

Pursuant to provisions of art. 11 and 12 of the Law on Associations ("Official Gazette of the RS", No. 51/09, 99/2011, 44/2018 - other law), the founding assembly held on December 19, 2022. in Belgrade, adopted the following

**STATUTE
OF THE ZIONIST FEDERATION IN SERBIA**

Area of fulfillment of goals

Article 1

The "Zionist Federation in Serbia" (hereinafter: the Federation) is a non-governmental and non-profit association, established for an indefinite period of time to achieve goals in the field of education on and familiarization with the life and work of people from these regions who contributed to the development and promotion of the idea of Zionism, the movement of immigration to Israel, early and modern history of Israel.

Goals and objectives of the Federation

Article 2

The goals of the Federation are: education about the origin and meaning of the idea of Zionism, the contribution of individuals to the early development of the idea of the Zionist movement, organizing educational workshops to familiarize people with the genuine idea and the course of the Zionist movement, organizing seminars and round tables on the idea of Zionism, accurate and comprehensive familiarization with that idea and the modern history of Israel, thus contributing to the prevention of spreading of anti-Semitism, xenophobia and prejudice about the Zionist movement.

The Federation shall act according to the basic principles of justice, equality and democracy, prevent the membership of bodies or individuals who adhere to or advocate discrimination based on origin, nationality, race, gender or sexual orientation and conduct its affairs, having regard to the protection of the requirements of all members of the Federation.

Article 3

In order to achieve its goals, the Federation shall, in particular:

1) collect and process scientific and professional literature from the early and modern history of the Zionist movement in Serbia and surrounding countries;

2) organize, alone or in cooperation with other organizations, expert meetings, consultations, seminars and other forms of education related to the idea of Zionism, the early and modern history of the State of Israel;

3) publish books and other publications on issues related to the development of the idea of Zionism and significant individuals from this region who were the forerunners or leaders of the world Zionist movement, in accordance with the law;

4) organize educational workshops and discussions about the true idea and meaning of Zionism and prejudices related to Zionism, especially for pupils and students;

5) cooperate with universities, schools, professional associations and other organizations in the country and abroad that can address the idea of Zionism.

6) set up a framework encompassing all Zionist youth movements, the Magshimim movements and members of organizations of the young generation organizations and admit these to the Federation as members.

Name and registered office

Article 4

The name of the Federation is: “CIONISTIČKO UDRUŽENJE U SRBIJI“

The name of the Federation in English is: “ZIONIST FEDERATION IN SERBIA“

The Federation’s registered office is in Belgrade at Kneginje Ljubice St. No. 14

The Federation shall carry out its activities in the territory of the Republic of Serbia.

Terms and manner of joining and terminating membership

Article 5

Any person who accepts the goals of the Federation and its Statute and submits an application for membership can become a member of the Federation.

Article 6

The decision on admission to membership is made by the Assembly and the applicant is notified accordingly.

A member may withdraw from membership by giving a written notice of withdrawal.

Membership in the Federation may be terminated due to prolonged inactivity of the member, failure to comply with the provisions of this Statute or damage to the reputation of the Federation.

The decision on the termination of membership is made by the Assembly, based on the reasoned proposal of the President or Deputy President.

The member must be allowed to express his/her position regarding the reasons for which the proposal for the decision to terminate his/her membership in the Federation was submitted.

The Federation shall admit as a member every Zionist body and individual who accepts the Constitution of the Federation and the program of the World Zionist Organization (“The Jerusalem Program”), unless there exists a weighty reason against such admission. A Federation is not entitled to refuse the admission of a body affiliated with a Zionist World Union

In the instance of a person registering via the World Zionist Organization website, said application shall be forwarded to the Zionist Federation in his place of permanent residence within a period of 30 days from the day of enrolment. If there is no objection by said Zionist Federation, those registering via the World Zionist Organization website automatically become members of said Federation, subject to the regulations stipulated in the Byelaws of said Zionist Federation. Said Federation shall decide upon the matter of such membership within 60 days of receipt of the request as forwarded.

The Federation shall admit as a member any territorial branch any international Zionist organization that is a member of the World Zionist Organizations, in accordance with conditions that shall be stipulated in its Bylaws.

Members' rights, obligations and responsibilities

Article 7

Each member of the Federation has the right to:

- 1) participate equally with other members in achieving the goals of the Federation;**
- 2) directly participate in decision-making at the Assembly;**
- 3) elect and be elected to the bodies of the Federation;**
- 4) be timely and fully informed about the work and activities of the Federation.**

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Each member is obliged to:

- 1) actively contribute to the achievement of the goals of the Federation;**
- 2) participate, in accordance with his/her interest, in the activities of the Federation;**

- 3) pay the membership fee;
- 4) perform other duties entrusted to him/her by the Assembly or the President.

Internal organization

Article 8

The body of the Federation is the Assembly.

The function of the authorized representative is performed by the President of the Assembly, and in his/her absence by the Deputy President of the Assembly.

Article 9

The Assembly of the Federation consists of all its members.

The Assembly meets regularly once a year. An extraordinary session of the Assembly can be scheduled on the reasoned proposal of the President, as well as on the initiative of at least one third of the members of the Assembly. The initiative is submitted to the President in written form and must specify the issues proposed for consideration.

The Assembly session is convened by the President of the Assembly, by a written notification of the place and time of the session and the proposal of the agenda. The session is presided over by a person elected at the beginning of the session by open vote.

The Assembly:

- 1) adopts the work plan and program;
- 2) adopts the Statute, as well as amendments to the Statute;
- 3) adopts other general acts of the Federation;
- 4) considers and adopts, at least once a year, the President's report;
- 5) reviews, controls and adopts the financial plan and report;
- 6) decides on status changes and dissolution of the Federation;
- 7) decides on joining alliances and other associations in the country and abroad;
- 8) elects and dismisses the President and Deputy President of the Federation

The Assembly may adopt legally binding decisions if at least two-thirds of the members are present.

The Assembly decides by the majority of votes of the members present.

A two-thirds majority vote of the present members is necessary for the decision on amendments to the Statute, status changes and dissolution of the Federation.

The Federation shall hold at least once every three years a national convention and determine in its Constitution a method of electing delegates to the convention consistent with accepted democratic principles.

Article 10

The President of the Assembly represents the Federation in legal transactions and has the rights and duties of a principal financial officer.

The Deputy President is authorized to, in the absence of the President of the Assembly, represent the Federation and sign all financial and money-related documents on behalf of the Federation.

Article 11

The President:

- 1) manages the work of the Federation between two sessions of the Assembly and makes decisions in order to achieve the goals of the Federation;**
- 2) organizes regular activities of the Federation;**
- 3) entrusts special tasks to individual members;**
- 4) makes financial decisions;**
- 5) decides on the initiation of the procedure for amendments and additions to the Statute, on his/her own initiative or at the proposal of members of the Federation, and prepares a proposal for amendments and additions, which he/she submits to the Assembly for adoption;**
- 6) decides on the initiation of the procedure for compensation of damages in cases referred to in Article 25, paragraph 2 of the Law on Associations and, if necessary, appoints a special representative of the Federation for that procedure;**
- 7) decides on other issues for which other bodies of the Federation are not authorized by law or this Statute.**

Ensuring publicity of work

Article 12

The work of the Federation is publicly accessible.

The Assembly of the Federation takes care of regularly informing the membership and the general public about the work and activities of the Federation, either directly or through internal publications, i.e., through press releases, or in other appropriate ways.

Annual accounts and reports on the Federation's activities are submitted to members at the Federation's assembly session.

Article 13

In order to achieve its goals, the Federation may establish contacts and cooperate with other associations and organizations in the country and abroad.

The Federation may join international associations, which is decided by the Assembly.

The method of acquiring funds for achieving goals and disposing of funds

Article 14

The Federation obtains funds from membership fees, voluntary contributions, donations and gifts, financial subsidies and in other ways permitted by law from the country and abroad.

The Federation can obtain funds from registration fees for seminars and other forms of education in the field of basic activity, as well as by selling goods collected during the implementation of actions within the scope of activity or products created as part of educational workshops.

Dissolution of the Federation

Article 15

The Federation ceases its work by the decision of the Assembly, when the conditions for the achievement of the Federation's goals cease to exist, as well as in other cases provided for by law.

Dealing with the assets of the Federation in case of termination thereof

Article 16

In case of cessation of work, the property of the Federation will be transferred to a domestic non-profit legal entity that was established to achieve the same or similar goals, i.e., the Assembly will determine to whom the property shall be transferred in accordance with the Law by the decision on termination.

Appearance and contents of the seal

Article 17

The Federation has a circular seal with the following words inscribed: "Zionist Federation in Serbia, Belgrade/Subotica".

Article 18

The provisions of the Law on Associations will directly apply to all matters not regulated by this Statute.

Article 19

This Statute shall enter into force on the day of its adoption at the founding assembly of the Federation.

Chairperson of the founding assembly of the Federation

Robert Sabados

(name and signature)