

Statutes Association PlattformPlattform

Art. 1 – Name and Registered Office

PlattformPlattform is an association pursuant to Art. 60–79 ZGB – Swiss Civil Code. Its registered office is in Zurich.

Art. 2 – Purpose

The association's purpose is the organization of nomadic yearly exhibitions and exhibition-related events under the name "Plattform". The yearly exhibitions are organized by an operational team consisting of curators at the beginning of their professional careers and show new works by selected Bachelor's and Master's Fine Arts graduates from Swiss art schools. The exhibitions are hosted each year by a different Swiss art institution in changing language regions. The association does not pursue any commercial purposes and is not for profit. Its governing bodies perform their function on a voluntary basis.

Art. 3 – Funds

The association's funds are made up of public contributions, contributions from private sponsors or third-party organizations.

Art. 4 – Membership

All members of the operational team that organizes the Plattform exhibition as well as the respective auditor elected become automatically members of the association. No membership fees are charged.

Art. 5 – Expiry of membership and resignation

Membership expires when the respective member is no longer active either in the operational team, the board or as auditor. Membership can also end by resignation. Resignation from the association is possible at any time with notice to the respective president. The respective president must communicate the resignation to the board four months in advance.

Art. 6 – Bodies

The bodies of the association are:

- General Assembly
- Board

Art. 7 – General Assembly

The supreme body of the association is the General Assembly. It consists of the board, the operational team, and the auditor. An ordinary General Assembly takes place annually in autumn, within six months after the final annual report. Members shall be invited to the General Assembly twenty days in advance by a written invitation, stating the items on the agenda. Invitations by e-mail are valid. Proposals from members for additional business to be brought before the General Assembly must be submitted to the board written, stating reasons, seven days before the General Assembly at the latest.

The board or one fifth of the members may request the convening of an Extraordinary General Assembly at any time, stating the purpose of the meeting. The meeting must be held no later than five weeks after receipt of the request.

The General Assembly has the following inalienable duties and powers:

- a) Approval of the minutes of the last General Assembly
 - b) Approval of the final annual report of the board
 - c) Acceptance of the auditor's report and approval of the annual accounts
 - d) Discharge of the board
 - e) Election of the president and the other members of the board as well as the auditor(s).
 - f) Determination of the membership fee
 - g) Approval of the annual budget
 - h) Resolution on the program of activities
- Variant: acknowledgement of the program of activities
- i) Passing resolutions on proposals from the Board and members
 - j) Amendment of the Articles of Association
 - k) Deciding on the expulsion of members.
 - l) Resolution on the dissolution of the association and the use of the liquidation proceeds.

Every duly convened General Assembly is quorate if at least three members are present. The members pass resolutions by a simple majority of the votes cast. In the event of a tie, the chairperson has the casting vote. Amendments to the articles of the statutes require the approval of a two third majority of those present and entitled to vote.

At least a record of the resolutions passed must be drawn up.

Art. 8 – Board

The board consists of five to ten members. The term of office is two years. Re-election is permitted a maximum of 5 times. The board oversees the day-to-day business and represents the association externally. It issues regulations. It may set up working groups (specialist groups). It may employ or commission persons to achieve the association's objectives in return for appropriate compensation. The board has all powers that are not assigned to another body by law or in accordance with these Articles of Association.

The founder Charlotte Matter is a permanent member of the board.

The following departments can be represented on the board:

- a) Presidium
- b) Vice presidency
- c) Finances
- d) Secretary
- e) Legal questions
- f) Diversity questions
- g) Partnerships and collaborations
- h) Interface to Operational

Accumulation of offices is possible. The board constitutes itself.

The board approves the annual budget, the final annual report, and the selection of new members of the operational team as well as the artists for each issue of the nomadic exhibition. Approval by e-mail is valid. The board meets as often as business requires, at least twice a year. Any member of the board may request that a meeting be convened, stating the reasons. If no member of the board requests an oral discussion, resolutions may be passed by circular letter (including e-mail). The board generally works on an honorary and unpaid basis and is entitled to reimbursement of actual expenses. The board is quorate if at least three of its members are present.

Art. 9 – Authorization to Sign

The association is bound by the collective signature of the president together with another member of the board.

Art. 10 – Liability

The association's assets are exclusively liable for any debts and liabilities of the association. The members of the General Assembly are not personally liable.

Art. 11 – Dissolution

The association shall be dissolved if the purpose of the association can no longer be achieved or following a decision of all members of the board. The funds remaining after the dissolution of the association are to be donated to a tax-exempt institution domiciled in Switzerland with the same or a similar purpose of the association. Distribution among the members is excluded.

Art. 12 – Entry Into Force

These Articles were adopted at the General Assembly of October 19, 2024 and entered into force on this date. They replace all previous versions.

For the association



President
Salome Hohl



Charlotte Matter
Permanent Member

Appendix I – Organizational Regulations

Art. 7 – Operational Team

- The Operational Team shall consist of a minimum of five and a maximum of seven members. The members come from different regions of Switzerland. A particular interest in curating contemporary art is a prerequisite.
- The active Operational Team searches for new members by an open call and conducts interviews.
- The Operational Team communicates with the art schools, re- views the artists' portfolios and visits the diploma exhibitions.
- The Operational Team is responsible for the selection of institutions and artists.
- The Operational Team is responsible for the organization, communication, execution and postprocessing of the exhibition.
- The Operational Team is responsible for fundraising and finances (budget preparation, budget control and accounting). An external Accounting Expert guides the Operational Team.