

STATUTE

ART. 1

Denomination

The national Association "ANTIGONE" is constituted in Rome.

The Association is not profit-making, it is independent and it is connected with no political party or group institutionally represented.

The Association will use in the denomination and in any public occasion the phrase "organization not profit-making of social usefulness" or the acronym "onlus".

ART. 2

Purposes

The purpose of the Association is that of studying and doing research on law, justice, punishments.

The Association intends to promote cultural projects directed to expand the debate on these topics and on related political issues, and to extend the social interest on them.

The Association wants to develop its own internal debate on these subjects always in comparison with what happens in the other European Countries.

The Association also intends to promote cultural projects of analysis and information on penitentiary condition, directed to the respect of Italian Constitution.

ART. 3

Social object

The Association intends:

- to promote and coordinate studies, researches, debates and seminars;
- to promote research, collection, storing of material and documents concerning its activity;
- to propose laws and emendations of laws in course of discussion, on which to realize the broadest agreement of Parliamentarians;
- to publish materials and outcomes of its researches;
- to promote projects in coordination with other Associations operating in the same or in connected fields, or to cooperate to projects undertaken by these Associations;
- to promote the creation of an Advisory Body made up of European Parliamentarians, Italian Parliamentarians, Regional Parliamentarians and Local Administrators that could promote institutional initiatives directed to perform law modifications in the field of penal law, penal justice and penitentiary law, in the direction indicated in the last paragraph of Art. 2 above;
- to promote informational campaigns and public events concerning its topics;
- to promote and organize training courses addressed to prison workers, social workers, prisoners, ex-prisoners and socially marginalized subjects, directed to place them in the work environment.

The Association pursues exclusively the above purposes. The Association is not allowed to perform other activities, except the activities directly connected with the mentioned ones.

ART. 4

Members

The Association is made up of ordinary and honorary members. Ordinary members apply for it and are accepted by the Executive Committee, that decide by a simple majority of its members. Honorary members are appointed by the Assembly, without the preclusions provided for by this article, among those who have specific requirements or can bring specific contributions to the Association.

Other Associations and public or private Corporations can join the Association; in such cases they are represented by one delegated, that must be accepted by the Executive Committee as in the case of ordinary members.

The Executive Committee, by a simple majority of its members, can decide to expel a member of the Association because of conducts conflicting with the rules of the Association.

Members of local Associations are automatically members of the National Association.

Hence - respecting the rules for the protection of the privacy - before the end of each month the local Associations must transmit to the National bodies the data related to the new members.

Prisoners with sentences become final cannot be accepted as members of the National Association nor of the local ones, except than by a decision of at least two-thirds of the the National Executive Committee.

For prisoners with sentences become final, the National Executive Committee and the local Executive Committees establish the forms of participation at the Association's activity.

A member of the Association is debarred from the membership when his/her registration is not renewed.

ART. 5

Local Associations

The foundation of local Associations "ANTIGONE" is possible. They adopt this Statute; their foundation is decided by the National Executive Committee.

They must respect the Statute and the decisions of the National Association's social bodies.

The National Executive Committee decides - by the majority of its members - what measures to adopt in case of violation of the second paragraph of this article, including the suspension of the local bodies.

ART. 6

Local bodies of the Association

The local bodies of the Association are:

- the Assembly of members
- the President
- the Executive Committee
- the Treasurer.

The Treasurer is responsible for economic management and must present the budget every year. Articles 8, 9, 10 and 11 above hold - for what is compatible - for local Associations too.

ART. 7

National bodies of the Association

The national bodies of the Association are:

- the Assembly of members
- the President
- the Executive Committee
- the national coordinator
- the Treasurer
- the Scientific Committee
- the Board of "Probiviri"

The Treasurer is responsible for economic management and he/she must present the budget every year.

ART. 8

Incompatibility

1) Members of the European or Italian Parliament can be neither members of the Executive Committee, nor President or Treasures of the Association (locally or nationally).

2) Members of the European or Italian Parliament that are members of the Association are invited to the meetings of the Executive Committee.

ART. 9

Assembly of members

The Assembly of members meets at least once a year, and it is called by the President or by one-third of the members.

The convocation is presented at least ten days before and must contain the agenda.

Except in the cases provided for by article 18, the Assembly decides by the simple majority of the bystanders.

The Assembly orientates the Association's activity, elects and revoke the President and the members of the Executive Committee, subscribes to the budget, determines the membership fees and the fees that the local Associations must pay to the National Association for the development of national activities.

ART. 10

President

1) The President represents the Association; he/she stays in office for two years, except if he/she is revoked by the Assembly, and can be elect again.

2) The President calls and chairs the Assembly of members, the Scientific Committee and the first meeting after the election of the Executive Committee.

3) Old Presidents of the Association can be elected Honorary Presidents by the Assembly of members, and they take part by right to the meetings of the Executive Committee.

ART. 11

Executive Committee

1) The Executive Committee is made up of the President, the members by right provided for by this Statute and the members elected by the Assembly, in a number established by the Assembly itself; it stays in office for two years.

2) The Presidents of local Associations (see art. 5) are members by right of the Executive Committee. To the meetings of the Executive Committee also take part, without right of voting, the persons in charge in the working groups (see art. 12).

3) The Executive Committee meets at least once every three months; it decides on the acceptance of members, promotes the contacts with other Associations operating in the same field, identifies the policies to be submitted to the Assembly, leads and determines the activities directed to the achievement of the Association's aims.

4) The Executive Committee elects, among its members, the national Coordinator and the Treasurer, proposed by the President.

ART. 11 b

National Coordinator

1) The national Coordinator is responsible for the ordinary activity of the Association. He/she calls and chairs the meetings of the Executive Committee.

2) The national Coordinator replaces the President in every case of accomplishment. He/she can be delegated by the President to legally represent the Association.

ART. 11 t

National Treasurer

The national Treasurer is responsible for economic management and he/she must present the budget every year.

ART. 12

Working groups

The Executive Committee, on the basis of what the Assembly generally indicates, identifies the specific issues on which to operate through working groups made up of members and experts. Each working group elects among its members the person in chair, who calls the meetings and coordinates and represents the group during the meetings of the Executive Committee.

ART. 13

Scientific Committee

1) In order to support the activities mentioned in art. 3 above (first, second, fifth and last sentence), and in view of the general delineation of the Association's activities, the Assembly of members elects a Scientific Committee, made up of scholars and experts in the subjects with which the Association is concerned.

The Scientific Committee stays in office for two years.

ART. 14

Board of "Probiviri"

The Board of "Probiviri" - made up of three actual members and two additional ones, that can also be external to the Association - is elected every two years by the Assembly of members. The Board elects a President among its members, who calls it. It decides on issues proposed by members or social bodies - national or local - concerning conflicts between members and social bodies or between different social bodies (local or national), as well as on the interpretation of the Statute. Decisions are taken by a majority of votes.

ART. 15

Receipts

The receipts of the Association are:

- annual fees;
- donations by the members;
- donations by other subjects or Corporations, provided that they be unanimously accepted by the Executive Committee;
- income of Association's activities;
- every other source of income which arrives at the Association mortis causa.

ART. 16

Social year and rules on economic resources and wealth

The social year begins on January the first and ends on December the 31th of each year. The distribution (also indirect) of funds is forbidden during the Association's life, except when the distribution is imposed by the law or it is accomplished in favour of other "onlus" that, by law, statute or regulation, are part of the same structure.

The Association must use the budget surplus for the accomplishment of institutional activities or activities directly connected with the Association.

In case of dissolution of the Association, the Association itself must donate its funds to other not profit-making Organizations of social or public utilities, after having consulted the watchdog mentioned by the art. 3, paragraph 190, of the Law 23 December 1996, number 662 and possible subsequent modifications.

ART. 17

Yearly report

The Association must redact the yearly report; in order to do that, the ordinary Assembly is called every year not later than April the 30th.

ART. 18

Statute modifications

The Statute can be modified by resolution of the Assembly, adopted by the majority of two-thirds of the bystanders, except the articles 1, 2, 14 of the Statute, for which the majority of two-thirds of the members of the Association is necessary.

ART. 19

Reference

For whatever is not provided for by this Statute, the reference is to the rules established by the Civil Code.