

Statutes

(as of July 25, 2022)

Association of The Friends of The Khan el-Masriyyin (Tripoli, Lebanon)

§ 1 Name and headquarters

The "Association of The Friends of The Khan el-Masriyyin" (hereinafter "the Association") is an association constituted under private law according to articles 60 and following of Swiss Civil Code. It is politically and denominationally neutral and headquartered in Zurich, Switzerland.

§ 2 Purpose

The association supports the renovation and rehabilitation of the so-called "Egyptians" caravanserai in the ancient city of Tripoli, Lebanon.

The Association intends to achieve this purpose by:

- Raising funds from interested organizations, foundations and sponsors in Switzerland, Europe, Lebanon and internationally.
- Cooperation with the ethno-expo sàrl, initiator of the project, within the framework and on the basis of preparatory works and studies carried out by said ethno-expo (<https://khan-el-masriyyin.com>, in four languages).
- Inclusion of Syrian refugees in the workforce in order to prepare them for similar renovation projects in Syria.

§ 3 Non-profit status, tax exemption

The Association does not pursue any commercial purposes and does not aspire to generate profit. It pursues the altruistic and public utility purpose of safeguarding the architectural heritage of the Mamluk era (14th century) as a testimony to Muslim building culture. The Association has filed an application for recognition of public utility and tax exemption with the Canton of Zurich.

§ 4 Membership

Individuals or legal persons who support the purpose and activities of the Association are eligible as members of the Association. The Committee appoints members following an oral or written application for membership and examination of said application. Membership may be refused without giving reasons. Membership comes into effect by the payment of the annual membership fee and expires if the membership fee is not transferred within three months following a payment reminder or by a declaration of resignation. The Committee may decide to exclude members if they act against the purpose of the Association.

§ 5 Liability

The Association is solely liable for its debts, which are guaranteed by its financial assets. Personal liability of the members is excluded. The part of the resources allocated for specific purposes coming from foundations

or requests is only liable to the extent that their intended purpose allows this. In case of events and trips, insurance is the responsibility of the participants.

§ 6 Bodies

The **General Assembly** takes place as a face-to-face event or virtually in the first half of the year. The accounting year coincides with the calendar year. The Chairman of the Committee convenes the General Assembly at least 30 days in advance; the agenda is attached to the invitation. The General Assembly elects the 3 members of the **Committee**. The Committee manages all affairs of the Association; it may delegate certain tasks and missions to third parties. Its work is honorary; costs are reimbursed. All communication is done entirely by e-mail.

The General Assembly elects an auditor or an auditing legal entity. The auditor examines the annual accounts and reports to the Committee for presentation to the General Assembly.

The statutes can be modified or amended by a three-quarters majority at a General Assembly attended by at least half of the members. In case of a General Assembly convened for a modification of the statutes could not validly deliberate, a second Assembly convened within one month decides by a majority of the members present.

§ 7 Dissolution of the Association

The dissolution can only be decided by decision of a General Assembly. The dissolution is pronounced if three quarters of the members request it, either by personal vote during the Assembly, or by written declaration. In this case the assets will be donated to a non-profit institution pursuing a public interest goal similar to that of the Association and benefiting from tax exemption. A distribution among the members is excluded.

The German version of these statutes is original and legally valid.

The above statutes were adopted at the Founding Assembly held on July 25, 2022, in Zurich.

The membership fee per calendar year was then fixed at 10USD for members living in Lebanon and at 30CHF members domiciled outside Lebanon.

Were elected members of the Committee (with right of signature):

President Frank Beat Keller, M.A. (Zurich)

Vice President Lillybelle Eisele, B.A. (WageningenNL)

Regine Rossmann, Dr. medical (Berlin)