a) represent the Federation in any matters that have to do with any public or private body, as well as to assume the direction and management of the same;
- b) oversee that the Federation's objectives are pursued;
- c) order payments and sign documents, deeds and correspondence. These functions can be delgated to any member of the Presidency Office;
- d) express a decisive vote in the event of a tie within the Presidency Office;
- e) adopt any urgent means in order to ensure the good administration of the Federation or the development of its activities, without delay, and subsequently report it to the Presidency Office;
- f) carry out tasks and roles that are delegated by the General

Assembly or by the Presidency Office

#### **ARTICLE 23 - SUBSTITUTION OF THE PRESIDENT**

The President will be replaced, in case of absence for justified reasons or due to illness, by one of the Vice Presidents identified by the President himself. If the delegated Vice President is (are) also absent, he will be replaced by the most senior member of the Presidency Office.

#### **ARTICLE 24 - CESSATION OF THE ROLE OF PRESIDENT AND VICE**

##### **PRESIDENT**

The President and Vice President cease their roles in the following situations:

- a) due to resignation, communicated in writing to the Assembly;;
- b) due to loss of membership of the Federation;
- c) due to dismissal, through the resolution of the Extraordinary Assembly. In this case an absolute majority vote will be required.

#### **CHAPTER IV:**

#### **ARTICLE 25 - MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE**

The President, having consulted the Presidency Office, entrusts the activities relating to the achievement of the objectives of ordinary functioning and strategic development, programmed by

the corporate bodies, to employees of local institutions and to subjects deemed suitable for curricula and skills, through collaborative assignments and fixed-term hiring.

#### **ARTICLE 26 - TREASURER**

The Treasurer, identified in the manner referred to in Article 11, is responsible for the proper financial management of the Federation. Exercises the bookkeeping and collaborates, with the organisation in charge, on the budget forecast and financial statement; foresees to the collection of the Federation's revenues and payment of expenses, fulfilling the regulations of the corporate bodies.

### **CHAPTER V: SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE**

#### **ARTICLE 27 - COMPOSITION AND DURATION**

1. The Scientific Committee is the Federation's advisory organ with regard to the cultural and scientific profiles of the Federation.

2. If established, it is composed of a variable number of members chosen by the Presidency Office among personalities of recognized national and international prestige in the field connected to the past mining activity heritage and the cult of Santa Barbara and in any case in the sectors of interest of the Federation.

3. The Scientific Committee is in office for 4 years.

4. The members of the Scientific Committee are entitled to travel and accommodation expenses but not to an attendance allowance or any other form of salary.

#### **ARTICLE 28 - RESPONSIBILITIES**

In particular, the following responsibilities can be attributed to the Scientific Committee:

1. Promote the objectives of the Federation and support the work of the Presidency Office.

2. Participate in the planning of the itineraries and in the promotion of the Mining Civilisation and the cult for Santa Barbara.

3. Present proposals regarding initiatives such as seminars, conferences, research, presentations and cultural activities.

4. Express opinions upon request for the integration of the cultural itineraries by region, site, etc., linked to the mining civilisation and the cult of Santa Barbara..

5. Contributes to the drafting of the Federation's educational programme, proposing scientific seminars on topics related to cultural itineraries, intercultural dialogue, sustainable development, etc.

6. Creates synergies with scientists and other potential partners in order to support the work of the Federation and expand its network.

7. Expresses opinions on the Federation's decisions, ensuring

compliance with the principles and values of the Council of Europe.

## **CHAPTER VI: AUDITING BOARD**

### **ARTICLE 29 - AUDITING BOARD**

The auditing board, if appointed, consists of a single component, elected by the General Assembly, not necessarily among the members of the Federation. The component of the Audit Board must be listed in the register of legal auditors.

The auditing board remains in office for 4 (four) years and its component is eligible for re-election.

The auditing board has the task of carrying out the legal audit of the accounts.

The auditing board draws up minutes of its meetings, which are then transcribed in the appropriate book of meetings and resolutions of this board and kept in the Federation's headquarters;

In the event that, due to resignation or other causes, the component of the Auditing Board should leave office before expiration of his term of office, he shall be replaced by new election by the Assembly.

The component of the auditing board must be independent and exercise his functions objectively and impartially, as well as not being able to hold other offices within the Federation.

**TITLE VII: FINANCING REGIME AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES**

**ARTICLE 30 - FINANCIAL YEAR**

The financial year begins on the first of January and ends on 31 December and coincides with a calendar year. All financial statements submitted to the Assembly will be expressed in Euro. The Federation will operate under the annual budget regime. The Forecast Budget will be drawn up by the Federation's Treasurer within the 1st of January each year, so it then can be approved by the Ordinary General Assembly.

**ARTICLE 31 - ECONOMIC RESOURCES OF THE FEDERATION**

The economic resources of the Federation can come from:

- public subsidies;
- donations, inheritances of all kinds;
- income from the federation's assets;
- income obtained through lawful activities carried out taking into account the statutory objectives;
- funds whose management is entrusted to the programs in which it participates, which will be used to finance the activities carried out;
- funds whose management is included in the programs dedicated to financing the activities that are carried out;
- the annual member fees intended to cover the ordinary expenses of the technical-administrative management of the Federation.

The amount of the annual fee will be proposed annually by the Presidency Office of the Federation and approved by the Ordinary General Assembly, provided that the collection of the fees must take place within the first three months of the year.

#### **TITLE VIII: LANGUAGE**

##### **ARTICLE 32 - OFFICIAL LANGUAGES**

The official languages of the Federation will be Italian and English. Notwithstanding the provisions of the previous paragraph, in the event of any interpretative doubts or regarding the Statute and the documentation of the Federation, the written version in Italian will prevail. The meetings of the General Assembly will be held in the official languages chosen by the Presidency, also through simultaneous translations.

#### **TITLE IX: DISSOLUTION, CLOSURE AND CONTROVERSIES**

##### **ARTICLE 33 - DISSOLUTION**

The Federation will be dissolved by an agreement adopted by a qualified majority of two thirds of the members who are part of the Assembly due to the legal or material impossibility of achieving the statutory objectives and purposes. This agreement must be made within the Extraordinary General Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of Article 17 of the present Statute.

**ARTICLE 34 - CLOSURE**

The assembly that approves the dissolution appoints a liquidator. It also decides on the destination of the assets remaining from the liquidation itself, within the limits referred to in the following paragraph.

In the event of dissolution, closure or resolution, the residual assets, after liquidation, will be compulsorily devolved, unless otherwise required by law, to one or more Third Sector Entities or, failing that, to the "Fondazione Italia Sociale" according to the provisions of the Article 9 of the Third Sector Code.

**ARTICLE 35 - CONTROVERSIE**

All disputes arising within the Federation between the members, between the members of the Board or between the partners, shall be subject to the Italian jurisdiction and the Court of Cagliari.

For anything not foreseen in this Statute, the laws in force on the subject apply.