

*ARTICLES***I NAME**

A Federation is set up by the Associations of Dietitians, having as its title:
The European Federation of the Associations of Dietitians (EFAD)

II AIMS

The aims of EFAD are to:

- promote the development of the dietetic profession
- develop dietetics on a scientific and professional level in the common interest of the member associations
- facilitate communication between national dietetic associations and other organisations – professional, educational, and governmental
- encourage a better nutrition situation for the population of the member countries of Europe.

These aims shall be pursued in co-operation within the member associations and with international organisations.

EFAD is a non-profit making organisation that does not pursue any political or religious ends.

III REGISTERED OFFICE

EFAD is registered at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry for Oost-Brabant, Eindhoven, The Netherlands. Reg. Nr. 40215656

IV MEMBERSHIP

Full membership of the Federation is open to National Associations of Dietitians from any country in the WHO European Region and

- who admit members meeting the EFAD definition of dietitian and
- whose level of education meets the European Academic and Practitioner Standards for Dietetics

Affiliated membership is open to all other relevant associations of dietitians and/or nutritionists.

Education Associate membership is open to all Higher Education Institutions in Europe that are recommended by all the NDA members of EFAD in their country (where such NDAs exist) and are teaching (or working towards teaching) the European Dietetic Academic and Practitioner standards and other EFAD educational standards

*ARTICLES - continued***IV MEMBERSHIP (continued)**

Honorary members are persons who have distinguished themselves in the service of dietetics.

Termination of Membership

In addition to the non-payment of membership fees, the Executive Committee may recommend to the General Meeting the termination of any member for any other relevant reason.

Proposals to remove existing members have to be approved by two thirds of those present or represented at the General Meeting

Decisions of the General Meeting regarding the termination of a membership are final. Organisations whose membership has been terminated will not be eligible to re-apply for one year from the date that the decision is taken and must have corrected the factor for which the membership was terminated before re-applying

V GENERAL MEETING

The General Meeting is the policy and decision-making body of EFAD

The General Meeting is made up of representatives of each of the member associations. It is held at least every second year.

The invitation with a draft agenda is sent out by the Executive Director at least six months before the General Meeting.

Each member Association has a right to only one vote.
A member association is entitled to vote by proxy.

Decisions on alterations to the Articles will only be taken on a 2/3 majority of votes cast in favour.

Votes on all other matters will be by a simple majority of votes cast in favour.
In the event of an equal number of votes cast, the Honorary President will have a casting vote.

The General Meeting can suspend one of the Executive Committee, the Honorary President or a member association at any time. Vacancies will be filled as soon as possible or by election at the following General Meeting.

The Honorary President chairs the General Meetings

VI EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

An Extraordinary General Meeting can be called by the Honorary President or on the written request of a quarter of the member associations of EFAD.

The reason for calling the Extraordinary General Meeting must be submitted in writing to each member association at least two months before the date of the Extraordinary General Meeting.

Each member association has a right to one vote only.
A member association is entitled to vote by proxy.

Decisions on alterations to the Articles will only be taken on a 2/3 majority of votes cast in favour.
Votes on all other matters will be by a simple majority of votes cast in favour.

In the event of an equal number of votes cast, the Honorary President will have a casting vote.

These articles were approved by 30th General Meeting in October 2019

*ARTICLES – continued***VII EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The role of the Executive Committee is to implement the policies and decisions of the General Meeting

The Executive Committee is made up of an Honorary President, an Honorary Vice President and an Honorary Treasurer and a minimum of three member associations, plus the chairs of the committees.

The work of the Executive Committee is supported by a Executive Director.

The Honorary President chairs the executive committee meetings

A quorum for the Executive Committee will be $\frac{1}{2}$ plus one of the Executive Committee members.

A member association can have no more than two representatives on the Executive Committee.

The member associations of the Executive Committee and the Honorary President are elected by the General Meeting for four years from among the full members of EFAD.

All members of the Executive Committee are eligible for re-election

The Executive Committee meets at least once a year.

Each member of the Executive Committee has a right to only one vote.

Decisions are taken on a simple majority of votes cast in favour. In the event of an equal number of votes, the Honorary President will have a casting vote.

Two members of the Executive Committee acting together (one of whom would normally be the Honorary President, the other the Executive Director), are authorised to represent EFAD.

The Honorary Treasurer, the Honorary President and the Executive Director are authorised to legally receive and pay in the name of the Federation but to a maximum amount, to be determined by the General Meeting for a maximum period of two years

*ARTICLES – continued***VIII RESOURCES**

The resources of EFAD consist of:

- Subscriptions of member Associations fixed by the Ordinary General Meeting on a proposal of the Executive Committee;
- Grants and other resources authorised by law.

IX DISSOLUTION OF EFAD

Decisions on dissolution of EFAD can only be taken at an Extraordinary General Meeting.

Decisions on dissolution of EFAD will only be taken on a 2/3 majority of votes cast in favour.

In the event of dissolution of EFAD the Extraordinary General Meeting decides by simple majority upon the use of the residual funds.

X INTERIM REGULATIONS

An interim regulation may be established by the Executive Committee, but this must be approved, amended or discontinued by the next general meeting.

This Article is intended to allow for the continued administration of EFAD

XI LANGUAGE

The official language of EFAD is English

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