



STATUTES

1. Name and Headquarters

The Association is called „Gemeinschaft der Europäischen Transsibirien Operateure und Spediteure".
The Association is based in Basel.

2. Purpose

The purpose of the Association is:

- a) Promotion of transport to and from CIS, as well as transit through CIS
- b) Market research and performance of public relations for transport to and from CIS, as well as transit through CIS
- c) Maintaining good relations to Far East organizations with similar goals, and to General Operators in CIS
- d) Any activities, which serve the promotion of this spectrum of transport for the members of the Association

The aim of the Association is to protect the interests of its members, not to gain profit.

3. Membership

Only a company/enterprise/federation/association, which has its headquarters in Western Europe and is interested in transportation to and from CIS, and transit via CIS, can become a regular member.

To become an associated member, a transport company must have a branch, subsidiary or agent with headquarters in Western Europe and must be active for a transport company, which in turn has direct contractual links to General Operators in CIS in this mode of transport. Associated members do not have the right to vote at general assemblies, they can merely participate in an advisory capacity.

The General Assembly decides whether or not to accept new membership applications, and does so in accordance with Art. 5. Membership is obtained through written confirmation from the Board.

4. Institutions

The General Meeting and Board are institutions of the Association.

5. General Meeting

Each member is entitled to participate.



The Chairman convenes a General Meeting at least once a year. He is obliged to convene an additional meeting if at least one fifth of all full members and associated members request such an extra-ordinary general meeting in writing.

The Board convenes all general assemblies in writing with a notice period of one week and specifying the items on the agenda.

Minutes must be taken of the General Assembly.

All members can vote. Each member has one vote. In general, an absolute majority vote of all members present is required.

In the following instances, a two-thirds majority of all full members present is required:

- a) Inclusion or exclusion of a full and/or associated member
- b) Election of the Executive Board
- c) Discharge of the Executive Board

In the following instances, a two-thirds majority of all full members belonging to the Association is required:

- d) Change of Statutes
- e) Dissolving the Association / Liquidation

Votes according to a) – e) can also be cast in writing, if the Board so decides, whereby a two-thirds majority of all full members belonging to the Association is required.

6. Executive Board

The Board consists of a Chairman and at least two other Board members, who are elected by the full members during a General Assembly.

The Board members are elected for a period of two years. They may be re-elected.

The Board is responsible for managing all daily business, which – in accordance with these Statutes and by law – is not explicitly reserved for the General Assembly.

The Board can appoint working groups, if necessary.



7. Costs

The costs of the association are covered by a membership fee due at the beginning of each calendar year. The fee is determined every year by the general assembly.

The membership fee is not to exceed CHF 2,000 for regular members or CHF 1,000 for associated members respectively.

The association is liable for obligations only with its capital; any liability of members is excluded.

8. Resignation and Exclusion

Membership ends upon cancellation or exclusion, whereby in any event the full membership fee is due for the running year.

Resignation is possible at any given time and must be submitted to the Board in writing and by registered mail, giving an explanation, and subject to a notice period of three months to the end of the month.

Each full member may submit a request for exclusion of any other member, if it contravenes the interests of the Association.

Such exclusion shall be communicated to the member by the Board after a decision by the General Meeting.

9. Liquidation

The General Assembly decides on the liquidation of the Association in accordance with Art. 5.

The General Assembly shall also decide over the method of liquidation and the realisation of the remaining assets.

The Board shall be the liquidator.

The revision of the Statues was accepted at the General Assembly of 12.06.2015.

The President

The Secretary