

*Statutes of the
Association des Amis du
Musée international d'horlogerie*

First article - Constitution

Under the appellation of Association des Amis du Musée international d'horlogerie, an Association is founded in accordance with the present statutes and with articles 60 and successive ones of the Swiss Civil Code.

This Association is placed under the patronage of the Fondation Maurice Favre and has unlimited life duration.

Art. 2. - Headquarters

The headquarters of the Association is in La Chaux-de-Fonds, at the Musée international d'horlogerie.

Art. 3. - Aim

The aim of this Association is to bring together all institutions and persons who wish to participate in the radiance of the Musée international d'horlogerie and in the enhancement of its collections.

Art. 4. - Members

The members of the Association are institutions and individuals. A set of regulations adopted by the General Assembly determines entry and resignation conditions, as well as their rights and duties.

Art. 5 – General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme authority of the Association. It groups all members who have a vote.

- ❖ It adopts the report of activities and the annual accounts, nominates the Committee, two auditors and all other social representatives to be instituted, revises and modifies the statutes, adopts the regulations, in particular the one which defines the rights and duties of the different members.
- ❖ It names the members of honour.
- ❖ It defines the amount of the membership fee.
- ❖ It gathers ordinarily once a year, upon convening by the Committee at least 20 days in advance, with indication of the items covered on the agenda.

The General Assembly makes its decisions by a majority of the members present. It can only give a valid ruling on the items written on the agenda.

Art. 6 - Committee

The Committee takes charge of the administration and representation of the Association. It is responsible for taking useful measures in order to reach the social aim, for convening the ordinary and extraordinary general assemblies, for making decisions relative to the admission and resignation of the members as well as their possible exclusion, for ensuring the execution of the decisions of the General Assembly and the application of the statutes and regulations of the Association. Depending on the circumstances, it can assign a special mission to a commission.

It consists of 7 to 15 members, appointed for one year by the General Assembly and re-eligible.

The President is designated by name, the other members distribute the responsibilities of the Committee as they wish.

It can decide how to distribute the funds collected, in accordance with the Management of the MIH.
The Committee can delegate part of its authority to a bureau of 3 to 7 members.

It can validly deliberate as soon as 5 of its members are present.

The Committee and its bureau are convened on order of the president or at the request of three of their members.

Art. 7 – Annual accounting period

The annual accounting period coincides with the civil year.

Art. 8 - Representation

The Association is legitimately committed by the collective dual signature of the President, of the Vice President or another committee member.

Art. 9. - Funds

The resources of the Association are the membership fees of its members, donations, subsidies, legacies, etc.

The funds collected are used for the enhancement and highlighting of the presentation of the collections. They are remitted at the end of each accounting year to the Fondation Maurice Favre, after deduction of the charges for the management and promotion of the Association, as well as of the money invested in accordance with the management of the MIH.

The annual report indicates the resources used for the management and promotion of the Association, the amounts committed in accordance with the management of the Musée international d'horlogerie, as well as the amounts transferred to the Fondation Maurice Favre and their allocation.

Art. 10 - Dissolution

The dissolution of the Association can be decided by the General Assembly. It must be accepted by a majority of three quarters of the members present.

In the case of dissolution of the Association, the assets will be transferred to the Fondation Maurice Favre for the purchase of items or collections of its choice.

Art. 11 – Entry into force

The present statutes, adopted at the constitutive General Assembly held on the 2nd December 1980 at the Musée international d'horlogerie, modified by the General Assembly on the 10th March 1999, the 21st February 2001 and the 10th March 2005 signed by the President and the Vice President who were then nominated, enter immediately into force.

The President

The Vice-President

Claude Laesser

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La Chaux-de-Fonds, the 10th March 2005

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