

BYLAWS OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR NONVIOLENT MOVEMENTS (ONM)

Article 1 – Constitution

An association governed by the amended French law of July 1, 1901, and its implementing regulations is hereby established among the signatories of these bylaws.

Its name is “Organization for Nonviolent Movements.”

The association's duration is unlimited.

Article 2 – Registered Office

The registered office of the association is located at 14 rue de Saint-Pétersbourg, 75008 Paris, France.

It may be moved by decision of the board of directors (also referred to as “Board” in these bylaws).

Article 3 – Purpose

The association's non-profit and altruistic purpose is to:

- develop and promote scholarly research on the theme of nonviolent movements;

- organize cultural and academic events related to the theme of nonviolent movements (conferences, symposia, seminars, etc.);

- To employ staff, facilitators, and service providers within the framework of its activities;

- To publish any document, work, or publication, in any format, whether paid or free, that conforms to its social purpose;

- To offer educational initiatives of various kinds (summer institutes, training courses, workshops, courses, etc.);

- To establish partnerships with research and higher education institutions, government agencies, associations, and other organizations in order to promote the scientific and technical study of nonviolent movements;

- To contribute to the development of scientific and technical knowledge on the topic of nonviolent movements;

- To translate scientific and technical knowledge on the topic of nonviolent movements into several languages.

The association aspires to become a learned, multidisciplinary, and multiprofessional society focused on the topic of nonviolent movements.

The association subscribes to the principle of secularism and maintains strict neutrality with regard to the religious and/or spiritual beliefs of its members.

It situates its project within a framework of public interest, by being open to all audiences, ensuring that its activities retain their non-profit, secular nature, and in particular, remaining free from any partisan affiliation.

In all circumstances, the association guarantees democratic operation by ensuring the transparency of its actions.

Article 4 – Means of Action and Geographic Scope

In general, the association intends to prioritize informing the public.

It cooperates with all stakeholders interested in defending the collective interests defined in Article 3 (State, local authorities, public or private institutions, associations, etc.) pursuing the same goals and existing throughout France and, more generally, throughout the entire geographic area of the Francophonie and Europe. The association may publish documentation in any format, organize various meetings, conduct training sessions and courses, disseminate messages in the press or by any other means, commission studies, acquire or manage interests in any company, group,

or association, and, more generally, enter into any contract enabling it to develop its purpose and protect its name and objectives.

In order to ensure the legitimate defense of the collective interests defined in its bylaws, the association may also take legal action, either as plaintiff or defendant.

Article 5 – Members of the Association

Members of the association are those who have subscribed to these bylaws and are up-to-date with their membership dues.

Membership in the association is automatically lost through:

- a) resignation;
- b) death;
- c) non-payment of dues;
- d) Exclusion by decision of the board of directors under the following conditions:

The Board, acting by a simple majority, may expel a member or a member of the board of directors for serious cause, provided that the individual concerned has been invited by any means to appear before the board of directors, accompanied by a person of their choice, to provide explanations.

Article 6 – Board of Directors

The association is administered by a board of directors composed of at least three members, elected by the general assembly, and renewable annually.

At the first meeting following the ordinary general assembly, it elects the officers from among its members.

The Board has full powers for the administration and day-to-day management of the association.

Its function is, in particular, to prepare an annual budget and to set the association's major strategic directions.

The Board may appoint a spokesperson for the association, from among its members or supporters, and define the spokesperson's scope of action.

The Board meets at least once every six months and whenever convened by the president or at the request of one-quarter of its members.

The presence of at least one-third of the board members is required for valid deliberations.

All decisions are made by a simple majority; in the event of a tie, the president's vote is decisive.

Meetings are held in person or remotely, including via videoconference.

Minutes are kept of all meetings.

Applications to serve on the board must be submitted no later than 8 days before the general meeting and are subject to approval by the executive committee.

Only those whose applications have been previously approved by the executive committee and duly included on the agenda in the notice of the general meeting may be elected to the board.

Article 7 – Executive Committee

The executive committee, consisting of a president, a secretary general, and a treasurer, is elected annually at the general meeting.

The office has access to the association's material resources.

The office manages human resources, executes campaigns, and handles internal and external communications for the association; it has the broadest powers to administer the association, under the supervision of the Board of Directors.

The office may delegate, under its responsibility, some of its duties to one or more individuals mandated to carry them out.

Article 8 – Scientific Advisory Board

The Scientific Advisory Board is a body for scientific and technical evaluation and proposals in support of the association.

It provides its opinion on the association's strategic directions submitted to it by the Board of Directors.

The Scientific Advisory Board's missions include:

- conducting monitoring and forecasting;

- evaluating the work carried out or supported by the association;

- providing technical advice to the Board.

The members of this committee are appointed by the Board for a one-year term, renewable.

Article 9 – General Meeting

The association's general meeting comprises members whose dues are paid up to date on the date of the meeting. Members may appoint a proxy or be represented.

However, no member may hold more than four proxies.

The general meeting is held, in principle, once per calendar year, convened by the Board or at the request of one-quarter of its members.

However, if the meeting has not been held for more than one year, it may be convened at the request of the president, one-quarter of the Board members, or one-tenth of the members.

The Board sets the agenda.

The Board takes all necessary steps to send members the notice of meeting and the agenda well in advance, and at least 14 days before the date of the meeting, by any means (mail, email, hand delivery, etc.). Only items on the agenda may be decided by the Assembly.

Decisions of the general assemblies are taken by a majority of the members present and represented.

The vote is public (generally conducted by a show of hands) unless a secret ballot is requested by a majority of the members present and represented.

Decisions voted on take effect immediately and are binding on all members, including those absent from the meeting at which they were made.

Minutes are kept of the general assembly meetings.

The ordinary general assembly votes, in particular, on the activity report, the financial report, and the moral report presented by the Board.

The general assembly approves the accounts for the past fiscal year, deliberates on the items on the agenda, considers other matters, and elects the board of directors. Whenever the interests of the association so requires, the president, the board, or one-quarter of the association's members may convene an extraordinary general assembly; it may, in particular, vote on proposed amendments to the bylaws.

Article 10 – President

The president, or any member expressly designated by them, represents the association in all aspects of its civil life.

The president, or their representative, is authorized to take legal action on behalf of the association in all administrative, civil, or criminal matters related to its purpose.

They convene and chair the meetings of the various governing bodies (General Assemblies, Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Scientific Advisory Board) and ensure the proper conduct of these meetings.

Article 11 – Commitment of Expenditures

The Executive Committee designates from among its members the association members authorized to sign and make payments.

The Executive Committee sets a spending limit beyond which, except in cases of emergency, any expenditure is subject to its express approval, deliberating if necessary by any means of communication.

Members of the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee receive no remuneration for the duties they perform in the course of their mandate. Reimbursements of justified expenses are not considered remuneration.

Article 12 – Revenue

The association's revenue includes, in particular:

- donations and bequests that the association may receive in accordance with applicable laws;
- annual membership dues set by the Board of Directors;
- contributions entrusted by its members to further its purpose;
- subsidies from French or foreign public or private entities;
- income from the assets and trademarks it owns;
- the amount of loans contracted;
- proceeds from studies, consulting, and work it may carry out for third parties;
- profits from the sale of products;
- royalties, rents, dividends, financial income from investments, and, in general, all income it may derive from its activities or the missions entrusted to it.

Article 13 – Accounting

The association prepares annual accounts each year, including a balance sheet, an income statement, and notes to the financial statements.

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting regulations for associations.

The association's fiscal year is 12 months.

The association's annual accounts are approved by the Board of Directors and by the

General Assembly.

Article 14 – Dissolution

Dissolution may be decided by the General Assembly upon proper notice, which must include a proposed resolution on the agenda.

In this case, one or more liquidators are appointed, and the liquidators are responsible for settling the association's liabilities.

Signed, in Paris, on November 3, 2025

Amber FRENCH-GRIETTE – Présidente

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Ivan MAROVIC – Secrétaire général

A handwritten signature in blue ink, 'Ivan Marovic', written in a clear, slightly cursive font.

Catherine SCACHE SMITH – Trésorière

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