



# EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR POPULATION STUDIES

## STATUTES

### NAME AND SEAT

#### *Article 1*

These statutes\* establish the European Association for Population Studies hereinafter referred to as EAPS. The Association has its seat in The Hague, The Netherlands. The Association is established for an indefinite period of time.

### PURPOSE AND MEANS

#### *Article 2*

- a. EAPS is a scientific association of individual members having as its aim the promotion of the study of population in Europe.
- b. To achieve this aim EAPS shall foster co-operation between persons interested or engaged in European population studies, and stimulate interest in population matters among governments, national and international organizations, and the general public. Among its activities, EAPS shall organize conferences, seminars, symposia and working groups, and shall publish and disseminate information dealing with population questions.
- c. The funds of EAPS shall consist of fees, dues, gifts, donations and legacies; funds may also be acquired by other legitimate means.

### AFFILIATIONS

#### *Article 3*

- a. EAPS may work in consultation with and may become affiliated to other international and national organizations.
- b. National societies, committees, institutes and other such bodies having an interest in the study of the population of Europe, may seek affiliation to EAPS. The Council of EAPS shall be responsible for granting affiliation.

### MEMBERSHIP

#### *Article 4*

- a. Membership is open to all persons who are interested or engaged in the study of population, who support the goals of the Association and who pay membership fees.
- b. Membership ends through death, resignation or decision of the Council.

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\*Established on 31 March 1983 and amended on 26 June 2014.



## **COUNCIL AND BUREAU**

### **Article 5**

- a. The Council of EAPS shall consist of five members elected with due regard to proper geographic representation.
- b. The President, Vice-President and Secretary-General/Treasurer shall constitute the Bureau of EAPS and represent the Association in and outside the law.
- c. All members of the Council shall be appointed and relieved of their duties by the General Assembly or by secret ballot.

## **ADVISORY BOARD**

### **Article 6**

- a. The Council shall invite representatives of the organizations as mentioned in article 3b to serve on the Advisory Board of EAPS.
- b. The Council shall seek the advice of the Board on the intended programme of activities. Members of the Board may also be approached in their individual capacity for help in organizing meetings, workshops and similar activities; they may also be asked to liaise between EAPS and its affiliated bodies. The Advisory Board shall have the right to give unsolicited advice to the Council on all matters pertaining to the activities of EAPS.

## **GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

### **Article 7**

- a. The General Assembly is the supreme authority of EAPS; it is constituted by all members who are meeting after convocation.
- b. The General Assembly shall be convened by the Council as often as the Council deems necessary, if possible at least once every four years.
- c. The General Assembly shall be convened in writing and a draft agenda circulated at least one month in advance.
- d. All members of EAPS shall have equal voting rights.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

### **Article 8**

The Council appoints an Executive Director.



## **FEES**

### ***Article 9***

- a. The amount of annual dues of the members and the level of fees shall be determined by the Council.
- b. Annual fees, if any, of an affiliated organization shall be negotiated between the Council and the organization.

## **AMENDMENT OF STATUTES**

### ***Article 10***

- a. Any proposal for the amendment of these statutes shall be submitted in writing by not fewer than 15 members, together with a statement giving reasons for the proposal.
- b. The General Assembly shall vote on the proposed amendment. The amendment shall be approved if at least two-thirds of the members present and voting are in favour of the amendment.

## **DISSOLUTION**

### ***Article 11***

In case of dissolution of the Association, its assets, if any, shall be given to an association with a similar purpose, as decided upon by the Council.