

TechForSpace

STATUTES

14th April 2016

Toulouse

1. Aim and composition of the association

Article 1

A new association (as determined by the French law of the 1th July 1901 and the decree of the 16th august 1901) is founded between the supporters of these statutes. This association is called TechForSpace and may be also hereafter called by its acronym, TFS.

Article 2

The aim of the association is to promote aerospace activities among the general public, by means of the following activities:

- Scientific and technical communication of any kind (including, but not limited to, publications on its Internet site, other publications, lectures, etc);
- Supervision of scientific or engineering projects, carried out internally or in cooperation with external collaborators

For the accomplishment of these objectives, the association activities are described rules and regulations of the association. Given its objectives, the activities of this association is beyond any type of political, ideological, religious or racial influence.

Article 3

The head office is located in 13, Rue Saint-Férréol, Appartement 3, 31000 Toulouse. The head office can be moved by simple decision of the board.

Article 4

The association consists of:

- Members
- Supporting Members

The yearly subscription to the association TechForSpace is determined in the rules and regulations of the association. It may be re-assessed each year during the ordinary general meeting, on proposal by the board.

Article 5 – The members

A member is someone who, regardless of their physical location, has committed to participate in the association's activities. This person must also have paid their subscription and confirm their commitment during each ordinary general meeting.

A Supporting Member is someone who has done informed donations to the association. A Supporting Member does not have the right to vote on the general meeting. The Supporting Members are appointed by a decision of the board.

The board can refuse membership with a reasoned opinion.

Article 6 – Loss of membership

The state of active member of the association is lost through:

- Resignation
- Death
- Non-confirmation of commitment during the ordinary general meeting or non-renewal of subscription
- Expulsion decided by the board due to a weighty reason. The affected member will be invited to provide explanations

2. Management and operation

Article 7 – Board

The association is managed by a board, elected each year by the general assembly. The members can be re-elected. Board members other than the president, the vice-president, the treasurer and the secretary are defined by the rules and regulations of the association.

During the general assembly, each candidate runs for a particular position. In case of not being elected, it is possible for them to run for another position in the council. The following positions are decided, on the following order:

1. A president
2. A vice-president
3. A treasurer
4. A secretary
5. Other members of the council as mentioned by the rules and regulations

In case of a vacant position, the board can replace that member during meeting, by temporarily extending the powers of one or several members of the board. The vacant position will be filled definitely after the next general meeting.

Members can be re-elected. Each member can only occupy one position, with the aforementioned exceptions of vacant positions.

Article 7bis – Minimum council

The council is composed of, at least, the association board (president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary). To this are added other positions of responsibility, as defined by the rules and regulations, which state explicitly which ones are part of the council.

The whole set of roles of the council and the board are described in the rules and regulations. The president represents the association on all civil procedures. Particularly, the president is the legal representative of the association, and must be in full function of their legal rights.

Article 7ter – Project team and eligibility

A project team represents the whole of members dedicated to the realization of a specific project within the association. It has a board of its own as described in the rules and regulations. Nevertheless, it is mandatory for the team to have at least one representative in the council.

The formation of a new project team must be agreed by the board. The board can refuse the formation of new teams.

Article 8 – Council meeting

The council will meet regularly, as required by the rules and regulations, by convocation by the president or by request of at least a quarter of the association's members. Decisions are taken by a majority of votes. In the event of a tie, the president shall have the casting vote.

Any member of the council that does not assist to three consecutive meetings without providing a justification will be considered to resign. One or several members of the association can be exceptionally invited to the council meeting, by the invitation of the president or one quarter of the council members. These members do not have voting rights on the decisions of the council.

Article 9 – Ordinary general assembly

The ordinary general assembly includes all association members. It will meet, at least, once per year. Fifteen days before the fixed date, the members of the association will be summoned by the secretary of the association. The agenda for the general assembly will be communicated to the members with the invitation to the meeting. The ordinary general assembly may be held by means of a teleconference.

The president, assisted by the members of the board, will chair the assembly and state the association's current situation. The treasurer will present his economical governance of the association and will submit the association's balance sheet to the assembly's approval. Once the discussion of the agenda is finished, the assembly shall proceed to replace the members of the council by secret vote. During the assembly, only the items mentioned at the agenda shall be discussed.

If certain members are not able to be physically present at the place of the general assembly, their vote can be cast in an electronic manner, according to the procedures outlined in the rules and regulations of the association.

Article 10 – General extraordinary assembly

The president can summon a general extraordinary assembly in case of need, or by request of more than half the association's members.

3. Finance

Article 11 –Refunds

The members of the association or the board must not receive any kind of payment due to the functions they perform. Only refunds of the costs incurred by carrying out tasks for the association may be given. They must be expressly approved by the council or the treasurer. Justifications (such as invoices) must be presented to the council and will be audited.

4. Intellectual property

Article 12 – Graphic charter

The graphic charter of the association TechForSpace is shared according to the Creative Commons licence¹ (attribution, non-commercial).



Article 13 – Original creations

In accordance with the objectives of TechForSpace, the creations by its members have the purpose of being shared by the public. The board reserves the right to derogate from this rule for certain activities, and always with the purpose of serving the association's objectives. The specific conditions and licences applicable will be specified for each project.

5. Rules and regulations and dissolution

Article 14 – Rules and regulations

A set of rules and regulations of the associations shall be established by the council. The modification of the rules and regulations shall be done by a vote of at least two thirds of the council. All members of the association shall be informed of any changes made and their justification. An extraordinary general assembly shall be summoned if more than one third of the members challenge the aforementioned changes. All aspects of the statutes related to the rules and regulations of the association are explicitly mentioned. In case of contradiction between the rules and regulations and the statutes, the statutes shall prevail. The document stating the rules and regulations of the association must be signed and initialed by the whole current board. The rules and regulations shall define:

- the detailed internal organization of the association;
- the role of each member of the council;
- all other items non related to the legal grounds of the association and not included in the statutes that are judged necessary and advantageous to the association

Article 15 – Dissolution

The dissolution of the association may only be declared on a general assembly. The approval of at least two thirds of the members present in the assembly is needed to declare the dissolution of the association. If this is the case, one or several liquidators will be appointed by

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the general assembly. The association assets (if any) will be distributed according to the French association law (“article 9 de la loi du 1^{er} juillet 1901” and “décret du 16 août 1901”).

In case of voluntary, statutory or legal dissolution of the association, the extraordinary general assembly will determine the distribution of the association assets, after payment of all the debts of the association and all liquidation costs. In no case shall the remaining assets be assigned to the members of the association, except for the possible return of contributions by members. The remaining assets of the dissolved association may be distributed to:

- legal persons, or an entity recognized by either public or private law
- declared associations having a similar objective to the dissolved association

These statutes have been approved by the constitutive assembly of the 14th April 2016. The document is signed by the association’s representatives.

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