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EUROPEAN ROUTE OF HISTORIC GARDENS

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

RULES OF INTERNAL PROCEDURE

Art. 1. Definition

The Association of the European Network of Historic Gardens established under the current current Spanish legislation will be governed by the Statutes of the association approved on 04/26/2016 in Lloret de Mar and by all those rules established by the applicable regulations according to the laws. In these statutes, the creation of the Scientific Committee of the Network is included. It is an advisory body in charge of making proposals to the Board of Directors and the Assembly, for their approval.

Article 2. Application

The Scientific Committee of the European Network Association of Historic Gardens will be governed by these Regulations.

Article 3. Objectives and Functions

The Scientific Committee has the mission of safeguarding the rigour of the Association's practice and its scientific procedures, as well as guaranteeing the ethical filter of its actions within the framework of the Association's objectives.

Among the Functions of the Scientific Committee are:

- Assess and advise about institutional alliances and collaborations that the association may / wishes to establish.
- Intervene in the selection of projects to be carried out by the association
- Lead the organization of and participation in scientific forums, events, meetings, congresses, seminars of any kind, always with the prior approval of the Board of Directors.
- Assess and report the candidatures of new partners and propose to the Board of Directors their membership, when suitable, to be ratified by the General Assembly.



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- Prepare biannual action programs (Scientific Action Plans) including different projects and activities that enhance collaboration links between the members of the Network.
- Define dissemination strategies for the associated Gardens that contribute to promoting European identity through cultural tourism.
- Encourage good practices in the conservation and management of Historic Gardens by organizing and participating in workshops, congresses, courses, seminars, awards, etc.
- Assessment and monitoring of the actions carried out by the association and their impact on the fulfilment of the objectives of the Network.

Annually, the Committee will prepare a report on the specific tasks carried out during that period, which will include an analysis of the actions developed by the network and its impact on the fulfilment of the objectives.

- Monitor as much as possible the general condition of the gardens that are associated to ensure that they represent the values for which they originally were accepted as members. The Committee may propose monitoring processes if considered necessary.
- Award periodically the ERHG “Acanthus” prize,

Article 4. Selection criteria for Committee members

The Members of the scientific committee may be all those professionals whose contribution is considered relevant for the fulfilment of its objectives and those of the association. They may be experts in Historic Gardens, in History, historic heritage managers, tourism managers, and any other professional linked to any of the association's areas of interest, who may be proposed by the President of the Scientific Committee, by the Board of Directors of the Association, or by other partners.

Article 5. Internal functioning of the Committee

The Scientific Committee of the European Network Association of Historic Gardens will be made up of 6 to 8 members. They will have to be ratified by the General Assembly.

At the proposal of the members of the Scientific Committee, a President will be appointed from among its members. The position of the President of the Scientific Committee must



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be ratified by the Board of Directors. The members of the Scientific Committee will hold office for four years and may be re-elected.

The functions of the President of the Scientific Committee will be the following:

- Convene, chair and coordinate the meetings of the Committee
- Serve as liaison between the Committee and the Board of Directors
- Appoint coordinators of specific projects within the biannual Action Plan
- Raise and sign the minutes of the Committee meetings
- Transmit to the Board of Directors the decisions of the committee on the incorporation of new partners, which will later be ratified at the Assembly.
- Present the Annual evaluation report to the Assembly

The Scientific Committee may have external advisors who are considered of strategic relevance for the fulfilment of the purposes of this committee and the network.

The Committee will meet at least 3 times a year, at the call of its President, any of its members or the Board of Directors.

The decisions of the scientific committee will be taken by consensus and in case of discrepancy, the President will have the casting vote.

Article 6. Economic Regime

The members of the Scientific Committee will not receive any fees for the performance of their duties. However, the Committee's operating expenses, including travel and per diem expenses, will be borne by the REJH budget.