

# Statutes for Norwegian Doctors for Planetary Health

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§1. The name of the association is **Norwegian Doctors for Planetary Health**. The association is politically independent.

§2. The association is self-owned and an independent legal entity with impersonal and limited responsibility for dept.

§3. Healthcare personnel and health students can be members of the association. Others with relevant background can be enrolled as members with the board's approval.

§4. The purpose of the association is to inform about the health consequences of man-made global warming and destruction of nature, work to limit these through political, economic and structural measures as well as through changes in the attitudes and behaviors of the population. The association will especially work to mobilize healthcare personnel and others who are interested in contributing actively to this work. The association shall strive for a low climate- and nature footprint in all its activities.

§5. The highest body of the association is the annual meeting. Everyone with a valid membership has access to this meeting. A membership is valid when the membership fee has been paid no later than 30 days prior the annual meeting. Only members with a valid membership have the right to vote at the annual meeting.

§6. The annual meeting must be held physically or online at least once a year, and when at least 3/5 of the board or 20% of valid members requires it. The annual meeting shall discuss proposals presented by the board and proposals

presented by members to the board at least four weeks prior to the annual meeting. The board has the responsibility to decide time and place for the annual meeting. The board further has the responsibility to present the agenda for the annual meeting, the annual report, the action report, submitted proposals and proposed changes to the association's statutes at least 14 days prior to the annual meeting.

§7. The annual meeting elects the chairperson of the association. In addition, a board is elected in which must consist of at least six and up to eight people in addition to the chairperson. The chairperson is elected for one year with the possibility of re-election five consecutive times. Board members are normally elected for two years with the possibility of re-election two consecutive times. In addition, up to two deputies can be elected for one year with the possibility of re-election twice. At the first board election approximately half the board will be elected for one year. A balance in terms of gender, age, and geographical location should be pursued. In addition, efforts should be made to insure that at least two member of the board are students. The board organize itself with an internal election of a vice chairperson and a financial manager. The annual meeting further elects an accountant and an election committee which must consist of at least two members outside of the board.

§8. The association's statutes can only be changed at the annual meeting and requires at least 2/3 votes in favor from valid members present at the annual meeting.

§9. The annual meeting determines the membership fee and handles the annual report and the annual account report. All other matters can be delegated by the annual meeting to the board or its ad hock committee. At each annual meeting the board's power of attorney, proposed action plan and budget for the coming year shall be discussed.

§10. The board manages the work of the association between the annual meetings in accordance with the powers granted by the annual meeting to the board. The board has a special duty to form and support student groups and

other local groups. The board meets when the chairperson and at least two board members find it necessary and at least twice a year. Board meetings can be either physically or online. The board has the power to handle matters when a majority of the board and the leader participates. In case of equal votes to a proposed matter, the chairperson has a double vote. The board shall prepare an annual report, account report, budget and proposed action plan to the annual meeting each year.

§11. The budget and the accounting of the association follow the calendar year. The assets and cash are deposited into an ordinary bank account.

§12. Dissolution of the association can only be handled at an ordinary annual meeting and requires 2/3 votes in favor of a dissolution. Merges with other associations are not considered as a dissolution of the association. Decisions on amalgamation and necessary changes to the statutes of the association are made in accordance to §8.