

Statutes of the streetfootballworld Network

Preamble

The streetfootballworld Network, hereinafter designated as "the Network", is an international network of non-governmental, not-for-profit organisations.

The Network has been developed in a first 4-year-period (2003-2006) under the initiative of streetfootballworld gGmbH as an informally linked group of independent non-governmental, not-for-profit organisations that use football as a tool for social development and address topics like violence prevention, health awareness, social integration, peace building, environmental protection and education. The current stage of development requires the definition of a basic agreement in order to guarantee quality development on all levels backed by a transparent and participative governance structure.

The Statutes at hand and their By-laws shall regulate all processes, rights and duties of Members within the Network and are of a provisional nature until their formal acceptance by the General Assembly.

Mission

The mission of the Network is to: "develop a centre of competence that interconnects and strengthens long-term football based social/development initiatives that transform the lives of disadvantaged individuals from around the world, increasing their opportunities and consolidating an environment of social change on a global scale."

Objective

The main objectives of the Network are to:

- (1) Promote and increase the use of football as a tool for social development
- (2) Influence the policy of the world's decision makers to establish the approach "Development through Football" on the global agenda for development and peace
- (3) Facilitate and sustain the investment in streetfootballworld Network Members and increase the quality at management and delivery level

Article 1 – Principles

In pursuance of its mission and objectives the Network shall abide by the principles of mutual respect and recognition, international cooperation, sovereignty and non-interference into the rights of its Members. It shall strictly oppose every form of discrimination for reasons of race, ethnicity, religion, political view, language, disability, sexual orientation, gender, age or economic status.

Article 2 – Legal representation of the Network

2.1. For the time-being and in all practical purposes linked to the implementation of its activities, streetfootballworld gGmbH shall be the entity that represents the Network in all legal matters. This entity operates under German laws and shall be legally registered in

Berlin, Germany, with the status of a "gemeinnützige Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung (gGmbH)" ("not-for-profit company limited "); it is managed by the streetfootballworld Managing Director. Since its start in 2002 streetfootballworld gGmbH is recognizing and celebrating the role of football as a tool for social development.

According to its founding charter, one of the main fields of action of the streetfootballworld gGmbH is the "development and co-ordination of the streetfootballworld Network, a global network of organisations working in the field of "Development through Football", based on the principles of inclusiveness and diversity."

2.2. streetfootballworld gGmbH, as legal entity representing the Network, is dedicated exclusively and directly to purposes of benefit to the public according to the section "tax-deductible purposes" of the German tax law. The purpose of the streetfootballworld gGmbH is to support development through sport in general, youth being the main focus and football the central tool.

2.3. streetfootballworld gGmbH, as legal entity representing the Network, is a citizen sector organisation (not-for-profit); the pursuit of financial gain shall not be its main priority.

2.4. The funds of streetfootballworld gGmbH allocated to the activities of the Network shall only be spent to further the purposes of the Statutes and Bye-Laws.

2.5. No one person or organisation shall receive financial rewards which violate the basic purposes and principles contained in the Statutes and Bye-Laws or create disproportional privilege.

2.6. Apart from the responsibilities for the Network mentioned in these Statutes and Bye-Laws, streetfootballworld gGmbH shall be free to administer all funds that are not related to the Network activities independently and without permission from any of the Network's organs.

2.7. The Network shall be registered in due time as a non-governmental organisation in its own right and in addition to streetfootballworld gGmbH, pending a positive decision of the first General Assembly. The resulting cooperation modalities, formal relationships and responsibilities of the Network and streetfootballworld gGmbH shall be constructed to ensure maximal mutual benefits for the involved bodies.

Article 3 - Membership in the Network

The Network shall consist of politically independent, not-for-profit organisations that are officially registered in their country of origin and work in the field of "Development through Football" on an ongoing, sustainable basis. Their football and social development programmes shall be up and running at the moment of admission to the Network. Social development programmes shall be a central element of their work and focus on one or more of the following areas:

- Children's Rights
- Education
- Environment
- Health

- Social/Urban Issues & Antidiscrimination
- Peace and Reconciliation

Only Members that strictly oppose every form of discrimination in their daily working practise as described in “Article 1 – Principles” are eligible for membership in the Network.

All Members shall strive to fulfil the following principles for successful development work:

- Active participation / Empowerment of the local community
- Local ownership and sustainability of the programmes
- Promoting an active role of girls and women in all parts of the organisation and programmes
- Promoting the participation of youth in decision making processes of the organisation
- Transparent accounting and documentation
- Effective monitoring and evaluation of the activities
- Commitment to networking and international cooperation

In order to ensure the best possible support, the Network Management Team shall prepare profiles of each member organisation on the basis of annual evaluations that take into account the activity and input of the Member within the Network and the impact of the member organisation’s local work. The evaluation shall be participative and performed in direct dialogue with the member organisation.

General services offered by the Network Management Team and duties that have to be fulfilled by each member will be developed, in order to guarantee all members the adequate support they need for sustainable organisational development according to their current situation. These services and duties shall be described in the By-Laws.

Article 4 - Admission of New Members

Any organisation for which provision is made under article 3 and that satisfies to the provisions of article 1 of the By-Laws may become a Member of the Network upon acceptance of the Statutes and By-Laws. Such Membership shall be ratified by the Network Board on the basis of the evaluation and assessment of the candidate’s eligibility to Network membership. This evaluation and assessment shall be performed by the Network Management Team, and may include consultation of already existing members.

Article 5 - Resignation and Removal of Members

Any Member after having fulfilled all obligations to the Network may resign by written notice to the responsible Regional Coordinator or to the Network Director (any such resignation to take effect as specified therein, or if not so specified, upon receipt by the Regional Coordinator or Network Director). Any Member may be removed or suspended at any time for failure to maintain the standards and criteria for admission and continuing Membership or for other cause that violates the basic principles of the Statutes and By-Laws by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Network Board then in office.

Article 6 - Services Provided

The Network, managed by the Network Management Team, shall endeavour to give the best service possible to its Members through its web-based communication platforms, publications, programmes of exchange of information and experience, support in the organisation of events and any other appropriate means within the limits of its budget and according to its general working programme.

Article 7 - Co-operation with External Partners

The Network shall endeavour to maintain close co-operation with all relevant actors, public and private, in the field of "Development through Football", "International Co-operation" and "Social Entrepreneurship".

These co-operations may take the form of specific agreements that shall at all times be in accordance with the general purposes of the Network. The agreements shall be signed by the Managing Director of the streetfootballworld gGmbH as the legal entity representing the Network. Long-term, strategic alliances shall furthermore be previously ratified by the Network Board with a two-thirds majority.

Article 8 - Organs of the Network

The organs of the Network shall be:

- the General Assembly;
- the Network Board;
- the Network Management Team.

Article 9 - General Assembly

9.1. The General Assembly is the supreme organ of the Network and consists of all its Members. It shall meet every two years. It may meet in extraordinary session if summoned by the Network Board or upon the request of more than half of its Members. In all cases advance notice and an agenda shall be sent to all Members at least one month before the meeting. The General Assembly may modify the provisional agenda if it is deemed necessary or appropriate.

9.2. The General Assembly shall approve the strategic guidelines for the Network's activities proposed by the Network Board. It shall elect the Members of the Network Board and decide upon changes to the Statutes, which can be proposed by the Network Board, the Network Management Team or a group of at least a half of the voting members. The General Assembly is charged with accepting the reports of the organs of the Network.

9.3. Each Member organisation shall appoint a duly-authorized delegate for representation at meetings. As a rule, this representative shall be its highest ranking officer or his/her designee. Member Representatives shall have the right to vote at the General Assembly on behalf of the Network Member that they are representing.

9.4. All Members shall have one vote at the General Assembly. The General Assembly reaches a quorum when a minimum of 25% of the Network Members are present. The General Assembly may take decisions concerning items on the official agenda by a simple majority vote of the Members present on the day of the Assembly, except for elections of new Network Board members and proposed changes to the Statutes as described in Art. 9.5. of these Statutes.

9.5. Members unable to attend sessions of the General Assembly may vote by postal vote or electronic vote only for the election of new Members of the Network Board or proposed changes to the Statutes. Their vote must reach the Secretariat no later than two weeks prior to the date of the General Assembly. The General Assembly reaches a quorum to vote on those items when the number of votes to be cast at an Assembly including postal votes reaches a simple majority of the total number of voting Members. Elections are decided by simple majority of those voting; changes to the Statutes may be adopted by a two-thirds majority as stated in Art. 15 of these Statutes.

9.6. The General Assembly shall be presided over by one of the Members of the Network Board (to be nominated by the Network Board Members).

9.7. With the agreement of the Network Board, observers may attend meetings with no right to vote.

Article 10 - Network Board

10.1. The Network Board shall consist of:

- the Managing Director of streetfootballworld gGmbH;
- the Network Director;
- the Executive Manager of the Network;
- five representatives of Network Members.

10.2 Every Member of the Network Board has the right to vote except the Executive Manager, who acts as Secretary General of the Network Board. The Managing Director of streetfootballworld gGmbH has a veto right concerning all matters that may affect the continued existence and viability of the legal entity currently representing the Network (streetfootballworld gGmbH) of which he/she is a main shareholder and associate, or such matters that may engage his/her legal responsibility and liability as defined by German law under which the streetfootballworld gGmbH operates.

The five Network Members within the Network Board shall be elected by the General Assembly for a two-year period. Network Members who are appointed as Regional Coordinators by the Network Management Team are not eligible to the Network Board during their term in office. At least two of the elected Members of the Network Board shall retire at each session of the General Assembly. Candidates are only eligible for two consecutive full two year terms of office. Out of the 5 first Board members to be elected, 2 shall be chosen by lot to be only eligible for one term, so that the rotation can begin after 2 years.

The Managing Director of streetfootballworld gGmbH, the Network Director and the Executive Manager of the Network in office shall be ex-officio Members of the Network Board. The Network Director and the Executive Manager shall be appointed and mandated by the streetfootballworld Managing Director. In case that the Managing Director of streetfootballworld gGmbH chooses to resign or is unable to fulfil his or her function through force of circumstance, the streetfootballworld gGmbH associates appoint a new streetfootballworld Managing Director to represent streetfootballworld gGmbH in the Network Board.

10.3 The Network Board shall have the authority to co-opt up to two additional representatives if it is deemed appropriate or necessary due to imbalances (geographical and representation of all levels of membership), and upon proposal by the Network Director. The appointment of these Network Board members shall be in effect until the following meeting of the General Assembly. They have no right to vote.

10.4. Meetings of the Network Board shall be arranged by the Executive Manager of the Network.

10.5. The Network Board shall act as counselling body to the Network Management Team and as mediator in case of conflicts within the Network. It shall set up the strategic guidelines for the development of the Network in two year cycles. It shall have the power to decide upon proposed changes of the By-Laws with a two thirds majority. The Network Board shall oversee the financial and administrative affairs of the Network Management Team and therefore approve all budget plans and reports concerning the implementation of projects in the framework of the Network's activities, provided by the Network Management Team and the external auditing company contracted through streetfootballworld gGmbH. The Network Board shall confirm all appointments of Regional Coordinators established by the Network Director, as well as the nomination of the Network Director by the Managing Director. It shall furthermore be called upon as mediating body in case of difficult or conflictive decisions to be made by the Network Management Team within the framework of the network development.

It may, should circumstances so require, adopt urgent measures by a two-thirds majority of Members present and voting, subject to ratification by the next General Assembly.

10.6. The Network Board will reach a quorum if at least five of the seven voting Members are present. The Network Board may also take urgent decisions by postal or electronic vote.

10.7. The Network Board shall meet at least once a year.

10.8. The Network Board shall prepare the meetings of the General Assembly, led by the Executive Manager of the Network and shall submit a report on the Network's work and activities.

10.9. When, through force of circumstances, the General Assembly is unable to meet before the expiration of the normal term of the Network Board, the Board shall remain in office until the Assembly is able to meet again.

10.10. All members of the Network Board shall endeavour to present and represent the Network on all appropriate occasions, e.g. congresses or seminars. Official speeches and presentations have to be approved by the Executive Manager of the Network beforehand.

10.11. Internal regulations will define the duties of the Members of the Network Board and define the conditions for the setting-up of ad-hoc commissions charged with performing specific tasks. The Network Board as well as the other organs of the Network shall support the work of informal networks or working groups performing specific and/or issue-oriented tasks and originating from within the Network's Membership by any appropriate means. These networks and working groups must be pursuing objectives in accordance with the Network's Statutes and Working Programme and shall be accountable to the Network Management Team for their work.

The Network Board may grant observer status for specified meetings to representatives of institutions with which the Network has entered strategic partnerships. This status is not permanent and may be revoked at any time by the Network Board.

The Network Board members – in co-operation with the Regional Coordinators - have the continuous task to develop mechanisms that guarantee an appropriate participation of the member organisations and of the programme participants within the member organisations, in order to fulfil their role with the due responsibility.

Article 11 – Network Management Team

11.1. The Network Management Team shall consist of:

- the Network Director;
- the Executive Manager;
- the Network Staff;
- the Regional Coordinators.

11.2. The Network Management Team shall represent the Network and manage its activities between the sessions of the Network Board, for which the Executive Manager prepares the agenda.

11.3. The Network Director

The Network Director shall represent the Network on all occasions. In case of unavailability, the Network Director may appoint a representative from the Network Management Team or the Network Board of his or her choice. He or she shall have the power to sign agreements and official contracts concerning the Network's activities as well as any documents committing funds allocated to the activities of the Network by streetfootballworld gGmbH. The Network Director shall have permanent voting right in the Network Board.

The Network Director is responsible for the work of the Network Management Team. Together with the Executive Manager and the respective staff members of the Network Management Team he or she shall establish and respectively maintain strategic partnerships to further develop the Network; coordinate the creation of budget plans related to the Network's activities; assure the provision of global services like the web platform, promotion materials, publications and advocacy; conceptualise and organise global and regional events of the Network; coordinate the admission and expulsion of Members in cooperation with the

Regional Coordinators as well as monitor and evaluate new Network Members in regions without a Regional Coordinator.

The Managing Director shall nominate the Network Director. Such nomination shall be ratified by the Network Board and is valid for a period of 4 years, after which it can be renewed. As long as the Network Director remains an associate of streetfootballworld gGmbH and as long as the latter acts as the legal representation of the Network, his/her legal liabilities shall be defined by the applying German laws.

11.4 The Executive Manager

The Executive Manager shall manage the administrative work of the Network. He or she shall coordinate the allocation of funds – upon availability - within the Network and provide the external auditing service of the streetfootballworld gGmbH with all necessary reports and documents to conduct the auditing. He shall support the organisation of regional and global events. The Executive Manager shall have the power to sign agreements and official contracts concerning the Network's activities as well as any documents committing funds allocated to the activities of the Network by streetfootballworld gGmbH.

The Executive Manager shall act as Secretary General to the Network Board and be present at all meetings of the Board. He or she shall have no voting right on the Network Board.

11.5 The Network Management Staff

The Network Management Staff shall support the Network Director with the administrative work of the Network and other tasks. Staff members shall be subdivided in departments focusing on Network Development, Communications, Know-how Management and Special Events. The Network Director shall appoint the number of persons necessary to fulfil the work to be undertaken. The Network Management Staff is financed from sources allocated by the streetfootballworld gGmbH.

The Network Director, the Executive Manager and the Network Management Staff shall have their seat at the Secretariat.

11.6 The Regional Coordinators

The Regional Coordinators shall be individuals that represent the Network in their respective world regions. They shall assure the direct contact of the Network Members in the respective region and the Regional Networks with the Secretariat. They shall monitor the Network Members in their geographical region; evaluate new Members in their region and decide together with the Network Management Team upon the acceptance or denial of their application; support the annual assessment of the Network Members in the region; organise and implement regional meetings, exchange programmes, seminars, etc. and establish strategies for the network development in the region together with the respective Network Members.

All Regional Coordinators shall report to the Network Director and inform him or her about all relevant developments in their respective region. Subject to availability of funds, they shall receive a budget allocated annually for their work from the Network's budget or other sources available and dedicated to this purpose. The amount of the budget shall be defined by internal regulations.

Within the limits of such budgets, the Regional Coordinators shall settle any expenses connected with the administrative work of the Regional Network. They shall prepare a strategic development plan, including activity plans and detailed proposal for the allocation of their budget which need to be approved by the Network Director before they are put into action. All Regional Coordinators shall send a yearly report informing about all expenses to the Network Director for approval, together with relevant financial documentation and receipts.

Regional Coordinators shall be appointed by the Network Director and confirmed by the Network Board. A Regional Coordinator shall be either a representative from a Network Member in the respective region or an external expert that according to his or her professional career and regional experiences will be able to fulfil the tasks to be undertaken. Regional Coordinators shall be appointed for a term of 2 years, with the possibility to re-new the appointed after each two-year-term. No Member of the Network Board can be a Regional Coordinator during his or her term in office.

When appropriate, the Regional Coordinators shall cooperate with one or more selected Members in each country, who shall support their work. These organisations shall support the development of the network at the national level and work as direct link between the Members in the respective country and the Regional Coordinator. These organisations shall work on a voluntary basis and shall not receive any remuneration from the Regional Coordinator for their work. If considered appropriate by the Regional Coordinator, the nomination of such organisations can be decided by an election of all Members in the respective country.

The Network Director shall strive to establish Regional Coordinators in all regions of the world where there is an identified and defined need. In case any of such regions are not represented, the Network Director shall endeavour to find appropriate partners within the Network Members or external experts to carry out the tasks of a Regional Coordinator as long as the position remains vacant.

11.7 The Network Management Team will endeavour to increase the Network's visibility on international, regional and national levels and will seek to attract new Members, especially in regions or countries where it is not yet represented.

The Network Management Team will seek to increase the Network's financial and material resources through the initiation of new partnerships with the public and private sector that are to be ratified by the Network Board.

Article 12 - Secretariat

The Secretariat is the primary seat of the Network Director, the Executive Manager and the Network Management Staff and is currently located in Berlin, Germany.

The Network Director is responsible for the work of the Secretariat and for the organisation of the meetings held at the Secretariat, as well as for the follow-up of any decision taken during those meetings.

Article 13 - Financial Management

13.1. The financial resources of the Network shall be derived from:

- grants from inter-governmental organisations, governments, non-governmental organisations or public bodies;
- subventions or sponsorship from private bodies or persons;
- various activities.

13.2. The Network Director has the fiduciary responsibility for the funds related to all Network activities. If events of an unforeseen nature occur or if it is deemed appropriate, the Network Director may settle supplementary expenses for specific budget items in an amount of up to 20% of the amount approved by the Network Board. This is only possible under the condition that the corresponding amount can justifiably be deduced from other budget items.

13.3. Internal regulations will define all other aspects of the financial management of the Network which are not specified in these Statutes, thereby taking into account the legislation and fiscal regulations of the host country of the Secretariat.

Article 14 - Honours and Awards

Any time it is deemed desirable, the Network Board may award prizes, trophies, honours, or distinctions to institutions or personalities who have worked in a notable manner within the field of the Network's activities. These distinctions shall be awarded by the Network Director.

Article 15 - Amendments to the Statutes

Proposals to amend the Statutes may be submitted by the Network Board to the General Assembly two months before the latter meets. The adoption of such proposals shall be under the condition that such amendments are passed by a two-thirds majority of votes cast.

Article 16 – Dissolution

The streetfootballworld gGmbH can dissolve the Network if it is deemed necessary due to external circumstances or in the event of a bankruptcy. In case of dissolution or bankruptcy, and if the Members so wish, the streetfootballworld gGmbH commits to support the creation of an alternate structure, so that the activities of the former Network can continue independently.

Article 17 - Internal Regulations

Internal regulations established by the Network Board and the Network Management Team shall cover all aspects of the Network's administration which are not specified in these Statutes.

By-Laws of the streetfootballworld Network

Article 1 – Membership

1.1. Membership may be acquired by all organisations which fulfil the criteria listed in article 3 of the Statutes. According to article 4 of the Statutes, membership shall be ratified by the Network Board and come into force upon acceptance of the Statutes and Bye-Laws by the applying organisation.

1.1.1. Legal registration

Only organisations that are legally registered in their country of origin or in the country in which they operate can become a member of the Network.

If an applying organisation is not legally registered at the moment of application, the application for membership shall only be considered by the Network Management Team if two other network members and/or the responsible Regional Coordinator (when there is one) officially recommend the applying organisation for membership. Furthermore the applying organisation shall prove that the process of legal registration in their home country or any other country they wish to register in is underway and provide the Network Management Team with a rough timeline of the registration process.

As long as it is not legally registered, a prospective member organisation shall not be eligible to apply for funds mediated through the streetfootballworld network.

1.1.2. Classification as not-for-profit organisation

If the legal registration does not specify the mode of operation (for-profit/not-for-profit) the Network Management Team shall take into account the official mission statement of the organisation and/or demand further material about the organisation's financing structures for clarification.

1.1.3. Political independence

Government programmes or governmental sub-agencies shall not be eligible for membership in the network.

Organisations whose only funding partner is a government or a political party or whose staff is entirely paid by government/political party funds shall not be eligible for membership in the network.

If an executive-level representative of an existing member organisation assumes a political position in the government or in a party (e.g. mayor, parliamentarian, minister, etc), he or she shall retire from his position in the member organisation for the time of his mandate. If he or she refuses to retire the Network Board shall consider the status of the member organisation in the network and decide upon the member's exclusion from the network, if political independence can not be assured.

1.1.4. Religious independence

No Member shall exclude participants from their existing programmes due to their religion, or grant access to their programmes only to participants belonging to a particular religion.

Organisations whose principal aim is to evangelise/proselytise shall not be eligible for membership in the Network. The Network Management Team shall take into account the mission statement and examples of the daily work of the applying organisation for clarification.

Organisations whose only funding partner is a church or religious group or whose staff is entirely paid by such funds shall not be eligible for membership in the network.

1.1.5. Social Development through Football

“Social Development” shall here be defined according to the values of international cooperation and sustainable development stated in Article 3 of the Statutes. A participatory approach to development as opposed to mere charity activities shall be visible in the organisation’s mission statement and daily work.

Mere football development programmes are not eligible for network membership. The development aspect shall be explicit and supplemented by factual information during the application process (e.g. through the provision of pedagogical concepts, curricula, etc.)

If the development aspect does not become apparent during the application process, membership shall be denied at the time being. The applying organisation shall nevertheless be supported by the Network Management Team and Network Members through the facilitation of existing learning materials and/or personalized coaching processes, if it so wishes. After a period of time agreed upon in the application process the organisation shall be re-evaluated if interest in membership persists on both sides.

1.1.6. Sustainability of activities/programmes

Organisations that are exclusively concerned with the organisation of events and do not offer regular activities or programmes throughout the year are not eligible for network membership.

The “Development through football” programmes of the applying organisation shall be up and running at the moment of admission to the Network.

1.2. A Member evaluation and assessment strategy, with the aim to develop individual membership profiles as a basis for development and support strategies, shall be developed and implemented as well as permanently reviewed and improved by the Network Management Team. The process of evaluation of potential and existing members and the developed profiles shall be handled with all appropriate and necessary confidentiality. This process shall be detailed in specific guidelines.

1.3. General services for all members

Upon acceptance in the Network all Members shall be entitled to the following membership portfolio:

- Membership certificate
- Information material and manuals concerning the membership, as available
- bi-monthly internal e-mail newsletter
- free copy of streetfootballworld publications
- presentation platform on www.streetfootballworld.org
- possibility to propose new resources to the resource platform of www.streetfootballworld.org
- access to the Network's working platform on the FIFA Extranet, incl. the possibility to participate in regional and thematic working groups and to contribute to discussion forums
- information about upcoming Calls for Proposals by external funding bodies coordinated by streetfootballworld
- use of streetfootballworld logo for promotional and membership recognition purposes

This membership portfolio may vary according to available resources and capacities.

1.4. General duties of all Members

Upon acceptance in the Network all Members shall commit to the following duties:

- hand in report and activity plan every 6 months
- keep member information on www.streetfootballworld.org up to date
- fill out annual evaluation forms ('Call for Information')
- participate in online questionnaires and opinion polls

Apart from the obligatory duties all Members shall strive to participate in as many network activities as possible (e.g. contribute to online discussions, the resource platform, the Toolbox), participate in workshops, regional and global events or online working groups, organise bi- or multi-lateral exchanges with other Network Members) in order to contribute to the impact of the Network and strengthen their own organisational development.

1.5. All Members shall strive to spread the philosophy of the Network in their region and professional context. The Network Management Team commits to provide the Members with the necessary information material. With prior approval of the Network Management Team, any member may represent the Network at official events, e.g. congresses or seminars, speeches or presentations.

Article 2 - Meetings of the General Assembly and the Network Board

2.1. Proposals for the agenda of the General Assembly and meetings of the Network Board may be submitted in writing by members of the Network or the Network Board to the Executive Manager of the Network no later than two months prior to the respective date. Relevant proposals that are supported by detailed information on the topic shall be put on the agenda of the next General Assembly or Network Board meeting.

2.2. The final agenda shall be approved at the beginning of the General Assembly or Network Board meeting.

2.3. Each General Assembly shall deal with the following regular items on the agenda:

- approval of the agenda
- election of the scrutineers
- approval of the minutes of the previous General Assembly
- report of the Network Board
- financial report of the Executive Manager
- reports of the Regional Coordinators and the Working Groups
- discussion and decisions on the working programme of the Network
- elections.

2.4. Each Network Board meeting shall deal with the following regular items on the agenda:

- approval of the agenda
- approval of the minutes of the previous Network Board meeting
- report of the Network Director and the Managing Director of the streetfootballworld gGmbH
- financial report of the Executive Manager
- discussion and decisions on particular working projects and allocation of funds

2.5. All members and the Network Management Team shall have the right to call upon the Network Board to resolve conflictive issues within the Network. Proposals shall be submitted to the Executive Manager or any other member of the Network Board, who will consider their relevance for the Network and put them on the agenda of the next Network Board meeting or, in urgent cases, summon the Network Board for an extraordinary session or consultation.

2.6. Minutes comprising the decisions of each General Assembly and Network Board meeting shall be prepared immediately after such meetings. A report comprising the proceedings of the meeting and the essential contents shall be completed no later than **one** month after the meeting and sent to all members of the Network. The minutes shall be under the responsibility of the Executive Manager. Up to their ratification by the following General Assembly or Network Board meeting they shall be an unofficial working document.

2.7. For General Assemblies and Network Board meetings, those organising these meetings shall provide suitable translation services into English and Spanish if necessary, and other languages as needed and feasible.

2.8. Elected members of the Network Board shall officially nominate one representative and one deputy for their term in office. Either the representative or his or her deputy must represent the Network member at Network Board meetings.

Article 3 - Elections and Votes in the General Assembly

3.1. Both elections and votes in the General Assembly are subject to the voting rights established in articles 9.3, 9.4 and 9.5 of the Statutes.

3.2. The election of the Network Board shall be carried out by secret ballot with a simple majority of votes.

3.3. All members of the Network shall have the right to nominate one or more Network member organisations as candidates and/or to declare their own candidature for the Network Board. Proposals must be submitted in writing to the Executive Manager no later than two months prior to the General Assembly.

3.4. Only Member organisations shall be eligible as Network Board Members. Elected organisations shall define a representative and a deputy to represent them at Network Board meetings within two weeks after their election.

3.5. Members organisations that hold the position of Regional Coordinator through one of their representatives shall not be eligible to the Network Board for the time the Regional Coordinator is in office. Vice versa, no representative of an organisation shall be nominated as Regional Coordinator while a representative of his organisation acts as Member of the Network Board.

3.6. The Executive Manager shall be responsible for the organisation of the elections. He or she shall provide the scrutineers with the ballot papers and a ballot-box.

3.7. To implement the elections, the General Assembly shall elect a Commission of scrutineers consisting of three persons. They shall have the duty:

- to examine the legitimacy of the proxies and the postal votes
- to state the quorum of the General Assembly;
- to count the votes after each ballot and communicate the results to the Executive Manager and to the General Assembly.

3.8. Ballots are decided by simple majority of votes according to article 9.5 of the Statutes. Every member of the Network has one vote.

Article 4 - Votes in the Network Board

4.1. Ballots in the Network Board are decided on the basis of one person - one vote and by simple majority. Such ballots may be open or secret.

4.2. As established in article 10.2 the Managing Director of streetfootballworld gGmbH has the right for veto in ballots that deal with questions of liability, legal matters or other issues affecting the management of streetfootballworld gGmbH. If the Managing Director chooses

to use his/her right for veto, then his/her vote on a particular issue shall prevail, regardless of possibly opposing majority decisions.

Article 5 - Financial Regulations

5.1. General Regulations

5.1.1. The fiscal period of the Network shall consist of one calendar year starting in January of each year.

5.1.2. The currency of the Network shall be Euro (EUR).

5.1.3. The Network's account shall be kept in the country of the Seat of the Network.

5.2. Financial Resources of the Network

The Executive Manager, the Network Director and the Managing Director of streetfootballworld gGmbH, supported by the Regional Coordinators, shall endeavour to enhance the financial resources of the Network by subventions, grants or sponsorship agreements from persons, organisations or bodies mentioned in article 13 of the Statutes, for example:

- as direct financial subventions to be transferred to the Network's account;
- as funds which are spent by member organisations or Regional Coordinators to organise meetings, congresses and publications of the Network;
- as funds which are spent by member organisations or Regional Coordinators to cover travel and accommodation expenses of members of the Network;
- as funds derived from the performance of services on behalf of the Network or of a Network Member. As a rule, streetfootballworld gGmbH shall endeavour to recover the costs incurred for its services:
 - a) either directly from the funding body (preferred option), or
 - b) through a mutually agreed share from the contract successfully negotiated by streetfootballworld gGmbH.streetfootballworld's policy in this area shall be detailed in an Annex to the Statutes and By-Laws.
- as income derived from other activities that are in keeping with the mission of the Network and the applicable legal regulations for its activities

5.3. Financial Planning

5.3.1. For each fiscal period the Executive Manager shall prepare the budget including estimates of the Network's income and expenditure in cooperation with the Managing Director. The budget shall be approved by the Network Board.

5.3.2. The adoption of the annual budget by the Network Board shall give the Executive Manager the authority to settle during the fiscal period expenses to which the budget refers.

5.3.3. The funds allocated to the activities of the Network by streetfootballworld gGmbH shall be employed to:

- support development of Network Member organisations;
- support selected milestone events if closely linked to the local or regional development, with the expected return of an impulse for the respective programme;
- support special projects, such as regional networks, etc;
- finance research projects, incl. monitoring & evaluation;
- the travel expenses and, if necessary, a daily living allowance of the Network Board Members, the Network Management Team, and other representatives when fulfilling their duties; and only if these expenses cannot be borne by the aforementioned officers;
- official publications of the Network including necessary translations;

5.3.4. The Regional Coordinators or member organisations entitled to financial support shall submit to the Executive Manager their budget plans for the next year no later than three months before the General Assembly or Network Board meeting. They shall submit accounts to the Executive Manager every twelve months, using original vouchers.

5.3.5. Beyond the annual budget adopted by the Network Board, the Executive Manager in agreement with the Network Director, and within the limits of the existing funds, shall have the right to settle expenses for the activities of the Network.

5.4. Financial Control and Balancing of the Account

5.4.1. The Executive Manager shall prepare a balance sheet of the actual expenses linked to the Network's activities within the fiscal year (1 January - 31 December) and shall send the statement of account of the Network's income and expenditure according to the items of the budget to all Network members.

5.4.2. In the preparation of the financial report to be submitted by the Executive Manager to the Network Board, the Executive Manager shall externally audit the financial operations of the Network.

5.4.3. At Network Board meetings the Executive Manager, in agreement with the Network Director, shall submit a report on activities and results.

5.4.4. In addition to reporting to the Network Board and Members, streetfootballworld gGmbH shall publish an annual financial report.

Article 6 - Organisation of Events

6.1. The Network shall endeavour to organise football tournaments, youth exchanges, network meetings, congresses, symposia, seminars or other events compatible with the objectives of the Network (designated as "events" in the following).

6.2. The organisation of major events by members of the Network shall be supported whenever feasible and specific measures of support shall be determined. This support shall especially include contacts to potential funding bodies, assessment during the preparation and implementation phase, as well as the permission to use the Network's logo and communication channels. All members shall have the right to apply for this kind of support and have to submit their application in writing not less than 6 months before the date fixed for the event to the Executive Manager.

6.3. To underline the fair play character of all Network members, football matches at events officially endorsed or organised by the streetfootballworld Network shall be played with a focus on promoting dialogue between the players and rewarding fair play. Key element of this methodology shall be the "Extra Time". The detailed rules of this Extra Time shall be defined by a working group until 2008 and then put into practice. Core of the Extra Time shall be a dialogue between all players and the granting of Fair Play Points to the teams that have complied with certain Fair Play Rules agreed upon before the match.