

Statutes of Left International Forum

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1. ABOUT LEFT INTERNATIONAL FORUM

- 1.1 The official name of the organisation is Left International Forum.
- 1.2 Left International Forum is a non-profit organisation.
- 1.3 The organisation is based in Stockholm, Sweden.
- 1.4 The operational year of Left International Forum follows the calendar year.

2. VISION

- 2.1 The vision of Left International Forum is a democratic, equal, and just world with respect for human freedoms and rights.

3. IDEOLOGICAL FOUNDATION

- 3.1 Left International Forum is an organisation affiliated with the Left Party and shares its ideological principles.
- 3.2 Left International Forum is based on the principle that the cornerstone of democracy is free elections in which people choose representatives to serve in decision-making bodies at various levels of society.
- 3.3 Left International Forum believes that political parties and a functioning multi-party system are prerequisites for a representative democracy and for maintaining contact between people, political institutions, and elected representatives.
- 3.4 By supporting political parties and other civil society organisations based on popular participation, with a special focus on marginalised women and youth, Left International Forum creates opportunities for people with limited access.



4. PURPOSE

4.1 Left International Forum works to highlight global injustices and influence structures that create an unequal distribution of resources, power, and rights worldwide.

4.2 Left International Forum works in solidarity and partnership with organisations that share its ideology and values.

4.3 The work of Left International Forum is rights-based and aims to strengthen representative democracy and civil society, ensuring its ability to function independently.

4.4 Left International Forum's activities are based on these statutes and are formulated in strategic and operational plans.

5. MEMBERSHIP

5.1 Members of Left International Forum are the members of the Left Party's Executive Board and those designated as members by the Left Party's Executive Board.

6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

6.1 The organisation's highest decision-making body is the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

6.2 The ordinary AGM shall be held no later than October each year.

6.3 The board shall issue the notice for the AGM at least two months before the meeting. The notice must include the time and place of the meeting, the agenda, and the deadline for submitting motions.

6.4 An extraordinary AGM may be convened if requested by the Board or at least half of the membership.

6.5 The Board shall issue notice for an extraordinary AGM at least one month in



advance, including the time, place, and agenda. Only the matters for which the meeting was convened may be addressed.

6.6. Delegates

6.6.1 All ordinary members of the Left Party's Executive Board have voting rights. All Executive Board Members have the right to attend and speak. AGM officials have the right to attend.

6.7. Decision-Making Procedures

6.7.1 AGM decisions are made by a simple majority. Amendments to the statutes and dissolution of the organisation require a two-thirds (2/3) majority.

6.7.2 Issues raised during the AGM may be postponed if at least one-fourth (1/4) of the attendees so request.

6.8. Motions

6.8.1 All members have the right to submit motions to the AGM.

6.8.2 Motions must be submitted at least three weeks before the AGM.

6.8.3 Motions received for the AGM, along with the Board's opinions on them and the Board's proposals, shall be sent to members no later than one week before the AGM.

6.9. Ordinary Business at the AGM

6.9.1 The AGM shall address the following agenda items:

1. Opening of the meeting by the Chairperson of the Board
2. Review of the AGM procedures
3. Call and establishment of the voting register
4. Adoption of the statutory convening of the AGM
5. Election of meeting officials:



- Chairperson
 - Secretary
 - Vote counters and adjusters
6. Adoption of the agenda
 7. Presentation of the nomination committee's proposals for chairperson of the board, board members, and auditor
 8. Decision on nomination deadline for chairperson of the board, board members, and auditor
 9. Report from the chairperson and/or secretary general
 10. Approval of the annual financial statement
 11. Report from the auditors elected at the Left Party Congress
 12. Report from the authorised auditor
 13. Decision on the discharge of the Board from liability
 14. Presentation of upcoming year's activities and budget
 15. Presentation of board proposals, including membership fees
 16. Presentation of motions
 17. Decision on proposals, including membership fees
 18. Decision on motions
 19. New nominations
 20. Election of chairperson and decision on remuneration (applicable in years when the Left Party holds a congress or in extraordinary meetings)



21. Election of the Board (applicable in years when the Left Party holds a congress or in extraordinary meetings)
22. Election of authorised auditor
23. Other matters
24. Closing of the meeting

7. NOMINATION COMMITTEE

7.1 The Left Party's Executive Board's nomination committee prepares nominations for the chairperson, board members, and auditor.

7.2 The nomination committee's proposal for the chairperson, board members, and auditor shall be sent to members one week before the AGM.

7.3 The nomination committee shall present its proposals for chairperson, board members and auditor at the AGM (applicable in years when the Left Party holds a congress or in extraordinary meetings).

7.4 The proposal for the chairperson shall also include a proposal for remuneration.

8. BOARD

8.1 The Executive Board of Left International Forum is elected by the AGM for a two-year term, aligned with the Left Party's congress cycles. The Board consists of:

- Chairperson
- At least six ordinary members
- At least two alternates

8.2 At least one ordinary board member must also be a Left Party's Executive Board member.

8.3 Alternates serve in the order they are elected.



8.4 The Board constitutes itself and appoints an executive committee and other working groups as needed.

8.5 The Board meets according to an established schedule or when the executive committee or at least four members request.

8.6 The board functions until the AGM, which follows a congress, elects a new board.

8.7 Decisions require the participation of at least half of the Board members. Decisions are decided by a simple majority. In case of a tie, the chairperson has the casting vote.

8.8 Board members must be members of the Left Party.

9. THE LEFT PARTY'S CONGRESS-ELECTED AUDITORS

9.1 Left International Forum is audited by the congress-elected auditors of the Left Party.

9.2 The Left Party's congress-elected auditors are responsible for reviewing the Left International Forum's accounts and administration.

9.3 The congress-elected auditors of the Left Party shall submit their audit report to the annual meeting.

10. AUTHORISED AUDITOR

10.1 The annual meeting appoints an auditing firm based on a proposal from the nomination committee.

10.2 The audit shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable audit legislation at the time, including a review of the administration.

10.3 The authorised auditor shall submit their audit report to the annual meeting.



11. OFFICE

11.1 The Board is assisted by an office that prepares matters and implements decisions.

11.2 The office is led by a Secretary General appointed by the Board.

12. SIGNATORY AUTHORITY

12.1 Left International Forum's signatory authority or authorities are determined by the Board and documented in a certified procedure.

13. AMENDMENTS TO STATUTES

13.1 Amendments require a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote at the AGM.

13.2 The Left International Forum's activities shall be conducted per these statutes, and the board has the authority to interpret them between annual meetings. In cases of differing opinions regarding the interpretation of the statutes, or if situations arise that are not anticipated in the statutes, the matter may be submitted to the next annual meeting for review. The board's interpretation shall prevail until such a review has taken place.

14. DISSOLUTION

14.1 The AGM decides the dissolution of Left International Forum at two consecutive AGMs held at least six months apart, one of which must be an ordinary AGM. Dissolution requires a decision passed with a 2/3 majority at both AGMs.

14.2 Other matters related to the dissolution process shall be decided and executed by the board.