

## IR-138 Internal Rules of Procedure

Proposer: Executive Committee

Resolution date: 17.02.2024

### Amendment for IR

From line 138 to 147:

2. 3. 7. Majorities needed for decisions:
2. 3. 7. ■ ~~Activity Report of present year: 2/3~~ In principle, all decisions must be made with an absolute majority in favour of present votes at the General Assembly is required vote, unless determined otherwise.
2. 3. 7. ■ ~~Financial Report of present year: 2/3 majority in favour of present votes at the General Assembly is required.~~
2. 3. 7. ■ ~~In case of disapproval by the General Assembly, the Activity and the Financial Report for the previous year has to be redone by the new Executive Committee based on the comments~~ Only final adoption ~~of the GA within the next 2 months and distributed to the MOs. For approval a~~ organisational documents (IRPs, Political Platform, Statutes) require 2/3 majority ~~in favour of all MOs by email is needed within 30 days.~~

2. 3. 7.

Delete from line 184 to 207:

2. 3. 12. Statute voting procedure is explained in detail in the Statutes:
2. 3. ~~13.~~ ~~IRP voting procedure:~~
- ~~Simple amendments require absolute majority in favour of all present votes at the General Assembly;~~
  - ~~Whole Chapters require 2/3 majority in favour of present votes at the General Assembly;~~
  - ~~Whole document requires 2/3 majority in favour of all present votes at the General Assembly.~~
2. 3. ~~14.~~ ~~Political Platform voting procedure:~~
- ~~Simple amendments require absolute majority in favour of all present votes at the General Assembly;~~
  - ~~Whole Chapters require 2/3 majority in favour of present votes at the General Assembly;~~

- ~~Whole document requires 2/3 majority in favour of all present votes at the General Assembly.~~

- 2. 3. ~~15. The Strategy statement, resolutions and any other documents of CDN requires an absolute majority in favour of all present votes at the General Assembly.~~
- 2. 3. ~~16. The Financial Plan of CDN requires a 2/3 majority in favour of all present votes at the General Assembly. The Financial Plan has to be approved before closing the General Assembly.~~
- 2. 3. 1. ~~The Activity Plan of CDN requires a 2/3 majority in favour of all present votes at the General Assembly.~~

From line 213 to 215:

- 2. 3. 18. distributed to the Member organisations within 2 months for voting by email. ~~A 2/3~~ Absolute majority in favour of all Member organisations is required within 30 days.

## Reason

The amendment simplifies the procedure of voting as it removes majorities for each document instead it determines that in principle required majority is absolute.

## IR-150 Internal Rules of Procedure

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### Amendment for IR

Insert after line 150:

2. 3. 9.

For the election of the Secretary-General, a candidate must secure a majority of all present votes at the General Assembly. In the event that no candidate achieves an absolute majority in the first round, a second round of voting will be conducted. If, after the second round, no candidate secures a majority, the candidate with the highest number of votes will be selected for the position of Secretary-General. In the case of a tie among candidates in the second round, subsequent rounds of voting will occur until one candidate obtains a majority.

Insert in line 447:

8. 2. The Secretary General is elected for a two-year term by the General Assembly. Pre-selection of candidates is carried out by Executive Committee in accordance with the delegation order. Candidates not selected by the Executive Committee can still run for the position and present themselves at the General Assembly minding that they will not have support of the Executive Committee. Final decision is made by the General Assembly. The term of the Secretary General may be extended once but cannot exceed two terms in total. The duration served as an "interim Secretary General" does not count toward the official mandate duration.

### Reason

The Executive Committee proposes to change the procedure of electing the Secretary General and allow the final decision to be made by the General Assembly instead of the Executive Committee. We believe that this change will result in equipping the Secretary General with a stronger political mandate, as well as making the process more democratic, inclusive, and transparent.

## IR-154 Internal Rules of Procedure

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### Amendment for IR

From line 154 to 175:

2. 3. 10. If ~~several candidates get more than two third~~ candidates secure a 2/3 majority in favour of all present votes in favor than there are available seats, the candidate with the highest number of votes in favour will decide.
2. 3. 10. 2.  
2. 3. 11. If one or more candidates get less than 2/3 majority in favour of all present votes at the General Assembly, ~~then in case of:~~
2. 3. 11. ■ ~~1 candidate: the place in the Executive Committee remains empty~~
2. 3. 11. ■ ~~2 candidates: an absolute majority of present votes in favour at the General Assembly in a second round is required. If both candidates get more than an absolute majority than the candidate with the highest number of votes in favour will pass. In~~ Then, in case ~~there is of~~
2. 3. 11. ■ ■ 1 Candidate: a draw among the candidates, the ~~next~~ second round of voting ~~should be done among those two~~ vote is conducted. The ~~If, after this round~~ candidate ~~with a higher number of votes and absolute majority will become the next member of EC. In case there is a draw again or none of the candidates~~ does not reach an absolute majority, the ~~spot in the EC will be left~~ seat remains vacant.
2. 3. 11. ■ ■ ~~3~~ 2 or more candidates: The candidate with the highest number of votes is elected, considering ~~that~~ they have ~~absolute majority in favour in the second round will pass. In case there is a draw among two or more candidates, the next round of the voting should be done among those candidates. The candidate with a higher number of votes and absolute majority will become the next member of EC. In case there is a draw again a third round of election should take place. In case there is a draw again or none of the candidates reach~~ secured absolute majority, ~~the spot in the EC will be left~~ vacant.

## Reason

The proposal simplifies the procedure for the election of the Executive Committee. The amendment does not change the substance of the procedure except for the case when only one candidate does not receive a two-thirds majority in the first round. In this case, the new amendment allows for a second round, while the original procedure concludes that the seat remains vacant.

## IR-307 Internal Rules of Procedure

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### Amendment for IR

Insert after line 307:

3. 1. Further responsibilities and tasks are defined by Internal Delegation Order, which outlines the authority granted to one or more individuals to make decisions on behalf of CDN, as well as the procedures involved, where applicable. It is adopted by the Executive Committee on an annual basis with 2/3 majority, detailed procedures are defined within the document.

Insert from line 313 to 315:

17. These Executive Committee positions are to be chosen by Executive Committee members from amongst themselves and this decision, alongside adopted delegation order, has to be published after the first in-person EC meeting.

### Reason

The proposal adds mention of the Internal Delegation Order, which was introduced as an internal management and responsibilities tool during the 2023-24 EC mandate. As evaluated, it was successful in boosting EC's productivity and engagement. Therefore, we decided to add this to the IRPs to ensure sustainability and continuation of this practice.

Additionally, we are adding a transparency requirement stating that the adopted delegation order should be published after it is adopted in the first meeting.

## IR-331 Internal Rules of Procedure

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### Amendment for IR

From line 331 to 333:

3. 21. ■ ~~Work~~ Making strategic and political decisions concerning the organisation during their term - based on the strategy and CDN's best interest;
3. 21. ■ Contribute to the implementation of ~~CDN's~~ Activity Plan, ~~approved by the General Assembly (including project writing, coordination, implementation~~ shaping and reporting); adhering to the political direction while ensuring alignment with the strategy;

In line 336:

3. 21. ■ Monitoring work-flow of ~~the Working Groups;~~ CDN structures;;

From line 339 to 342:

3. 21. ■ ~~Answering challenges and making decisions throughout the year, between GAs, based on the CDN Strategy and CDN's best interest;~~
3. 21. ■ Actively participating in the regular ~~(biweekly)~~ online and in-person EC meetings .

### Reason

The proposal clarifies the responsibilities of Executive Committee to better reflect the reality. Namely, the amendment removes tasks to write projects, monitoring, etc which is staff responsibility (even though EC members, in case of willl, can help). Besides, the amendment deletes monitoring of Working Groups and replaces it with "CDN structures" that includes working groups as well as any other structure we set up - action teams, presidency, etc.

## IR-393 Internal Rules of Procedure

Proposer: Executive Committee

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### Amendment for IR

Insert in line 393:

#### 6. **Working groups and Action teams:**

Insert from line 432 to 433:

6. 6. content, should be reviewed and confirmed by the EC and/or Secretariat.
6. 1. Action Teams are comprised of three or more people who collaborate to accomplish specific aims or objectives within the organisation. These teams are formed to initiate and execute projects, actions, or campaigns aimed at advancing CDN's mission and goals. Action Teams operate under the guidance and approval of the Executive Committee, ensuring alignment with the organisation's Political Platform.