

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION – BELGIUM BEARPRIDE vzw (ASBL)

TITLE 1

Name, registered office, duration

Name

The association is named BELGIUM BEARPRIDE.

Registered office

The registered office of the association is established in the Brussels-Capital Region, at rue du Marché au Charbon 42, 1000 Brussels, in the premises of the Maison Arc-en-Ciel.

Any change of the registered office falls within the exclusive competence of the Board of Directors.

The association is established for an unlimited duration.

TITLE 2

Non-profit purpose

Objects and activities of the association

The association pursues the following non-profit purposes:

- the promotion of Bear culture, the gay community and, more broadly, the entire LGBTQIA+ community;
- the organisation of events bringing together the gay community, and in particular the Bear community;
- the organisation of the selection and election of Mister Bear Belgium;
- the representation of the Bear community before local, national and international institutions.

These purposes are achieved, in particular, through the following activities:

- organisation of local, national and international events;
- management of website(s) and presence on social media;
- drafting, printing and distribution of documents;
- fundraising to finance the operations of the association or to support the causes it defends.

The association may carry out any act directly or indirectly related to its purpose.

TITLE 3

Members

The association is composed of full members and supporting members.

The minimum number of full members is ten and the maximum number is twenty-five.

The number of supporting members is unlimited.

Full members

The status of full member is subject to payment of the annual membership fee.

Supporting members

Supporting members are invited to the General Assembly without voting rights.

TITLE 4

General Assembly

Composition

The General Assembly is composed of all full members and is chaired by the President of the Board of Directors or, in their absence, by their substitute.

Powers

The General Assembly holds all powers expressly granted to it by law or by these Articles of Association.

TITLE 5

Board of Directors

The association is administered by a Board of Directors, which has the broadest powers for the management and representation of the association, except for those powers reserved by law or by the Articles of Association to the General Assembly.

TITLE 6

Internal regulations

The Board of Directors may draw up internal regulations.

There are currently no internal regulations.

TITLE 7

Miscellaneous provisions

The financial year begins on 1 January and ends on 31 December.

In the event of dissolution, the net assets shall be allocated to a non-profit association pursuing a similar disinterested purpose, in accordance with Belgian law.

Drawn up in Brussels, on 3 March 2025.