

# Constitution (revised 08.03.2006)

## Constitution of the Association of European Athletics Meetings Organizers

The European Meeting Directors who were present at the meeting in Vienna on February 25<sup>th</sup>, 1979, have decided to form an association under the name EUROMEETINGS and to adopt the following rules:

### 1. Objectives

The purposes of the Association shall be:

- To promote co-operation and exchange of views in the field of organizing international athletics meetings.
- To co-operate with the international federations, i.e. the European Athletic Association (EAA) and the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF).

### 2. Membership

Eligible for membership in EUROMEETINGS are all European athletic meetings which have been on international level for at least three years. Applications for membership shall be forwarded to the Board of EUROMEETINGS which will submit these applications to the next general meeting of the members. The admission of a new member requires the simple majority of the members and the payment of an annual membership fee.

Membership ends:

- by notice (which must be given in writing by the end of a year);
- by exclusion. Reasons for exclusions are:
  - o gross violation of the Constitution of EUROMEETINGS;
  - o unpaid membership fees after having received two warnings.

### 3. Bodies

#### 3.1 General meeting of the members

#### 3.2 Board

All positions and functions of officers are honorary. However, expenses incurred in the interest of EUROMEETINGS may be compensated.

The term of office of the Board and the Council shall be four years ending with new elections.

Minutes shall be kept of all meetings and all decisions shall be entered in the minutes. All decisions of bodies shall be confidential if not explicitly meant for publication.

The general meeting shall preferably be held during international meetings, championships, Olympic Games or congresses of the international federations.

The board of EUROMEETINGS is authorized to negotiate with the IAAF, the EAA and all managers' groups and to take decisions or to make commitments on behalf of the members.

In meetings, each member shall have one vote. Guests – especially those from international federations – may, on the proposal of the Board, be invited and attend the meetings without being eligible to vote.

#### 3.1 General meeting

The general assembly shall be held every year and will be organized by the Board. The language of the meetings will be English. However, French and English shall be the official languages.

#### 3.2 Board

The Board shall consist of

- the president of EUROMEETINGS
- at least one vice-president
- the honorary treasurer
- the honorary secretary
- one member representing IAAF meetings
- one member of two different types of meeting, including special meetings

The office of the vice-president may be combined with any other office.

If a vacancy arises during a term of office, the Board shall have the power to elect a substitute for the rest of the term. The confirmation for this appointment shall be given during the next general meeting. The duties of the Board consist of establishing and maintaining contacts with the members of the association, the EAA and the IAAF.

All elections for the Board shall take place at the general meeting.

Re-election is permitted.

In principle EUROMEETINGS shall be represented by the president.

In the absence of the president, the vice-president shall represent EUROMEETINGS.

In administrative matters the honorary secretary shall have the power to sign.

The address of EUROMEETINGS shall be that of the honorary secretary.

4. Membership Fees

The general meeting shall fix the annual membership fee.

Only one fee will be demanded for these members organizing more than one meeting. The fees shall be collected by the office.

All members shall bear all expenses themselves when attending meetings of EUROMEETINGS. The Board may waive the payment of a fee due by a member.

5. Statement of Accounts

The Board shall give a statement of accounts at each general meeting.

6. Alteration of Constitution

Decisions to alter the Constitution require a 2/3 majority of those members who are present in the general meeting.

7. Liquidation

The liquidation of EUROMEETINGS requires a 2/3 majority of all its members present at the general meeting. The assets of EUROMEETINGS in this case shall be given to the European Athletic Association (EAA) to support youth athletics in Europe.

8. Coming into Force

Effective day of this agreement shall be March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1979 and renewed at March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2006.