

STATUTE of the ASSOCIATION

ESEHA

Etat-Société-Economie-Histoire-Administration (ESEHA)

Staat-Gesellschaft-Wirtschaft-Geschichte-Verwaltung

Stato-Societa-Economia-Storia-Amministrazione

State-Society-Economy-History-Administration

(Translation from french [original version](#))

Art. 1 NAME

Under the name ESEHA (State-Society-Economy-History-Administration) is created an association in line with the meaning of articles 60 and ss. of the Swiss Civil Code. ESEHA is non-confessional and apolitical.

Art. 2 HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters of the Association is located at the domicile of one of the members of the administration.

Art. 3 SCOPE

The Association is of public utility and non-profit.

Its purpose is to promote knowledge about the state, its organization, its territories, its activities and administrations, about society, economy and history. ESEHA develops and supports inter- and multidisciplinary research and training on topics related to federalism, social and economic evolution in relation to political and administrative organization. It takes into account in the broadest sense the concepts of difference, diversity, inequality and justice, while seeking to promote the comparative approach.

Art. 4 PATRIMONY

The capital of the Association consists of the annual membership fees, donations and emoluments from third parties.

The members of the Association decide the amount of annual subscriptions.

The functioning and activities of the Association are provided by contributions or funding from third parties or public or private Swiss or international institutions, as well as contributions from participants in ESEHA activities. The commitments of the Association are guaranteed by the property of the Association, the individual responsibility of the members is excluded.

Art. 5 MEMBERS

Any individual or group that shares the goals of ESEHA and wishes to support it, can become a member of the Association. Membership is subject to the acceptance of the administration and the ratification of the assembly.

Applications must be addressed to the administration. The latter may refuse a nomination without giving reasons. Each individual or collective member has only one voting right, the plurality of votes is prohibited.

Any resignation must be communicated in writing to the administration. The latter may decide to exclude a member by a two-thirds majority of its members, without stating the reasons. The administration informs the resignation.

Art. 6 **CONSTITUTED BODIES**

The organs of ESEHA are:

- The Assembly of Members
- The Administration
- The Account Control

6.1 The ASSEMBLY of MEMBERS

The Assembly of Members meets at least once a year. It is convened by the administration and decides by the majority of the present members according to the planned agenda.

The special meeting may be convened at the request of at least 1/5 of the members having the right to vote.

The tasks of the assembly of members are:

- ratification of admission, resignation and exclusion of members;
- the decision on the amount of the annual subscription;
- the election of the administration;
- the appointment of the audit of the accounts;
- the acceptance of the activity report.

6.2 ADMINISTRATION

The administration is composed of at least 3 members. The functioning duration of the administration is four years, renewable.

The administration:

- is constituted autonomously, decides the headquarters of the association and manages it. It meets as many times as necessary.
- defines the principles governing the activity of ESEHA, takes all measures to achieve its objective and ensures the application of the statutes;
- administers the property of the Association and makes decisions concerning the budget;
- represents ESEHA vis-à-vis third parties and commits it validly with a collective signature to two;
- designates the persons who have received delegation of signature and defines the type of signature;
- decides on the admission and exclusion of members;
- prepare the annual report and convene the assembly of members;
- decides on the creation of an operational direction;

6.3 ACCOUNT CONTROL

The General Assembly appoints the auditor for a period of four years. He is eligible for re-election. Account control is his responsibility. He draws up an annual report to be addressed to the meeting of the members.

The accounting year of the Association covers the period from January 1st to December 31st of each year.

Art. 7 The OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT

The operational management is the project management body of the Association. It builds itself up and can employ collaborators;

- evaluates and decides on projects in relation to the objectives of the Association;
- ensures the financial management of the projects, the latter having to finance themselves;
- submits, acquires or assigns research or training mandates;
- promotes the creation of a network of collaboration and partnership with national and international research centers, universities, public institutions and administrations or other public or private law organizations with similar aims;
- plan and choose a scientific advisory board.

Art. 8 AMENDMENTS OR COMPLEMENTS

The meeting of members may change or amend the statute with the consent of two-thirds of its members.

Art. 9 DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION

In case of dissolution of the Association, subject to the approval of 2/3 of the members meeting in extraordinary assembly, the remaining assets of the latter will be transmitted to an organization with the same objectives

Art. 10 RATIFICATION

The statutes were adopted by the Constituent Assembly of members of April 16, 2013. The statutes enter into force immediately.

For all that is not explicitly provided by the statutes, articles 60 and ss. of the Swiss Civil Code refer to.

The founding members: