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Observer status Applications

3.4 Application for Observer status

An application for Observer status may be submitted if there is no existing Member or Observer in the state of the national organisation applying and it shall include:

- a. The statutes and standing orders of the applicant which shall be compatible with those of ELSA;
- b. A declaration in which the applicant expresses its commitment to the aims and activities of ELSA and its will to become Observer;
- c. A report stating ~~by whom the status of the applicant is recognised~~; ~~whether the applicant is recognised by any institutions in their country~~;
- ~~d. A document containing an official confirmation or explanation that the applicant has attained legal personality within the state it operates.~~
- d. A report describing the organisational structure of the applicant, including guarantees for continuity;
- e. An action plan for the period in which the applicant shall hold Observer status.

Membership Applications

3.5 Application for Membership

An application for Membership may be submitted by an Observer no earlier than at the ~~second~~ fourth regular International Council Meeting immediately following the regular International Council Meeting where Observer status was attained and it shall include:

- a. The statutes and standing orders of the applicant which shall be compatible with those of ELSA;
- b. A declaration in which the applicant expresses its commitment to the aims and activities of ELSA and its will to become Member;
- ~~c. A report stating by whom the status of the applicant is recognised;~~
- c. A document containing an official confirmation or explanation that the applicant has attained legal personality within the state it operates;
- d. A list of income and expenses related to its current financial year and a fundraising plan regarding fulfilment of future financial obligations towards ELSA;
- e. A report stating the organisational structure of the applicant, including guarantees for continuity;
- f. A report stating the applicant's activities during its period as Observer.

Direct Membership Applications

~~3.6 Application for Direct Membership~~

~~An application for Direct Membership shall include:~~

- ~~a. The statutes and standing orders of the applicant which shall be compatible with those of ELSA;~~
- ~~b. A declaration in which the applicant expresses its commitment to the aims and activities of ELSA and its will to become Member;~~
- ~~c. A report stating by whom the status of the applicant is recognised;~~
- ~~d. A document containing an official confirmation or explanation that the applicant has attained legal personality within the State it operates;~~
- ~~e. A list of income and expenses related to its current financial year and a fundraising plan regarding fulfilment of future financial obligations towards ELSA;~~
- ~~f. A report stating the organisational structure of the applicant, including guarantees for continuity;~~
- ~~g. A report stating the applicant's activities during its period as an active Local Group or a group of active Local Groups.~~

Demotion

5.6 Demotion

If a related proposal is submitted to the International Council by the International Board or a Member, the membership of another Member can be demoted to Observership with a two-thirds majority of the votes cast by the International Council if:

- a. that Member has not duly fulfilled its financial obligations towards ELSA and has not signed a payment agreement with ELSA on that matter for two consecutive regular International Council Meetings; or
- b. that Member has not elected or appointed a National Board for four consecutive regular International Council Meetings; or
- c. that Member has not been represented, personally or by proxy, in four consecutive regular International Council meetings without good reason; or
- d. that Member has not obtained voting rights during four consecutive regular International Council Meetings; or
- e. that Member has not attained legal status for four consecutive regular International Council Meetings after losing it and has not taken necessary steps to attain it.

Termination

5.7 Termination

Observership or membership immediately ends:

- a. if an Observer does not attain membership for four consecutive regular International Council Meetings following the one where the Observer can apply for membership and this period is not extended by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast by the International Council; or
- b. if an Observer or a Member sends a written notification, signed by all elected members of its board, to the International Board stating its intention to terminate its Observership or membership with a decision taken in accordance with its statutes and the domestic law of the State where the Observer or Member is based; or
- c. if an Observer or a Member sends written notification to the International Board stating its dissolution as decided by its council in accordance with its statutes and the domestic law of the State where the Observer or Member is based; or
- d. if an Observer or a Member sends written notification to the International Board stating its dissolution as decided by a supreme domestic decision-making instance whereby the dissolution takes effect according to the domestic law of the State where the Observer or Member is based;
- ~~e. from the moment the International Board is informed that an Observer or a Member lost its legal personality; or~~
- f. if an Observer or Member is expelled from ELSA by the International Council.

ELSA Belarus

- 74th ICM Opatija Autumn 2018 – last ICM attendance (presence in Opening Plenary only)
- 73rd ICM Lviv Spring 2018 – last full ICM attendance with voting rights
- Debt since 2017/2018 – €3,478.95
- No communication since at least 2018/2019
- No information about internal situation / existence

ELSA Bosnia and Herzegovina

- 77th ICM Spring 2020 and 78th ICM Online Autumn 2020 – presence in Opening Plenary only
- 75th ICM Baku Spring 2019 – last full ICM attendance with voting rights
- Debt since 2017/2018 – €1,056.50
- Legality issues
- HR issues – no motivation of other officers to revive NG



ELSA Cyprus

- 74th ICM Opatija Autumn 2018 – last ICM attendance (with voting rights)
- Debt since 2017/2018 - €631.04
- Legality issues – no legal personality, no statutes
- HR issues – no motivation of other officers to revive NG
- Lack of ELSA know-how



ELSA Latvia

- 75th ICM Baku Spring 2019 – last ICM attendance (with voting rights)
- Debt since 2019/2020 – €6,171.38
- Scarce communication via Facebook only
- HR issues – no motivation of other officers to revive NG
- No interest in reviving NG according to previous officer



ELSA Russia

- 75th ICM Baku Spring 2019 – last ICM attendance (with voting rights)
- Debt since 2019/2020 – €3,418.11
- Scarce communication