



## **Articles of Association of the FIT Regional Centre Europe**

Adopted at the General Meeting in Strasbourg, June 24th, 1995.  
Last amended at the general meeting in Kolding, October 5th, 1996.

- 1** FIT's Regional Centre for Europe, RCE, is an integral part of FIT.

The RCE was established by FIT Council decision in Vienna, in April 1994.

RCE shall operate within the framework provided by FIT's Bylaws and "Guiding principles for the establishment and work of regional centres within FIT".

- 2** The geographical coverage of RCE is Europe.

- 3** The General meeting shall be the supreme governing body of the RCE.

A minimum of one General Meeting shall be held in Europe in the interval between two ordinary FIT Congresses. The General Meeting shall be convened by the Steering Committee at a minimum of six months' notice by letter to the members accompanied by an agenda.

As a minimum the agenda for the General Meeting shall contain the following items:

- The Committee's report on the period under review
- Approval of the accounts
- Discussion of proposals received
- Decision on future activities
- Finances
- Election of the Steering Committee
- Election of auditor and alternate auditor

Any proposals to be dealt with are to be submitted to the Committee no later than 4 months before the Congress and to the members no later than 3 months before the Congress.

- 4** An Extraordinary General Meeting may be convened by the Committee and shall be convened by the Committee when so demanded by 1/3 of the members. Such convening notice shall specify the items which such members request should be dealt with at the Extraordinary General Meeting. An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be convened subject to the same notices and procedures as those applicable to ordinary general meetings.

**5** Each member organisation shall have one vote. Resolutions shall be adopted by simple majority.

**6** The General Meeting shall elect a Steering Committee to be the governing body of RCE in the interval between the general meetings.

The Steering Committee shall consist of a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 7 members. The appointment of the Steering Committee shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of FIT.

The Steering Committee shall meet at least once a year. The Steering Committee shall elect its own Chairman and Treasurer, and shall likewise lay down its own procedures.

**7** Expenses incurred shall be covered by the annual dues payable by members and observers. In addition, the RCE may apply for external support.

The financial year shall be the calendar year.

At the ordinary general meetings, the accounts for the period since the last general meeting shall be presented.

**8** A resolution to amend the articles of association or to dissolve the RCE can only be adopted at general meetings at which these subjects are included in the agenda.