

# CONSTITUTION

## of the International Association of Anthroposophical Medical Societies

- Article 1** Under the name „Internationale Vereinigung anthroposophischer Ärztegesellschaften“, subsequently to be called IVAA, a Society exists seated in Dornach according to Article 60 ff. of the ZGB.
- Article 2** The Society has as its objective:
- Representing Anthroposophical Doctors' Associations on the international level.
  - Mutual help and support with the legal protection of anthroposophically extended medicine.
  - Coordination of activities which are of international significance for the anthroposophical doctors' Associations.
- Article 3** Organs of the IVAA are the Assembly of Members (AM), the Council, the Auditors.
- Article 4** Members of the Society (IVAA) are Doctors' Associations and Societies, which have the anthroposophically extended medicine as their aim.
- Article 5**
- Every Association is represented by two Delegates. Per hundred full members of an Association an additional Delegate with voting power is allowed.
  - Every member of an Association can be present in the AM and has the right to express his opinion, but can only have voting power as a Delegate.
  - The election of Delegates is carried out by the individual Associations according to their own criteria.
- Article 6** The Assembly of Members (AM).  
Every year at least one AD takes place. The written invitation is sent to the Members at least 2 months prior. All doctors of the Member Associations should be invited to the AM. An Extraordinary Assembly can be called by at least 5 Members or the Council.
- Article 7** In the AM every Delegate has one vote. It takes decisions and does so on the basis of an absolute majority of the votes cast, unless stipulated otherwise within the Constitution.
- Article 8** The powers of the Delegates include the following:
- Approval of the Annual Accounts and the Annual Report.
  - Assessment of the yearly contribution of the Member Associations.
  - Acceptance of new Associations as Member.
  - Exclusion of an Association as Member.
  - Election of a Council.
  - Election of a Chairperson.
  - Election of Auditors.
  - Decision over the dismissal of the Council according to Article 890-OR (analogous use of Article 891-OR).
  - Decision over the review of the Constitution.
  - Formulating tasks and aims, to which the Council is bound.
  - Decision over the termination of the Society.
- Article 9** The AM decides on the acceptance of a new Association as Member. Membership ceases through withdrawal, exclusion or termination of an Association. Exclusion of a Member can only result from a two-thirds majority of all Delegates with voting power present in the AM.
- Article 10** The level of the contributions is fixed by the AM. The financial requirements will be distributed over the Member Associations in such a way that alongside the size of their membership their financial position is also taken into account appropriately.
- Article 11** The Council. The Council consists of 3 to 7 persons, whilst no majority of members from any one country is allowed. The Council is elected by the Delegates for 3 years. The Chairman of the Council is also elected by the Delegates for 3 years. The Council members are eligible for re-election thereafter.
- Article 12** The Council represents the Society both towards the Membership and towards the outside world. It is capable of taking decisions when at least a majority of all Council members is present. By the signature of the Chairperson, or the signature of another member of the Council following confirmation by a majority of the Council, decisions and letters are legally binding.
- Article 13** The Council prepares a budget for the AM. The Annual Account and the Annual Report of the Council are presented to the AM and approved by the AM. The conclusions and decisions of the Council will be presented to all Members in a Periodical, which appears at least once a year.
- Article 14** The termination of the Society IVAA results from the approval of two-thirds of the Delegates with voting powers present in an AM. The assets remaining, following paying off of all liabilities, should by decision of the last AM be directed towards a cause in keeping with the Constitution.