

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION UNDER THE FRENCH LAW OF 1 JULY 1901

CITIZEN CONFERENCE OF PARTIES



ARTICLE 1 - NAME

An association governed by the French Law of 1 July 1901 and the Decree of 16 August 1901 is hereby formed by the members adhering to these Articles of Association, under the name: Citizen Conference Of Parties (C.C.O.P.).

ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE

The purpose of the Citizen Conference Of Parties is to contribute to the re-foundation and to the benevolent, creative and conscientious co-construction of the sustainability, prosperity and happiness of humankind, in recognition of and respect for the dignity of living beings.

ARTICLE 3 - CONTEXT AND APPROACH

Aware that the state of the world is deteriorating rapidly and that systemic inertia is strong, but also aware of humanity's immense untapped cooperative potential, the CCOP operates in an international context that is in crisis, but also carries hope.

Thus, the primary vocation of the Citizen Conference Of Parties is to foster the implementation, together with an upgrading of principles, of United Nations Resolution 70.1 of 25 September 2015 and its 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, comprising the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (S.D.G.s), broken down into 169 targets:

1. Eradication of poverty;
2. Fight against hunger;
3. Access to health;
4. Access to quality education;
5. Gender equality;
6. Access to safe water and sanitation;
7. Use of renewable energy;
8. Access to decent jobs;
9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote sustainable industrialisation that benefits everyone, and foster innovation;
10. Reduction of inequalities;
11. Sustainable cities and communities;
12. Responsible consumption and production;
13. Fight against climate change;
14. Life below water;
15. Life on land;
16. Justice and peace;

17. Partnerships for the achievement of the goals.

Honouring this global commitment requires the joint steering of local, intranational, supranational, transnational and planetary cooperation, through multiple effective levels of biotic, economic, political and technical coordination and synchronisation among all concerned parties.

The CCOP approach is based on a new range of means made possible by the convergence of advances in understanding how living systems function, advances in the science of complex action (cybernetics), advances in learning organisations, and the integration of all these advances into architectures supporting the structuring of multidimensional projects, enhanced through new means capable of better managing risk and the effective realisation of law, as a complement to current functional systems.

ARTICLE 4 - PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES

Born of life's call to itself, the Citizen Conference of Parties invites everyone on a regenerative win-win-win journey, for oneself, for society and for the planet.

The CCOP co-develops stable forms of open cooperation, fostering mutual understanding, integrity, and individual and collective sovereignty, while simultaneously applying constitution-building, learning and multilevel approaches.

These principles are regularly recalled and integrated, and guide action through constant adjustment:

- **Constitution-building approach:** In order to guarantee the protection of living beings and to safeguard the sovereignty and autonomy of humankind through the establishment of balanced powers and counter-powers, the CCOP establishes a dynamic framework in which each individual has an interest in seeking and co-constructing harmony while respecting diversity, coherence and equity. This guarantees reciprocal recognition, followed by inclusion in operational actions and participation in the transnational constitution-making process.

In order to generate principles common to humankind in an equitable manner, as well as the effective realisation of rights, the CCOP gives itself both the means and the duty to be transparent and accessible; to organise in-depth workshops using simulations and networked games; and to derive generative value from disagreements by testing proposals so as not to replicate the errors of our shared past and present. Thus, together, we open up the creation and management of integrated means within Commons-based logics.

- **Learning approach:** In order to guarantee dynamic practices, processes and tools enabling rapid adaptation, mitigation of uncertainties, and the tested co-construction of a value system based on the collectively determined common good, the CCOP defines its learning approach as the junction between:
 - psycho-affective experiential situations that facilitate learning;
 - the steering of dynamic and co-existing versions of models, tools and methods that enable action;
 - recognition and valuation loops that ensure equity with the existing system;
 - scenario modelling with or without authorisation;
 - a collective break with disintegrative systems of thought, in favour of openness and the promotion of multicultural fundamental and applied research, based on collectively determined experimental protocols.
- **Multilevel approach:** In order to guarantee adaptability, efficiency and evolution, Nature, in its unity and diversity, operates through invariants of construction/deconstruction that emerge as complexity and speed increase (fundamental principles that are preserved despite transformations). These invariants can be found both in physical analysis (a materialist view) and in metaphysical approaches (a spiritualist view). These two perspectives converge both in modelling and in organising the rise in awareness of the whole.

These universal and timeless common principles form the basis of the collective design of CCOP processes.

By respecting these principles, the Citizen Conference Of Parties therefore sets itself the following fundamental objectives:

- Providing information, listening and support for the autonomous development of any individual or organisation putting forward proposals with a view to structuring projects within a mesh of transdisciplinary networks organised by themes and territories.
- Identifying, examining, experimenting with, evaluating and enhancing all solutions, whether existing or under development, classified by Sustainable Development Goals and their targets.
- The collaborative and learning-based development of action and investment plans, from local to planetary and from planetary to local, with the necessary scaling and modelling.
- Multisector negotiation and consultation (Public, Private, Commons) to ratify strategic, technical and operational agreements.
- Multilevel and decentralised democratic steering of the monitoring of operations, seeking to be clear-sighted, managing long-term loops, informed by networked dashboards that provide real-time opportunities for synergies that reduce waste and increase quality of life on the basis of factual and felt parameters, together with a dynamic assessment of progress towards completion of the Sustainable Development Goals.
- The maturation of humanity towards autonomy in inter-dependence, in order to strengthen the Commons and ensure self-regulation, prosperity, sustainability and happiness throughout the permanent democratic learning process.

ARTICLE 5 - STRUCTURE OF THE ASSOCIATION

The association adopts a structure designed to evolve and reproduce itself by integrating territorial scales and all fields of activity, defined as follows:

1. A Democratic Organisations Office (Bureau des Organisations Démocratiques - BOD), which coordinates:
 - The assembly of the Commons, through a process of awareness-raising and inclusion, via the media and meetings;
 - The resources of the Commons, through a process of mobilisation, valuation and management;
 - The law of the Commons, through an ongoing online constitution-making process that converts proposals into decisions validated by the General Assembly, the plenary, deliberative and sovereign body.
2. An Autonomy Office (Bureau Autonomie - BA), which coordinates:
 - The harmonisation of the Commons through audits, specifications and non-financial performance statements;
 - Commons communities through self-learning, guides, training and networks;
 - The safeguarding of the Commons through shared internal and external assessments, demonstrating through robust information that the spirit of cooperation enables the effective and measurable achievement of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.
3. A Solutions Office (Bureau des Solutions - BS), which coordinates:
 - The research, identification and classification of solutions;
 - The experimentation of solutions (protocols and reports);
 - The evaluation of solutions (impact studies, budgeting, modelling, foresight, reports, scale effects, etc.);
 - The formulation of proposed solutions;
 - The conceptualisation of new solutions (in response to a challenge: initiate consultation and research, then return the result to the identification process).
4. A Progress Office (Bureau du Progrès - BP), which coordinates:
 - Technical assistance to the Offices and networks, in particular for managing learning approaches that require new means beyond those currently available on the market.

- The research, implementation and management of technical means and means of cooperation and multidisciplinary integration, in continuous evolution.
- The consolidation of information and processes, in particular by taking account of different languages, different cognitive levels and different cultures.
- The protection of information, in particular information concerning the Commons, intentional markets and valuations.
- The anticipation of multilevel internal and external risks.
- The co-management of certifications, labels and pricing (standards, norms and the structuring of prices and values).

ARTICLE 6 - REGISTERED OFFICE

The registered office is located at Le Jardin du Roc..K, lieu-dit Roc Brien, 56800 Ploërmel, France.

ARTICLE 7 - DURATION

The association is established for an unlimited duration, but it may be dissolved in accordance with procedures that may be defined in the internal rules.

ARTICLE 8 - MEMBERSHIP COMPOSITION

The members of the association comprise:

- a) Individual Members (natural persons), who alone have decision-making power
- b) Collective Members (all organisations), without voting rights

ARTICLE 9 - RIGHTS OF NATURAL PERSONS

Any member of humankind, any individual who is open to the principle of reciprocity, may be a member as of right and may thus be supported in their process of inclusion, contribution, dissemination and enhancement of their contributions and experiments.

ARTICLE 10 - RIGHTS OF LEGAL PERSONS

Any association, collective, company or other legal person may be a member as of right of the C.C.O.P., but without voting rights. It may be supported in its process of inclusion, contribution, dissemination and enhancement of its contributions and experiments.

ARTICLE 11 - TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership is lost through:

- a) Voluntary withdrawal as a member;
- b) Death;
- c) Removal for serious grounds, after the person concerned has been invited by post or electronically (email or text message) to provide explanations to the members of the association.

Serious grounds and the removal procedure may be specified in internal rules.

ARTICLE 12 - AFFILIATION

The association may join other federations or collectives by decision of the General Assembly of members.

ARTICLE 13 - RESOURCES

The association's resources comprise:

- 1. The amount of voluntary contributions,
- 2. Grants from international and supranational bodies, the State, Regions, Departments and Municipalities,

3. All resources authorised by the laws and regulations in force and validated by the permanent General Assembly.
4. Any legacy or donation,
5. Loans.

ARTICLE 14 - ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

During the first quarter of each calendar year, the Annual General Assembly is convened to present and approve the activity and financial reports for the previous calendar year, to renew the members of the Offices, and to conduct the annual votes.

The Treasurer reports on financial management and submits the annual accounts (balance sheet, income statement and appendices) to the Assembly for approval.

The Annual General Assembly reviews its indicators, their weightings and their criteria.

This Annual General Assembly must be accessible via the internet or, where a connection is unavailable, recorded so that it can be seen/heard by its members, with traceability of the decisions adopted.

ARTICLE 15 - PERMANENT DEMOCRATIC LEARNING PROCESS

The association applies democracy in its operation.

This is implemented through a permanent democratic learning process based on the C.A.R.L. principle (Constituant, Abrogatif, Révocatoire, Législatif - Constitution-making, Repeal, Recall, Legislative), combined with network-design principles and those set out in Article 3.

Deliberations and decisions are adopted primarily via the internet, except in exceptional circumstances that may be defined in the internal rules.

The permanent democratic learning process comprises all members of the association, whatever their capacity, whether physically present or participating via the internet, with voting rights.

ARTICLE 16 - DEMOCRATIC ORGANISATIONS OFFICE (BUREAU DES ORGANISATIONS DÉMOCRATIQUES - BOD)

The Democratic Organisations Office (BOD) is responsible for ensuring the performance of the administrative, legal, regulatory, technical and financial obligations and functions required for the operation of the association.

The BOD is initially composed of founding members who are signatories to the founding minutes.

It comprises at least:

- The President of the association,
- A Treasurer of the association.

During the association's first year, new members may join the BOD by vote within the permanent democratic learning process.

After the first year, the BOD is appointed by vote of the Annual General Assembly.

The term of office of the BOD leads is one year. The term is renewable, for the same role or another role. It may also be revoked by decision of the permanent democratic learning process.

The BOD may mandate or propose the creation of structures to carry out its own missions, within the framework of procedures that may be defined in the internal rules.

ARTICLE 17 - AUTONOMY OFFICE (BUREAU AUTONOMIE - BA)

During the association's first year, new members may join the Autonomy Office (BA) by vote of the permanent democratic learning process.

The term of office of the BA leads is one year.

The BA may mandate or propose the creation of structures to carry out its own missions, within the framework of procedures that may be defined in the internal rules.

ARTICLE 18 - SOLUTIONS OFFICE (BUREAU DES SOLUTIONS - BS)

During the association's first year, new members may join the Solutions Office (BS) by vote of the permanent democratic learning process.

The term of office of the BS leads is one year.

The BS may mandate or propose the creation of structures to carry out its own missions, within the framework of procedures that may be defined in the internal rules.

ARTICLE 19 - PROGRESS OFFICE (BUREAU DU PROGRÈS - BP)

During the association's first year, new members may join the Progress Office (BP) by vote of the permanent democratic learning process.

The term of office of the BP leads is one year.

The BP may mandate or propose the creation of structures to carry out its own missions, within the framework of procedures that may be defined in the internal rules.

ARTICLE 20 - AMENDMENT OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

The Articles of Association may be amended through the permanent democratic learning process, on the proposal of any member, in accordance with a procedure that may be defined in the internal rules.

ARTICLE 21 - DISSOLUTION

If the purpose of the association is considered to have been achieved or to have become unattainable, an Extraordinary General Assembly may be convened at the initiative of the Democratic Organisations Office, in accordance with procedures that may be defined in the internal rules, in order to decide on dissolution. If dissolution is decided, one or more liquidators are appointed and the assets, where applicable, are transferred in accordance with the decisions of the Extraordinary General Assembly.

These Articles of Association were adopted by the Founding General Assembly, in Ploërmel and online, on 27 July 2022.