Statutes of the

RYUKYU BUJUTSU VERBAND Europa

61169 Friedberg

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All gender-specific terms used in these statutes apply equally to persons of any gender.

For the sake of simplification and better understanding, the masculine form has been chosen for the most part.

This is in no way to be understood as discrimination against the other genders.

Preamble:

Aware of the values of sport and Budo and the importance of promoting Kobudo in the Shotokan style as well as other Japanese martial arts in Europe, we establish the "RYUKYU BUJUTSU ASSOCIATION Europe" (hereinafter referred to as the "Association") and set ourselves the goal of promoting these values to preserve and promote.

§1 Name, Seat

- 1. The name of the Association shall be RYUKYU BUJUTSU ASSOCIATION OF EUROPE.
- 2. It shall be entered in the Register of Associations and thereafter bear the suffix e. V.
- 3. The seat of the Association shall be 61169 Friedberg / Hesse.

§2 Goals, Purpose, Tasks

- 1. The association pursues exclusively and directly charitable purposes within the meaning of the section "Tax-privileged purposes" of the tax code in accordance with Section 52 (2) 21. the promotion of sport, here: Asian martial arts.
- 2. The purpose of the association is to promote and maintain Kobudo in the Shotokan style and other Japanese martial arts in Europe.

The association pursues this purpose in particular by:

- 2.1. The Europe-wide organisation and implementation of courses for the training and further education of karateka, kobudoka and kenshi, trainers and examiners, as well as the training of multipliers.
- 2.2. This takes place in close co-operation with the local member clubs, either as a face-to-face event or, where this is not possible, as an online event.
- 2.3. Coordinating and documenting the performance progress of its members and the members of its member clubs by supporting the examiners and trainers.
- 2.4. To promote the physical and mental development of its members and the members of its member clubs by supporting the training and practice of Kobudo and other Japanese martial arts in the member clubs.
- 2.5. To coordinate and represent the interests of its members in public, in particular liaising with public bodies and institutions as well as other sports organisations and associations.
- 2.6. The organisation and implementation of tournaments and championships, also in cooperation with non-European organisations and associations.
- 3. The association works selflessly. It does not primarily pursue its own economic purposes.

- 4. The association's funds may only be used for statutory purposes. The members do not receive any benefits from the association's funds.
- 5. No person may benefit from expenses that are alien to the purpose of the corporation or from disproportionately high remuneration
- 6. The association is politically neutral, it represents the principle of racial, religious and ideological tolerance and is unreservedly committed to the free democratic basic order of the Federal Republic of Germany.
- 7. It also expressly undertakes to respect the values of the European Union, as enshrined in Article 2 TEU.

§3 Membership

- 1. Membership in the association is open to all natural and legal persons who support the goals of the association and undertake to comply with these statutes.
- 2. The Association has ordinary, extraordinary, supporting and honorary members.
- 3. The board decides on admission after a written application. In the case of minors, the application for admission must be submitted by the legal representative.

A distinction is made between

- 1. Individuals
 - 1. Yudansha (with Dan graduation recognized by the association: full member).
 - 2. Mudansha (without Dan; associate member).
- 2. Club registration Clubs apply for Mudansha membership via their board or department management via a collective application.
- 4. Any natural or legal person who is willing to promote the goals of the association can be accepted as a supporting member. The board decides on admission after a written application.
- 5. Honorary members shall be appointed at the request of the General Assembly. The Honorary membership is free of charge.
- 6. Individuals can leave the association at the end of the year. The resignation must be declared in writing (also by email) to the board by September 30th of the same year at the latest.
 - Clubs will leave with retroactive effect as of December 31st. of the previous year if by March 31st. There is no club report for the current year.
- 7. The withdrawal of associations shall be retroactive to 31.12. of the previous year, if no notice of withdrawal has been given by 31.03. of the current year.
- 8. A member can be excluded from the association. An exclusion can only occur for important reasons. Important reasons include behavior that damages the club's goals, dishonorable behavior that damages the reputation of the club. In particular by communicating extremist attitudes or by violating the principles of child and youth protection, grossly unsportsmanlike behavior and the violation of statutory obligations. The board decides on the exclusion with a

simple majority. The member has the right to a hearing against the exclusion, which must be requested in writing within two weeks of the exclusion. The member reserves the right to review the measure by appealing to the ordinary courts. Members can be removed from the member list if they can no longer be contacted and/or have a dues arrears of at least one year and they do not meet their payment obligations despite payment requests. The executive board decides on this simplified exclusion of members with a simple majority.

- 9. Membership ends with the death of the member (in the case of legal entities, with their extinction).
- 10. The resigned or excluded member has no claim against the association's assets. A refund of membership fees, even proportionally, donations or deposits is excluded.
- 11. Members who resign or are excluded lose all licenses awarded by the association.
- 12. Full members have to pay membership fees. The amount and due date of membership fees are determined by the fee schedule.

§4 Board of Directors

- The executive board of the association consists of 3 people:
 President, the Vice President and the Treasurer. Additional board members can be elected by the general meeting in accordance with the rules of procedure.
- 2. The authorized representative board within the meaning of § 26 BGB consists of the president, the vice-president and the treasurer. Each of them represents the association individually.
- 3. The board is responsible for the administration of the association and represents the association externally.
- 4. The board is elected by the general meeting for a period of five years; However, each board member remains in office until a new election has taken place.
- 5. The board has a quorum if at least half of its members are present.
- 6. The resolutions of the board are passed with a simple majority. In the event of a tie, the President decides, and in his absence, the Vice President decides.
- 7. Board meetings can also be held online (not by telephone).
- 8. The deselection of individual board members must be approved by the majority of the members present and entitled to vote at an ordinary or extraordinary general meeting. The deselection of individual board members cannot be the subject of an urgent request.
- 9. Ordinary board meetings are called by the president 14 days in advance, stating the agenda.
- **10.** Every board member has the right to request an extraordinary board meeting, stating the reasons.

§5 General meeting

- 1. The ordinary general meeting takes place once a year. In addition, a general meeting must be called if the interests of the association require it or if at least 33% of the members request the meeting in writing, stating the purpose and reasons.
- 2. Every general meeting must be convened by the board in writing or in text form by email, observing an invitation period of four weeks and stating the agenda.
- 3. A detailed cash report must be enclosed with the invitation.
- 4. Any full member can request an expansion of the agenda by submitting a written request or in text form by email with reasons to the board, giving two weeks' notice. This application must be explained personally by the member at the general meeting.
- 5. Urgent requests for items on the agenda can be submitted orally during the general meeting. The urgency of the request must be supported by the majority of the voting members present.
- 6. The chairman of the meeting is the president and, if he is unable to attend, the vice-president. If both are not present, a chairperson will be elected by the general meeting. If the vice president acts as chairman of the meeting or is not present, the secretary is appointed by the general meeting.
- 7. The treasurer must explain the financial report in detail at the ordinary general meeting at the request of at least one member.
- 8. Only full members who have been members of the association for at least twelve months are entitled to vote at the general meeting. Likewise, extraordinary members who hold a board position in accordance with Section 4 of these statutes. If the contribution arrears are more than two months, the right to vote is suspended. [wir haben Jahresbeiträge]
- 9. Every properly convened general meeting has a quorum, regardless of the number of members present.
- 10. Resolutions of the general meeting require the approval of the majority of the votes present. Changes to the statutes require the approval of 75% of the votes present. [wenn keine Mitglieder da sind?]
- **11.** Minutes must be taken of the resolutions of the general meeting, which must be signed by the chair of the meeting and the secretary.

§6 Data protection

- 1. The personal data provided to the association to fulfill its statutory tasks will only be used to fulfill these tasks.
- 2. This data is also stored electronically.
- 3. By becoming a member, the member agrees to the storage, processing, processing and transmission of his or her personal data in order to fulfill the tasks and purposes of the association.
- 4. The data will not be used for other purposes.

- 5. Every member has the right to
 - a) Information about your stored data
 - b) Correction of data in the event of inaccuracy
- 6. If a member cancels, their data will be permanently deleted after the cancellation has been processed.
- 7. The publication of pictures and names of the member in publications other than those within the association requires the member's separate consent. Group photos (more than 5 people) are excluded from this rule.

§7 Regulations

- 1. Additional regulations, in particular fee and style regulations, can be decided by the board. The text of the adopted regulations must be communicated to the members.
- 2. The additional regulations may neither violate the applicable law of the Federal Republic of Germany nor these statutes.
- 3. These additional regulations can be changed by the general meeting.

§8 Disclaimer of liability

Neither the association itself, nor the members of its bodies or those appointed by them to
organize events are liable to members for damages suffered by members at association
events due to accidents or the loss of or damage to clothing or other property brought along
or other property brought to the event.

§9 Dissolution, accrual of association assets

- 1. To dissolve the association, the consent of 90% of the votes present at the general meeting called for this purpose is required.
- 2. If the association is dissolved or abolished or if tax-privileged purposes cease to exist, the association's assets go to the sanctuary of the Frankfurt Animal Welfare Association, which must use them directly and exclusively for the benefit of the animals cared for there.

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