

Articles of Association for the Danish Zionist Federation (DZF)

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Article 1: Name, foundational principles and domicile

Section 1. The Danish Zionist Federation (DZF) is an umbrella organization for Jewish organizations and associations based in Denmark and has individual members as well. It is independent of political parties.

Section 2: The foundational principles for DZF are set out in the "Jerusalem Program". DZF is affiliated with the World Zionist Organization (WZO) and works in accordance with WZO's decisions and principles

Article 2: Purposes

Section 1: To spread and realize Zionism's idea and strengthen interest in Israel in Denmark.

Section 2: To spread Jewish culture and history in the Danish-Jewish community.

Section 3: To promote collections in favor of Israel.

Section 4: To convey information about and help to make Aliyah.

Section 5: To spread knowledge about Israel and encourage travel there.

Section 6: To provide information through the DZF office, publishing magazines, lectures, seminars etc.

Section 7: To counteract anti-Israeli currents in Denmark.

Section 8: To support Israel in its efforts to achieve peaceful coexistence.

Article 3: Ordinary membership (see also Article 3a "Support membership")

Section 1: Collective ordinary membership of DZF requires that the organization in question is associated with the Jewish people and endorses the foundational principles and purposes set forth in Articles 1 and 2. Organizations become members through invitation by the Executive Board or through Board approval of an application.

Section 2: Individual ordinary membership of the DZF requires that the person in question is at least 18 years old and has a connection with the Jewish people is a Jew or has a special Jewish connection. Individuals automatically become members of DZF if they are members of an organization with collective membership. Individuals who support DZF's principles and purposes can apply for membership. The Executive Board has the exclusive authority for approving or rejecting an application.

Section 3: Individual and collective members can withdraw from DZF with three months' notice with effect from the 1st of a month. Prorata refunds of membership fees for the current financial year are not given

Section 4: Honorary membership can be given in very special cases decided by the Executive Board unanimously. Honorary members have the same rights as individual members but are exempt from paying membership fees.

Article 3a: Support membership

Section 1: Collective support membership of DZF requires endorsement of the foundational principles and purposes set forth in Articles 1 and 2. Organizations become support members through invitation by the Executive Board or through Board approval of an application.

Section 2: Individual support membership of the DZF requires endorsement of the foundational principles and purposes set forth in Articles 1 and 2; in addition, the prospective member must be at least 18 years old. Individuals become support members through invitation by the Executive Board or through Board approval of an application. Individuals automatically become support members of DZF if they are members of an organization with collective support membership (as described in Article 3a, section 1).

Section 3: The rights of support members, whether they are collective or individual, are limited in the following ways. Support membership does not confer voting rights at the Congress. Support members cannot be appointed as Executive Board members or substitutes. Support members cannot serve as auditor or deputy auditor. Support members can not represent DZF in national or international fora.

Section 4: As a general rule individual and collective support members may participate in all DZF events. However, the Executive Board has the right to decide that given events are reserved for ordinary members as defined in Article 3.

Section 5: The Executive Board is not required to justify a possible refusal of an application for support membership.

Section 6: Individual and collective support members can withdraw from DZF with three months' notice with effect from the 1st of a month. Prorata refunds of membership fees for the current financial year are not given.

Article 4: Management of the Federation

DZF is led by an Executive Board that reports to the Congress, which is the highest decision-making authority of the federation and is constituted by the delegates [and individual members]. The Executive Board carries out the day-to-day management, represents DZF nationally and internationally, and otherwise takes care of the interests of DZF.

Article 5: Congress

The ordinary Congress convenes once a year before the end of April. All members are invited by letter to the Congress. The agenda must be included with the invitation and at least two weeks' notice must be given.

Article 6: Election of delegates

Section 1: Organizations that are collective DZF-members with at least 25 individual members have the right to appoint delegates to the Congress, namely a delegate for every 25 members. However, each organization is entitled to at least two and maximum 10 delegates.

Section 2: As a basis for calculating how many delegates an organization is entitled to, the organization must submit the number of members to the DZF office each year no later than 1 February. The names of the delegates must reach the DZF office no later than two weeks before the Congress.

Section 3: In order to send delegates an organization must have paid its membership fee for the previous calendar year. It is expected and recommended to provide support for collections for Israel.

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Section 5: The Executive Board's members and substitutes are automatically delegates.

Article 7: Congress agenda, etc.

Section 1: The agenda for the ordinary Congress must contain the following points:

1. Selection of the moderator [and of someone to take minutes]
2. Report of the Executive Board.
3. Financial report and statement, presentation of budget and approval of membership fees for the current financial year.
4. Election of members of the Executive Board.
5. Election of substitute members of the Executive Board.
6. Election of 2 auditors and 1 deputy auditor, selected among DZF members.
7. Any submitted proposals.
8. Orientation from the affiliated organizations (collective members).
9. Announcements and new business if any.

Section 2: Proposals to change these Articles of Association, and opinions about such proposals, must reach the Executive Board at least eight days before the Congress.

Article 8: Extraordinary Congress

An extraordinary Congress may be convened by the Executive Board at any time with at least two weeks' notice. An extraordinary Congress shall be convened by the Executive Board when at least 25 individual or 3 collective members of the DZF make a written request stating the agenda. An invitation must be sent out no later than two weeks after receipt of the request, and the Congress must be held no later than four weeks after the request has been received.

Article 9: Congress moderation

Both ordinary and extraordinary Congresses are chaired by a moderator selected by the delegates. If at least five delegates so request, the vote must take place secretly and in writing.

Article 10: Decisions

All decisions shall be taken by a simple majority, unless an article specifies otherwise. There cannot be voted by proxy.

Article 11: Executive Board

The Executive Board consists of seven members elected by the Congress. The members of the Executive Board are elected for two years at a time, so that each year either three or four seats are up for election. Re-election can take place. The Executive Board constitutes itself. Candidates for

the Executive Board are presented and elected at the Congress. The Executive Board is required to propose candidates to the Congress is entitled to this. In the event of vacancy within the electoral term, one of the elected substitutes will become a full Board member. Substitutes are elected for one year at a time.

Article 12: Elections

Section 1: If the number of candidates proposed is equal to the number of vacant seats election is automatic, with no voting. Otherwise votes must be cast in writing. A ballot must not include more names than there are seats to be filled. The moderator appoints two delegates to count the votes.

Section 2: After Board members are elected, voting for substitutes is done according to the procedures in Section 1.

Article 13: The Executive Board's constitution, rules of procedure, etc.

The Board of Executives shall constitute itself within 14 days after the Congress with a chairman, vice-chairman and treasurer, after which the duties are distributed. The Executive Board shall adopt its own rules of procedure. The chairman may at any time call for a Board meeting with a written notice of at least three working days to the individual members. The chairman shall convene a Board Meeting with at least three days' notice when at least two members of the Executive Board request this in writing along with an agenda. The Executive Board can take decisions by vote when at least four members are in attendance at a meeting called with the required notice. Decisions taken by voting are decided by a simple majority. In case of a tie, the chairman's vote is decisive.

Article 14: Membership fees

Collective members pay a membership fee set after negotiation with the Executive Board. Individual members pay the membership fee set by the Congress. Collective support members pay a membership fee set after negotiation with the Executive Board. Individual support members pay the membership fee set by the Congress.

Article 15: Accounting

The fiscal year of DZF is the calendar year. For each fiscal year, financial statements consisting of the income statement and balance sheet. are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Once approved by the Congress, the financial statements are signed by the Executive Board.

Article 16: Auditing

The Congress elects two auditors and one deputy auditor among the members. The auditors must review the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and have access to all accounting data and assets. They shall be given access to any information relevant to their duties. Upon completion of the audit, the auditors shall endorse the financial statements.

Article 17: Signature authority and liability

The federation can be bound by the signature of two members of the Executive Board, one of which shall be the chairman or treasurer. A unanimous Executive Board can delegate signature authority to individuals. The members of the federation do not have any legal or physical liability for the federation's liabilities.

Article 18: Amendments to these articles

For the adoption of decisions that change these articles or call for the dissolution of the federation, at least two thirds of the votes cast at the Congress must be in agreement with the proposal. Handling a proposal for dissolution requires a special invitation to all members at least eight days before the Congress.

Section 19: Liquidation

If it is decided to dissolve the federation the Congress elects two liquidators to carry out the liquidation. Should there be any net worth accumulated it must be given to Keren Kajemeth Lejisrael. Everything else, including archives, correspondence, and so on, is to be handed over to the World Zionist Organization.

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§ 1 Forbundets navn, idé og hjemsted

Stk.1: Dansk Zionistforbund (DZF) er en partipolitisk uafhængig paraplyorganisation for jødiske organisationer og foreninger med hjemsted i Danmark samt individuelle medlemmer.

Stk.2: Grundlaget for DZF er "Jerusalemprogrammet". DZF er tilsluttet World Zionist Organization (WZO) og virker i overensstemmelse med WZO's beslutninger og principper

§ 2 Formål

Stk.1: At udbrede og realisere zionismens idé og styrke interessen for Israel i Danmark.

Stk.2: At udbrede jødisk kultur og historie.

Stk.3: At fremme indsamlinger til fordel for Israel.

Stk.4: At formidle oplysning om og være behjælpelig med Aliyah.

Stk.5: At udbrede kendskabet til Israel og opfordre til rejser dertil.

Stk.6: At drive informationsvirksomhed gennem DZF's kontor, bladudgivelse, foredrag, seminarer etc.

Stk.7: At modarbejde antiisraelske strømninger i Danmark.

Stk.8: At støtte Israel i dets bestræbelser for fredelig sameksistens

§ 3 Medlemskab

Stk.1: Kollektive medlemmer af DZF er jødiske organisationer, der tilslutter sig de i § 1 & 2 anførte idégrundlag og formålsbestemmelser, og som efter ansøgning eller opfordring er blevet optaget af hovedledelsen.

Stk.2: For et individuelt medlemskab af DZF kræves, at personen er jøde eller har en særlig jødisk tilknytning, er fyldt 18 år, og enten er medlem af én af de i § 1 stk. 1 nævnte organisationer eller efter ansøgning er blevet optaget og har tilsluttet sig forbundets formål. Hovedledelsen har den endelige beslutningsmyndighed.

Stk.3: Udmeldelse af DZF kan for kollektive og individuelle medlemmer ske med 3 måneders varsel med virkning fra den 1. i en måned. Der foretages ikke refusion af kontingent for det indeværende regnskabsår

Stk.4: Æresmedlemsskab kan gives i ganske specielle tilfælde, som en enig hovedledelse beslutter. Æresmedlemmer er fritaget for at betale kontingent, men har i øvrigt samme rettigheder som individuelle medlemmer

§ 3 a Støtte-medlemskab

Stk.1: Kollektive støttemedlemmer af DZF er organisationer, der tilslutter sig de i § 1 stk. 2 & § 2 anførte idégrundlag og formålsbestemmelser, og som efter ansøgning eller opfordring er blevet godkendt og optaget af hovedledelsen.

Stk.2: For et individuelt støttemedlemskab af DZF kræves, at personen er fyldt 18 år, og enten er medlem af én af de i § 3 a stk. 1 nævnte organisationer, eller individuelt tilslutter sig de i § 1 stk. 2 & § 2 anførte idégrundlag og formålsbestemmelser for forbundet, og som efter ansøgning eller opfordring er blevet godkendt og optaget af hovedledelsen.

Stk.3: For kollektive såvel som individuelle støttemedlemmer af forbundet gælder det, at medlemskabet ikke giver stemmeret ved kongressen, og at støttemedlemmer ikke kan opstilles til hovedledelsen, suppleanter for hovedledelsen, revisorer samt revisorsuppleant. Støttemedlemmer kan ikke repræsentere forbundet nationalt som internationalt.

Stk. 4: For kollektive såvel som individuelle støttemedlemmer af forbundet gælder det, at medlemskabet tillader deltagelse i alle forbundets arrangementer, men at hovedledelsen kan beslutte at give arrangementer kun er for medlemmer iht. § 3.

Stk.5: For godkendelse af støttemedlemskab for kollektive såvel som for individuelle gælder det, at støttemedlemskabet skal godkendes af hovedledelsen. Forbundets hovedledelse er ikke forpligtet til at begrunde et eventuelt afslag.

Stk.6: Udmeldelse af DZF kan for kollektive og individuelle støttemedlemmer ske med 3 måneders varsel med virkning fra den 1. i en måned. Der foretages ikke refusion af kontingent for det indeværende regnskabsår.

i forslag - kongressen er berettiget dertil. I tilfælde af vakance inden for valgperioden indtræder i hovedledelsen én af de valgte suppleanter. Der foretages valg af suppleanter hvert år.

§ 12 Valgenes afvikling

Stk. 1: Er der kun bragt det antal kandidater i forslag, som skal vælges, er disse valgt uden afstemning. Skriftlig afstemning foretages, hvis der er opstillet flere, end der skal vælges. Stemmesedlerne må max indeholde det antal personer, der skal vælges. Dirigenten udpeger 2 delegerede til stemmeoptælling.

Stk. 2: Efter afstemning til hovedledelse foregår afstemning til 2 suppleanter efter samme regler som stk. 1.

§ 13 Hovedledelsens konstituering, forretningsorden mv.

Hovedledelsen konstituerer sig selv senest 14 dage efter kongressen med en formand, næstformand og kasserer, hvorefter opgaverne fordeles. Hovedledelsen fastsætter selv en forretningsorden. Formanden kan til enhver tid med mindst 3 hverdages skriftlig varsel til de enkelte medlemmer indkalde til hovedledelsesmøde og skal mindst med 3 hverdages varsel indkalde dertil, når mindst 2 medlemmer af hovedledelsen skriftligt og med angivelse af dagsorden kræver det. Hovedledelsen er beslutningsdygtig, når mindst 4 medlemmer er til stede på et behørigt indvarslet møde. Ved afstemning træffes beslutningen ved simpel majoritet. Ved stemmelighed er formandens stemme udslagsgivende.

§ 14 Kontingent

Kollektive medlemmer betaler et efter forhandling med hovedledelsen fastsat kontingent. Individuelle medlemmer betaler et af kongressen fastsat kontingent. Kollektive støttemedlemmer betaler et efter forhandling med hovedledelsen fastsat kontingent. Individuelle støttemedlemmer betaler et af kongressen fastsat kontingent

§ 15 Regnskab

Forbundets regnskabsår er kalenderåret. For hvert regnskabsår udarbejdes ifølge god regnskabsskik et årsregnskab bestående af resultatopgørelse og balance. Årsregnskabet underskrives af hovedledelsen, når det er godkendt af kongressen.

§ 16 Revision

Kongressen vælger 2 revisorer og 1 revisorsuppleant blandt medlemmerne. Revisorerne skal revidere årsregnskabet i overensstemmelse med god revisionskik og har adgang til alle regnskabsbøger og beholdninger og kan forlange enhver oplysning af betydning for deres hverv. Efter afsluttet revision skal revisorerne påtegne regnskabet.

§ 17 Tegningsret og hæftelse

Forbundet forpligtes ved underskrift af 2 medlemmer af hovedledelsen i forening, hvoraf den ene skal være formand eller kasserer. Den samlede hovedledelse kan meddele enkeltpersoner prokura. Der påhviler ikke forbundets medlemmer - juridisk eller fysisk - nogen personlig hæftelse for de af forbundet påhvilende forpligtelser.

§ 18 Lovændringer

Til vedtagelse af beslutninger, der går ud på ændringer i forbundets love eller ønsker om forbundets opløsning, kræves, at mindst 2/3 af de stemmer, der afgives på kongressen, tilslutter sig forslaget.

Ved forslag om opløsning af forbundet, skal der sendes en særlig indkaldelse ud til alle medlemmer inden kongressens afholdelse. Indkaldelsen skal være udsendt senest 8 dage før kongressens afholdelse.

§ 19 Likvidation

I tilfælde af beslutning om forbundets opløsning vælger kongressen 2 likvidatorer til at foretage likvidationen. I tilfælde af forbundets opløsning tilfalder en eventuel nettoformue Keren Kajemeth Lejisrael. Alt andet, herunder arkivmateriale, korrespondance m.v. udleveres til World Zionist Organization.