

THE STATUTE OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPEAN FORESTERS

Article 1. TITLE AND LOCATION

- 1.1. The Council of European Foresters (hereinafter referred to as C.E.F.), founded in 2011, is a European organization for all associations, societies and unions actively engaged in forestry.
- 1.2. Its domicile will be the address of the President.

Article 2. OBJECTIVES AND MEANS

The objectives of C.E.F. are:

- 2.1. to develop the understanding among foresters and between foresters and society.
- 2.2. to sustain, at the country, European and global level, the interests of the foresters, members of C.E.F.
 - 2.3. to develop the international solidarity between the foresters.
- 2.4. to inform the organization members about the topics and issues of the world and continental forestry sector.
- 2.5. to represent member organizations and foresters at the international institutions as UN, Council of Europe, European Parliament, European Council, European Commission and others related to the forestry field, natural environment, bio-energy reserves, wood and biomass and to the labor relations field.
- 2.6. to develop contacts, understanding and cooperation among C.E.F. members and between the C.E.F. and other international foresters organizations.
- 2.7. to develop exchange of knowledge and experience on forestry issues between the organization members.
- 2.8. to promote the provisions of the Forester's Declaration for their recognition and implementation by the states and international institutions.

Article 3. MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1. Any organizations and associations of foresters from Europe are eligible for membership of the C.E.F.
- 3.2. Member organizations of the C.E.F must be representatives for the forestry sector of the countries where they are established, democratically organized, apolitical and non-religious.
- 3.3. The applications for membership shall be decided by simple majority of votes of C.E.F., after an analysis of the request, presentation, statute and the establishing official documents of each membership candidate.
- 3.4. In case a member organization is acting or has acted contrary to the interests of C.E.F., or which no longer meets the criteria for membership of the C.E.F., it will be warned by the President about the possibility of expelling from C.E.F.

Expulsion shall be decided by a simple majority of the next meeting of C.E.F., after the warning.

3.5. The total number of members is formed of all the members of the foresters' organizations affiliated to C.E.F.

Article 4. C.E.F. STRUCTURE

The bodies responsible for the C.E.F. management are:

- 4.1. The Council of European Foresters (Council)
- 4.2. The President





Article 5. THE COUNCIL

- 5.1. The Council is the supreme authority of the C.E.F. and shall meet at least once every Presidency period in an ordinary meeting and every time needed in extraordinary meetings.
- 5.2. The Council decides about the C.E.F. objectives and strategy for the next year.
- 5.3. The Council consists of the president and a representative of each country member organization, who shall be the vice-president of the C.E.F. 5.4. Each member of the Council shall have one vote.
- 5.5. The costs of participants attending the Council meetings shall be supported by their organizations.
- 5.6. The quorum for the Council shall be two thirds of the number of member organizations.
- 5.7. Decisions of the Council shall be taken by simple majority of the votes.
- 5.8. Other members of the organizations, affiliated to the C.E.F., can also attend the meetings of the Council, having an observer status.

Article 6. THE PRESIDENT

- 6.1. The President represents C.E.F. in any international contacts regarding the foresters' interests.
- 6.2. The President shall be elected for one year. The Council will decide the order of countries for the C.E.F. President. The list of the countries for the C.E.F. President will be completed according to the foresters' organization affiliation date to the C.E.F. For a country to gain access for a second time as C.E.F. President it is necessary that all the other countries to have held this position or to have rejected it.
- 6.3. The President has to participate to all the important forestry meetings and to present the C.E.F. position, established by the Council.
- 6.4. The President has to inform, every month, the C.E.F. member organizations about C.E.F. and his activity for C.E.F.
- 6.5. The President must use a proper staff and logistic for a good running of the C.E.F. activity.

It can be provided the continuity to the C.E.F. website, using the same holder, and the expenses shall be supported by the organization which holds the Presidency.

All the costs related to the President's activity, including participation at international meetings, shall be supported by his/her organization.

Article 7. SUBSCRIPTIONS

- 7.1. There is no subscription of the member organizations to C.E.F.
- 7.2. For attending the manifestations organized by C.E.F., the costs shall be supported by each delegate (organization).

Article 8. GENERAL

8.1. This Statute was approved by the representatives of the foresters' organizations from Croatia, Hungary, Moldova Republic, Romania and Turkey, present at Sibiu, Romania, on 25th of August, 2011.

THE STATUTE OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPEAN FORESTERS WAS ADOPTED BY C.E.F. ON THE 25TH OF AUGUST 2011, IN SIBIU, ROMANIA

