



## **Articles of Association**

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## **1 General**

### 1.1 Name and Head Office

In the name of the „Musikplattform der ETH und Universität Zürich“, in the following referred to as „Musikplattform“, an association of legal status according to articles 60 et seq. of the Swiss Civil Code is established with its headquarters in Zurich. It is neutral politically and non-denominational.

### 1.2 Purpose

The association shall pursue the following aims:

- a) Generation of performance opportunities for musically talented students and employees of the ETH and University of Zurich in the course of concerts organized by the Musikplattform.
- b) Enabling autonomous networking for members using a digital music network provided on the association's website.
- c) Publication of a collection of various concerts and events of other musical and academic associations of both universities via homepage and newsletter for the members
- d) Promotion of various interests of musically talented students and employees of the ETH and the University of Zurich within the scope of opportunities of the Musikplattform.

### 1.3 Definitions

„ETH“ includes the Federal Technical University of Zurich and its research institutes.

„University of Zurich“ includes the University of Zurich and its research institutes.

## 2 Members

### 2.1 Membership conditions

Members shall be only

- a) students enrolled at ETH and/or University of Zurich,
- b) employees of these or
- c) members of their alumni associations

who anticipate an interest for the association's purpose.

Requests and affiliation will be handled by online registration in the music network of the Musikplattform on the association's homepage. Registration must be done using a valid email address of either ETH or University of Zurich.

### 2.2 Voting rights

There are no different categories of members and all members are equally entitled to vote.

### 2.3 Membership fee

The membership is free of charge.

### 2.4 Ceasing of Membership

Resignation is possible at any time and is effected by either online resignation on the music network or via email to the president (CC to the webmaster). Exclusion of members can be decided by the Committee and can be executed with immediate effect without stating the reason(s).

Membership ceases automatically when a member leaves ETH, the University of Zurich or the corresponding alumni association, be it in case of completed studies or a terminated employment contract, whereupon the email address of the member becomes invalid.

### 2.5 Prolongation of membership

If the member remains a member at an Alumni Association of the ETH or the University of Zurich and has thus a valid email address after accomplished studies or a terminated employment contract, the membership may be prolonged if wished so. Requests for prolongation of membership must be addressed via email to the president (CC to the webmaster) and contain the personal Alumni email address.

### 2.6 Honorary membership

Members who have demonstrated outstanding and selfless commitment to the cause of the association may be awarded an honorary membership by the general assembly.

Honorary members have the right to continue their regular membership also after leaving ETH, the University of Zurich or the corresponding Alumni association. The honorary membership is not associated with additional rights to vote.

### 3 Organisation

#### 3.1 Organs

The association's organs are:

- a) The General Assembly
- b) The Executive Committee
- c) The Auditor

#### 3.2 General Assembly

The General Assembly is the Association's supreme authority. It is composed of all the members and shall be held annually towards the end of the spring semester or the beginning of the fall semester. An extraordinary General Assembly may be convened at the request of the Committee, or requested by a tenth of all members in a joint letter to the president. In the latter case, the extraordinary General Assembly shall be held within 30 days of receiving the request.

The Committee shall send notice to members a month in advance via email and contain the convocation, including the provisional agenda.

Participation of members is voluntary and must be indicated electronically at least ten days in advance.

Proposals not included in the convocation must be submitted to the president electronically at least ten days prior to the General Assembly.

The Agenda of the annual session of the General Assembly includes:

- a) Election of the president and Committee members and auditors
- b) Approval and changes to the Articles of Association
- c) Approval of the reports and accounts, report of treasurer and of the auditor
- d) Approval of the budget
- e) Assessment of activities
- f) Proposals
- g) Appointment of honorary members and honorary presidents
- h) Other business

The General Assembly shall be considered valid regardless of the number of members present.

Decisions of the General Assembly shall be taken by a majority vote of the members present. In the case of deadlock, the President shall have the casting vote.

#### 3.3 Committee

The Committee is composed of at least 3 members elected annually by the General Assembly. The Committee is authorized to carry out all acts that further the purposes of the association. The presidency is elected by the GA, the rest of the board organizes itself.

The Committee represents the association and manages all current issues. It is responsible for all incomes and expenses and the financial status of the association.

For special tasks, further persons may be involved by the Committee.

Decisions of the Committee shall be considered valid, if the majority of Committee members are present. Decisions are made by the majority of votes. The president has the casting vote.

The legally binding signature for the association is in the hand of the president or vice president in accordance with another member of the Committee.

The Committee is compensated annually with CHF 80,- per Committee member to be spent for a mutual dinner.

### 3.4 Auditor

The Auditor is elected annually by the General Assembly who inspects the accounting and reports to the General Assembly annually. Furthermore a substitute is elected.

### 3.5 Honorary presidency

A committee member who has demonstrated outstanding and selfless commitment to the cause of the association may be appointed as honorary president by the general assembly.

The honorary presidency includes a honorary membership. Furthermore, honorary presidents have the right to attend any committee meeting of the association.

## 4 Finances

### 4.1 Resources

In order to realize the purposes of the association, contributions from the ETH, the University of Zurich, Student Associations, sponsors and further benefactors are utilized.

### 4.2 Liabilities

For debts of the association only the association's assets can be made liable for. Personal liability of the Committee or members is excluded.

## 5 Various Provisions

### 5.1 Revision of the Articles of Association

The present Articles of Association may be altered by the General Assembly, if three quarters of the members present and liable to vote agree.

### 5.2 Dissolving of the Association

The association cannot be dissolved if at least three members of the Committee vote for its continuity.

In case of the association being dissolved all members must be notified by email. Remaining assets should be allotted to another association with comparable purpose(s).

### 5.3 Legal Validity

These Articles of Association have been revised by the general assembly on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015.. They replace the Articles of Association from June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014, and take effect immediately.

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