

### Internal Network Rules for the Bulgarian Network of the Anna Lindh Foundation

The Internal Rules settle the main rules and activities of the Bulgarian National Network of the Anna Lindh Foundation referred to hereinafter as *National Network* or *the Network*, the rights and the obligations of its members and the HoN, as in any case of interrelation/ intervenience between the members.

### Article I. ABBREVIATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

**I.1.** The Network referred to hereinafter as National Network.

**I.2.** The Institution in charge of hosting the coordination of the National Network is referred to hereinafter as Head of Network or HoN.

**I.3.** The individual in charge of coordinating the Network is referred to hereinafter as National Coordinator or NC.

I.4. The Anna Lindh Foundation is referred to hereinafter as the Foundation or ALF.

# Article II. NATIONAL NETWORK MISSION AND VISION

**II.1**. The Network is independent and autonomous structure open for membership on behalf of all organizations, institutions and non-formal groups that consolidates their efforts to achieve the following objectives:

- Supporting the recognition of Anna Lingh Foundation's values through promoting and implementing its objectives and activities
- Establishing and developing an effective National Network of organizations, institutions and non-formal groups Bulgarian National Network
- Building sustainable partnerships in Bulgaria and in the Euro-Mediterranean region

**II.2**. The members of the Network are equal in rights, independent organizations, groups and institutions, united by the idea of achieving the objectives mentioned in the Article II.1.

**II.3.** Each member of the National Network shall implement activities independently as an organization/institution/non-formal group to pursue the common objectives but with the clear awareness that they shall impact all members.

**II.4.** The Bulgarian National Network is established for an indefinite period of time.

**II.5.** The regulations of the Bulgarian legislation shall apply to the activity of the National Network

**II.6**. The National network promotes the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership at the national and international level;



**II.7.** The National network will contribute to the development of the Foundation's priorities and programmes, sharing the visions among other National Networks and with the ALF Headquarters;

**II.8.** The Network promotes common activities at the national level among Network members, in line with the objectives of the Foundation.

**II.9.** The Network use for its activities the Anna Lindh Foundation label and National Network logo;

**II.10.** The Network members are entitled to receive regularly from the Head of Network over the Call for Proposals and other calls;

#### Article III. Name and Headquarters

The Network Institution Association "International Initiatives for Cooperation" (IIC), is appointed by the Government for serving one/two year/mandate

**III.1.** The name of the structure is "НАЦИОНАЛНА МРЕЖА АННА ЛИНД БЪЛГАРИЯ, as in English it is translated as NATIONAL NETWORK ANNA LINDH BULGARIA.

The headquarter of the Network is the headquarter of the Head of the Bulgarian Network.

The address of the Management is the address of the Head of Network: 1 Ekzarh Yosif Street, Razlog, 2760, Bulgaria

III.2. Manages operation of the National Network;

**III.2.1.** Acts as national representative of the Foundation in the country;

**III.2.2.** Promote the Foundation's image as Euro-Mediterranean institution established for strengthening the regional dimension of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership – Union for the Mediterranean in social, cultural and human affairs (the Third Chapter of the Barcelona Declaration);

**III.2.3.** Manages Network membership; Identifies potential active actors of the civil society in the country, who can join the network;

**III.2.4.** Contributes to the consultation and development of the ALF annual and triennial programmes.

In this exercise, the HoN will take into consideration the interests of its National Network; **III.2.5.** Supports and supervises training and capacity building for the National Network;

**III.2.6.** Acts as a public relations agent, producing information material for dissemination, and contributing to the ALF Website and National Network Website (if any) and Social Media;

**III.2.7.** The use of the ALF logo and the National Network logo in all printed and electronic materials related to ALF-funded or labelled activities;

**III.2.8.** Ensure the correct use of ALF logo by members of the National Network, based on the above considerations;

**III.2.9.** Informs Network Members on the announcement of calls for proposals, coorganization of events, modalities and procedures on how to apply;

**III.2.10.** Facilitates the search for project partners for the members of the network. In the development of partnerships with foreign partners, the Head of Network could pay particular



attention to Members having organizational or other kind of difficulties in taking part in the ALF activities;

**III.2.11.** Assists the Network Members or other international partners in project development and project financial management; or direct the interested parties to the better equipped members for assistance;

**III.2.12**. Encourages applications for project funding of the network;

**III.2.13**. Participates in the ALF Heads of Network annual meeting. Before this meeting, the HoN shall organize a meeting of the members of the network, or ensure other appropriate forms of consultation and discussion at national level;

**III.2.14.** Co-ordinate with the ALF headquarters on a regular basis.

# Article IV. MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL NETWORK

### **IV.1. Network Members criteria and values**

**IV.1.** The following moral standards are given priority:

- Substituting competition with cooperation
- Sharing personal and organization experience
- Sharing information
- Providing personal expertise for the benefit of the network activities
- Showing respect and tolerance towards the other
- Accomplishing conscientiously the commitments and obligations undertaken
- Being active and responsible in the processes of decision making and problem solving
- Consolidating personal and organizational potential with the respect to achieving significant goals

**IV.1.2** The membership in the Bulgarian National Network is voluntarily.

**IV.1.3.** The Network consists only of full members.

**IV.1.4.** Full members of the Network are all institutions, organizations and other partners who adhere to the principles and the mission of the Anna Lindh Foundation.

#### **IV. Rights and Obligations of Network Members:**

#### IV.2 Rights

Each Member has the right to:

**IV.2.1**. To elect and to be elected in the management structure of the Network is such exist;

IV.2.2. To participate in the General Assembly and to vote in the decision making;

IV.23. To propose and suggest activities of the Network and its management structure;

**IV.2.4**. To participate in the common initiatives of the Network;

**IV.2.5**. To terminate its membership in the Network.

# **IV.3. Obligations**

Each Member is obliged to:



**IV 3.1**. To respect and comply with the Internal Rules of the Network and to comply with the decisions of the governing structure;

IV 3.2. Taking part in the Network meetings;

**IV.3.3**. Taking part in consultation process of documents issued and distributed by the Coordinator;

IV.3.4. Sending regular news on the changes in the structure/mission/statute/contact data, etc;

**IV.3.5.** To colaborate in order to help achievement of the missions and objectives of the National Network;

**IV.3.6.** To actively disseminate information for the activity of the Network and to involve potential members in its activities;

**IV.3.7.** To maintain the trust and tolerance between the Network Members;

**IV.3.8**. To regularly inform the HoN for its activity related to the Network and to reply promptly to the requests on behalf of HoN;

**IV.3.9**. To implement conscientiously their engagements to the Network;

**IV.3.10.** To work for the good reputation of the Network and do not implement activities, contradictive to the mission and objectives of the Network.

**IV.3.11**. To be constantly in touch with the Network members and HoN

**IV.3.12.** To respect the colective copyright and do not misappropriate the other's know-how.

# **V. TERMINATION**

The membership in the Network shall be terminated in case:

**V.1.** The legal structure/ non-formal network is dissolved;

**V.2.** A request for exclusion on behalf of the member organisation is submitted

**V.3.** The member does not respond to any requests/letters on behalf of the Head of Network or does not cooperate with the Network members and/or contribute to the Network development for 1 year.

#### Article VI. Representation

The Network is represented by the Head of Network. The latter has the right to authorize other persons to accomplish certain activities, explicitly specified in the power of attorney.