

PPI Conference 2015/Statutes Amendments

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SAP-1 Admittance of Members

Title	Admittance of Members
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proposal ballot(s)	Admittance of Members Proposal: <i>Delete:</i> "b) use the inflection of the word Pirate in their name," and change into: IV. Ordinary Members (1) The Ordinary Members are the founding Members and those accepted by the General Assembly according to section III, paragraph (4). To Ordinary Membership are eligible Members that a) adhere to these statutes and the goals of the association as laid down by these statutes, and

	<p>b) have an inner order based on democratic principles.</p> <hr/> <p>Current wording:</p> <p>IV. Ordinary Members</p> <p>(1) The Ordinary Members are the founding Members and those accepted by the General Assembly according to section III, paragraph (4). To Ordinary Membership are eligible Members that</p> <p>a) adhere to these statutes and the goals of the association as laid down by these statutes,</p> <p>b) use the inflection of the word Pirate in their name, and</p> <p>c) have an inner order based on democratic principles.</p>
reasoning and motivation	<p>The sad reality has shown that some parties have trouble being registered with the name Pirates. So it had happened in the past with the Pirate Party of Russia [1] and also the Pirate Party of Taiwan [2]. There should be a way for such Parties that are "Pirate Parties by heart" to join as ordinary members of the Pirate Parties International without the need of bearing the "pirate" in their name. More important than the self inflicted label "Pirate Party" is the political compatibility of the applicants. Therefore we should and must examine such candidates with all scrutiny.</p> <p>[1] https://torrentfreak.com/russia-orders-pirate-party-to-drop-pirate-from-its-name-140107/</p> <p>[2] http://www.taipeitimes.com/News/taiwan/archives/2012/02/27/2003526490</p>

SAP-2 Supportive Membership

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proposal ballot(s)	Supportive Membership Proposal:

- to ammend paragraph III as following:

III.

(4) The General Assembly is authorized to grant, at its own discretion, the applicant one of the following Member status in Pirate Parties International

- Ordinary Member
- Observer Member
- Supporting Member

- To include a new paragraph V.a after the current paragraph V with following wording:

V. a. Supporting Member

(1) Individuals and other organizations who care to actively support Pirate Parties International can become Supporting Member.

(2) Supporting Members shall be entitled to attend the General Assembly as non-voting participant. They shall not be entitled to vote unless they are appointed as delegates by a member organisation.

(3) The minimum annual subscription for Supporting Members shall be fixed by the Board.

(4) No Supporting member shall be accepted against the objections of an Ordinary Member of the country of applicants residence or of the Board of Pirate Parties International. In the case that no Ordinary Member exists in the country of applicants residence, admission is decided directly by the Board of Pirate Parties International. Details of the application and admission process shall be regulated in the Rules of Procedures of the Board.

(5) Member Parties are encouraged to solicit PPI supporting membership during their own regular campaigns.

- To change the wording of the Paragraph VIII as following:

VIII

The Board keeps a Membership register at the PPI Headquarters of Pirate Parties International. This register lists the name, legal form, address of the registered office, identity of the representative and, where applicable, the registration number in accordance with existing legislation and regulations. All Members may consult **the register of organizations** at the registered office of the PPI Headquarters. "

Current wording:

III.

	<p>(4) The General Assembly is authorized to grant, at its own discretion, the applicant one of the following Member status in Pirate Parties International</p> <p>a) Ordinary Member</p> <p>b) Observer Member</p> <p>V. a.</p> <p>Does not yet exist.</p> <p>VIII</p> <p>All Members may consult this register at the registered office of the PPI Headquarters.</p> <p>VIII</p> <p>The Board keeps a Membership register at the PPI Headquarters of Pirate Parties International. This register lists the name, legal form, address of the registered office, identity of the representative and, where applicable, the registration number in accordance with existing legislation and regulations. All Members may consult this register at the registered office of the PPI Headquarters.</p>
<p>reasoning and motivation</p>	<p>As decided at the online GA 2015:</p> <p>"The PPI General Assembly should consider the inclusion of individuals and individual organizations as supporter members of PPI.</p> <p>Individual 'Global Pirate Membership' from supporters. PPI should cultivate a global identity amongst Pirate supporters by soliciting individual membership fees equivalent to €10 per year. Member Parties should solicit PPI supporter membership during their own regular campaigns."</p> <p>We were due to deliver a SAP to get individual people and other organisations involved.</p> <p>We still think this this to be a good idea to get even more people involved in the work up front. Even a financial contribution - if so decided by the GA - will help PPI in its actual work.</p>

SAP-3 Termination of Membership

Title	Termination of Membership
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proposal ballot(s)	<p>Termination of Membership</p> <p>Proposal:</p> <p>Change:</p> <p>VII. Termination of Membership</p> <p>(1) Any Member may resign from Pirate Parties International at any time. The Member gives notice to the Board of the decision to resign. This shall be done in a traceable way. Members that resign are obliged to fulfill their financial obligations toward the association for all previous years.</p> <p>Add:</p> <p>VII. Termination of Membership</p> <p>(4) Resigning, deceased / dissolved / bankrupt or excluded members and their successors or rightful claimants shall have no entitlement to the assets of the Association.</p> <p>(5) They may not claim restitution or reimbursement of membership fees or payments made.</p> <p>(6) They may not demand or claim a report, statement of accounts, sealing or inventory.</p> <hr/> <p>Current wording:</p> <p>(1) Any Member may resign from Pirate Parties International at any time. The Member gives notice to the Board of the decision to resign by registered letter. Members that resign are obliged to fulfill their financial obligations toward the association for all previous years.</p> <p>-</p>
reasoning and motivation	Legal liability protection is given to PPI with adding these paragraphs. Also the requirement of sending a "registered letter" was too high of an obstacle for some former PPI Members, it is no real need for such a hurdle, in the age of electronic communication.

SAP-4 One Chair, one vice-Chair

Title	One Chair, one vice-Chair
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proposal ballot(s)	<p>Composition of Board</p> <p>Proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Change the wording of Paragraph XXII section (3) and (4) as following: <p>XXII. Board</p> <p>(3) The Board is composed of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) one Chairperson, b) one Vice-Chairperson, c) five Board Members <p>(4) The Board elects among the Board Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) a Treasurer and b) a Chief of Administration c) a Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson if the seat became vacant <p>No Board Member shall fulfil more than one office.</p> <hr/> <p>Current wording:</p> <p>XXII. Board</p> <p>(3) The Board is composed of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) two Co-Chairmen, b) five Board Members <p>(4) The Board elects among the Board Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) a Treasurer and b) a Chief of Administration <p>No Board Member shall fulfil more than one office.</p>

reasoning and motivation	<p>Out of living practice among the PPI board there had had been no positive outcome from having two chairs. On the contrary the situation that two co-chairs have shared responsibilities have led sometimes to conflict situation, where any responsible action was avoided. A living and vital leadership is necessary to have a working board.</p> <p>From the experience from last year some regulation has to be found if a Chair becomes vacant.</p>
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SAP-5 Term of Office

Title	Term of Office
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proposal ballot(s)	<p>Term of Office</p> <p>Proposal:</p> <p>Change and add XII. Board</p> <p>XII. Board</p> <p>(2) The Board and the Alternate Members are elected for two years by the General Assembly at the regular sessions or if an extraordinary session is requested for that purpose.</p> <p>(2a) This rule applies only once: At the next regular session, every secondary seat of the Board and the Alternate Board - according to the number of their previous votes - will be new elected due to establish a rotating system. In case of a tie at the previous votes a decision is taken by drawing lot.</p> <hr/> <p>Current wording:</p> <p>XII. Board</p> <p>(2) The Board and the Alternate Members are elected by the General Assembly at the regular sessions or if an extraordinary session is requested for that purpose</p>

reasoning and motivation	Given the complex task of running the PPI as an international organization requires the transfer of know-how and skills among the board members. It is good practice to introduce a rotation among the board members by electing every year only a part of it (as practiced for example by the Pirate Party of Sweden). For the first year that we want to introduce this rotation, its brings some challenges of how to transit to the new regulation, for that a "one time" provision is needed.
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Postponed Motions from the online GA 2015



MO-1 Access to medicine

Title	Access to medicine
Put by	 PP-DE
Sponsor	 PP-DE
Motion	<p>May the General Assembly of the Pirate Parties International decide the following declaration:</p> <p>We deem the universal access to medicine and medical treatment as a human right.</p> <p>People in developing and least developed countries must have access to medicine beyond the restrictions of patenting systems. Patents that hinder the fight against diseases should be subject to compulsory licensing.</p> <p>Since the economics of medical technology makes research and development into non-patentable medical techniques uneconomic for corporations, state funding needs to be made available to test the effectiveness of substances, currently illegal for therapeutic purposes.</p> <p>Further blocking of scientific work based solely on dogmatic arguments is no longer acceptable. Patients must not be hindered in their free choice of treatment. Well trained, responsible physicians and informed patients must have the full responsibility for choosing the substances used for treatment. The dangers of all used substances must be fully disclosed.</p> <p>Furthermore, us Pirates propose a global fund for financing research on neglected diseases.</p> <p>---</p> <p>In case of successful adoption by the GA, we call upon the Members of PPI to ratify this declaration timely by a suitable vehicle.</p>
Rationale	Will be delivered in session.



MO-1b Access to medicine

Title	Access to medicine
Put by	 PP-CZ
Sponsor	 PP-CZ
Motion	<p>May the General Assembly of the Pirate Parties International decide the following declaration:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">We deem the universal access to medicine and medical treatment as a human right.</p> <p>People in developing and least developed countries must have access to medicine beyond the restrictions of patenting systems. Patents that hinder the fight against diseases should be subject to compulsory licensing.</p> <p>Since the economics of medical technology makes research and development into non-patentable medical techniques uneconomic for corporations, state funding needs to be made available to test the effectiveness of substances, currently illegal for therapeutic purposes.</p> <p>Therefore, us Pirates propose a WHO funding for financing research on neglected diseases.</p> <p>Further blocking of scientific work based solely on dogmatic arguments is no longer acceptable. Patients must not be hindered in their free choice of treatment. Well trained, responsible physicians and informed patients must have the full responsibility for choosing the substances used for treatment. The dangers of all used substances must be fully disclosed.</p> <p>---</p> <p>In case of successful adoption by the GA, we call upon the Members of PPI to ratify this declaration timely by a suitable vehicle.</p>
Rationale	Will be delivered in session.



MO-2 Copyright

Title	Copyright
Put by	 PP-DE
Sponsor	 PP-DE
Motion	<p>May the General Assembly of the Pirate Parties International decide the following declaration:</p> <p>Pirates want a fair and balanced copyright law based on the interests of society as a whole.</p> <p>We strive for the abolition of information monopolies. As for now the only beneficiaries of the monopolies are huge corporations, while the market as a whole is failing. This market failure is apparent by the frequent bullying of individuals and SMEs by collecting societies and the loss of orphan works to society. Our goal is to create an environment where the motivation to create goes hand in hand with freedom of information.</p> <p>Improved public availability of information, knowledge and culture is a prerequisite for the social, technological and economic development of our society. Pirates therefore demand that copying, storing, using and providing access to literary and artistic works for non-commercial purposes must not only be legalised but protected by law and actively promoted. Everyone shall be able to enjoy and share our cultural heritage free from the threat of legal action or censorship.</p> <p>The commercial monopoly given by copyright should be restored to a reasonable term. Derivative works shall always be permitted, with exceptions that are very specifically enumerated in law with minimal room for interpretation.</p> <p>The internet as a medium should know no borders. Pirates consider artificial national barriers for cultural goods a hindrance to the global trade and demand their abolishment. A change of approach is required in the area of rights to intangible goods and their respective enforcement practices.</p> <p>Further monopolies in the sectors of information and culture have to be prevented. By law, states should only allow or maintain monopoly rights for intangible goods if these are in the public interest. Any monopoly rights must be temporally limited, neither their time-span nor their scope may be expanded retrospectively.</p> <p>The creation of commons, such as free software, free cultural goods, open patent pools and free and open educational material, must be promoted and legally protected.</p> <p>Social life, increasingly taking place in digital spaces, must not be restricted by monopoly rights over intangible goods. The introduction of “fair use” regulations will ensure that social interactions remain unencumbered.</p> <p>Each collecting society must ensure comprehensive transparency, fair participatory rights for their members and fairer contract terms for artists.</p> <p>---</p> <p>In case of successful adoption by the GA, we call upon the Members of PPI to ratify this declaration timely by a suitable vehicle.</p>
Rationale	Will be delivered in session.



MO-3 Net Neutrality

Title	Net Neutrality
Put by	 PP-DE
Sponsor	 PP-DE
Motion	<p>May the General Assembly of the Pirate Parties International decide the following declaration on net neutrality:</p> <p>The principle of network neutrality must be enforced by law in each and every country to ensure strong incentives for investment, fair competition and equal treatment of everybody in the digital space.</p> <p>We consider the freedom of information as an universal human right, and the net neutrality a necessary mean to it.</p> <p>Everyone must be able to have access to an Internet connection that does not discriminate against any service or competitor. Traffic management measures shall only be allowed in exceptional circumstances, operated in a clear and transparent manner and only for technical reasons.</p> <p>Non-discriminatory access to the Internet must apply uniformly across the whole world. We reject measures by the telecommunications companies that threaten freedom of access.</p> <p>---</p> <p>In case of successful adoption by the GA, we call upon the Members of PPI to ratify this declaration timely by a suitable vehicle.</p>
Rationale	Will be delivered in session.



MO-4 Basic Income

Title	Basic Income
Put by	 PP-DE
Sponsor	 PP-DE
Motion	<p>May the General Assembly of the Pirate Parties International decide the following declaration:</p> <p>Pirates see labor not just as a tradeable commodity, but also as a person's individual achievement. Respect for human dignity therefore commands that each person can decide freely which occupation he or she wishes to pursue and which job to take, but also that such services be adequately compensated.</p> <p>Thanks to technological development it is no longer necessary that each monotonous, senseless or even dangerous task be performed by humans. We welcome and wish to promote this significant advance. Hence we consider the goal of absolute full employment as outdated and not socially desirable. Instead, we want to achieve that all people receive their adequate share of the general wealth; to this end, we will consider the introduction of a basic income guarantee.</p> <p>---</p> <p>In case of successful adoption by the GA, we call upon the Members of PPI to ratify this declaration timely by a suitable vehicle.</p>



MO-5 Privacy

Title	Privacy
Put by	 PP-DE
Sponsor	 PP-DE
Motion	<p>May the General Assembly of the Pirate Parties International decide the following declaration:</p> <p>Pirates are committed to privacy and corresponding civil liberties of all human beings worldwide. We will never tolerate state driven surveillance measures of any kind.</p> <p>Adequate protection against crime is an important responsibility of the state. We must ensure this responsibility is fulfilled through an intelligent, rational and evidence-based security policy without surveillance.</p> <p>The practice of routine, automated and untargeted data collection, storage and matching is to be abolished.</p> <p>Anyone subject to state surveillance should be informed of these facts in due time to safeguard against abuse.</p> <p>---</p> <p>In case of successful adoption by the GA, we call upon the Members of PPI to ratify this declaration timely by a suitable vehicle.</p>
Rationale	Will be delivered in session.



MO-6 No to TTIP

Title	No to TTIP
Put by	 PP-DE
Sponsor	 PP-DE
Motion	<p>May the General Assembly of the Pirate Parties International decide the following declaration:</p> <p>The Assembly of Members of Pirate Parties International</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strictly oppose TTIP ■ Support the protest movement all over the world ■ Urge the European Parliament and both houses of the U.S. Congress not to consent to TTIP ■ Call for ex-ante and ex-post human rights impact assessments to be conducted for every trade agreement. <p>---</p> <p>In case of successful adoption by the GA, we call upon the Members of PPI to ratify this declaration timely by a suitable vehicle.</p>
Rationale	Will be delivered in session.

MO-6b No to TTIP



Title	No to TTIP
Put by	 PP-CZ
Sponsor	 PP-CZ
Motion	<p>May the General Assembly of the Pirate Parties International decide the following declaration:</p> <p>The Assembly of Members of Pirate Parties International Strictly oppose international treaties enforcing broken monopolies hindering developing countries or human rights and freedoms. Thus, we</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strictly oppose TTIP ■ Support the protest movement all over the world ■ Urge the European Parliament and both houses of the U.S. Congress not to consent to TTIP ■ Call for ex-ante and ex-post human rights impact assessments to be conducted for every trade agreement. <p>---</p> <p>In case of successful adoption by the GA, we call upon the Members of PPI to ratify this declaration timely by a suitable vehicle.</p>
Rationale	Will be delivered in session.

MO-7 Transparency of the Public Sector

Title	Transparency of the Public Sector
Put by	 PP-DE
Sponsor	 PP-DE
Motion	<p>May the General Assembly of the Pirate Parties International decide the following declaration:</p> <p>The public sector, including private entities carrying out work on behalf of a public body, must be transparent. Pirates believe that it is a fundamental right of citizens to inspect, without the need for any specific justification, all contracts or financial benefits related to the delivery of public sector or government projects and services.</p> <p>Pirates advocate for general and comprehensive legislation to protect persons who expose issues that are in the public interest, such as cases of corruption, insider trading, or ethics or human rights violations (“whistle-blowers”).</p> <p>---</p> <p>In case of successful adoption by the GA, we call upon the Members of PPI to ratify this declaration timely by a suitable vehicle.</p>
Rationale	Will be delivered in session.

New Motions

MO-8

Title	Political Manifesto
Put by	 PP-DE
Sponsor	 PP-DE
Motion	<p>The Assembly of the Members of Pirate Parties International</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Considering the growing number of Pirate Parties worldwide, - Recognising the political autonomy and diversity of PPI Members, - Acknowledging PPI being a global organisation that is concerned with the whole world and not only with the regards of the developed world, - Pursuing the goal of strengthening the global pirate identity across the globe, - Noting the effort that went into the creation of the "Manifesto of the European Pirate Party", - Acclaiming the constitution of the Standing Committee on Common Political Program, <p>strives to come up within a year, with a proposal for a political manifesto to be included as part of the statutes of the Pirate Parties International, that should then be approved by the General Assembly.</p>
Rationale	Selfexplaining

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