



**URA YOUTH FORUM
STATUTE**

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PART I

GENERAL STIPULATIONS

YOUTH FORUM STATUS

Article 1

URA Youth Forum (hereinafter YF URA) is a form of political association based on common political interest of its members.

YF URA is organized in accordance with Rules of the organization and bodies of Civic Movement URA, and its work is defined by URA Youth Forum Statute (hereinafter Statute)

STATUTE SUBJECT

Article 2

This Statute regulates and establishes: name, logo, headquarters, goals, means of communication with the general public, political position, rights and duties of its members, organizations structure, governing bodies, means of electing and rescinding of the said bodies, duration of the term as well as other questions of interest for YF URA.

ORGANISATION NAME

Article 3

Full name of the organization is Forum mladih Građanskog pokreta Ujedinjena reformska akcija, abbreviation of the name is FM URA.

Name used internationally is Youth Forum URA, abbreviation of the name is YF URA.

HEADQUARTERS

Article 4

YF URA headquarters are in Podgorica, Dalmatinska 130d

FINANCES

Article 5

YF URA uses its own account for all of its transactions.

REPRESENTATION

Article 6

YF URA is represented by president of FY URA.

President retains a right to name other individuals to represent FY URA at certain degree, which they must do in accordance to this Statute

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TRANSPARENCY

Article 7

Work and actions of FY URA are transparent. Transparency of work and actions are displayed in public gatherings, conferences, symposiums, via official internet presentations of FY URA, trough all sorts of printed, electronic and other media, by establishing connections and influencing the general opinion, citizens, electorate, supporters and member of FY and URA.

PART II

GOALS AND FIELD OF WORK

FY URA GOALS

Article 8

FY URA goals are:

- 1) Realization of programs and policies of Civic movement URA ;
- 2) Membership education;
- 3) Inclusion of FY URA members in all activities of Civic movement URA;
- 4) Implementation of program principles and objectives in the field of youth policies;
- 5) Realization of the URA Civic Movement program

YOUTH POLICIES

Article 9

In order to achieve the program principles and goals, set by this Statute particularly undertakes activities and acts within the field of youth policy (hereinafter referred to as YP), which present the following topics:

- 1) Education
- 2) Youth employment;
- 3) Student internships and volunteering;
- 4) Scholarships and youth loans;
- 5) Youth mobility and information;
- 6) Cross border youth cooperation;
- 7) Political participation and youth trainings;
- 8) Youth safety;
- 9) Fighting the discrimination amongst youth;
- 10) Securing social security and health care for youth;
- 11) Preventing the bad influence of drug and alcohol abuse;
- 12) Criminal justice system and its treatment of youth;
- 13) Youth inclusion in decision making;
- 14) Environmental protection;
- 15) Other subjects of interest

PROGRAMS AND GOALS REALIZATION

Article 10

In order to achieve the program principles and goals from articles 8 and 9 of the Statute, the goals of youth policy YF URA and the Manifesto of the Civic Movement URA, starting from the principle of political legitimacy and legality, program objectives will be achieved in a democratic and non-violent parliamentary and non-parliamentary means, without adopting undemocratic , totalitarian, or other violent methods.

In implementation of the program and the goals from articles 8 and 9 of this Statute YF URA can establish communication and cooperation with political associations, and other non-political organizations in the country and abroad, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of Civic movement URA , program interests and goals of Civic movement and FY URA.

YOUTH FORUM AUTHONOMY

Article 11

YF URA is an autonomous organization within the movement in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Civic movement , which independently carries out activities and makes the choice of its own bodies.

In carrying out its own activities, FM URA may consult with the competent authorities of the Civic movement.

PART III

MEMBERSHIP

YOUTH FORM MEMBERSHIP

Article 12

Member of YF is every member aged 18 to 30 years , who voluntarily expresses the will to be member by signing a written consent.

FY member may be an 18- to 30-year-old non-member of the Civic movement , if he or she accepts the program orientations and political goals of the Civic movement, but cannot be elected to any office or have the right to make decisions in the FM URA bodies .

Movement sympathizers can participate as associates in YF activities , who can attend YF body sessions on invitation , but without voting and decision-making power.

MEMBERS RIGHTS AND DUTIES

Article13

All members of FM URA are equal in their rights and duties , in accordance with these Rules. A member has the right to:

- 1) Elect and be elected to all bodies of the FM URA in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the GP URA and the Rules of Procedure of the FM URA , except in the cases provided for in Article 1 2 paragraph 2 and 3 ;
- 2) Participates in YF activities on equal terms as other members
- 3) Freely expresses his / her opinion within the YF , freely submits proposals and initiates initiatives that are not contrary to the YF Statute, and the basic program and political views of the Civic movement ;
- 4) Obtains political protection from YF if threatened for his political activities within the Civic movement;
- 5) Participate in the establishment and implementation of the basic principles of YF;
- 6) Be informed of YF activities;
- 7) Exercise other rights provided for in this Statute.

Member of FM URA is required to:

- 1) Advocate and implement the YF program principles and decisions in public;
- 2) To conscientiously fulfill obligations delegated by the authorities and bodies of Civic movement and YF;
- 3) Comply with the Regulations and decisions of the Civic movement bodies ;
- 4) To regularly attend sessions of the organs of the body of which he is a member;
- 5) Fulfills other obligations in accordance with the Statute.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Article 14

YF membership status ceases in the case of:

- 1) Voluntary withdrawal from membership
- 2) Termination of membership in FM URA at the end of the calendar year in which the member turns 30 years of age;
- 3) Deletion from the register of members;
- 4) By a majority decision of Youth Forums Presidency.

Upon leaving the membership, the membership shall be terminated by the will of the former member on the basis of his/her written statement.

Each member who has been elected to a position in FM URA who has reached the age of 30 during his/her term of office shall remain in office until the expiration of his/her term of office, resignation or removal.

MEMBERS LIABILITY

Article 15

Member shall be liable for any actions that result in damage to YF and/or Civic movements interests or for actions that directly go against YF principles, for that member shall face disciplinary measures.

Disciplinary procedure shall be conducted against member whose actions and conduct are directed against the decisions of YF and Civic movements bodies, or those members whose dishonorable and brutal actions violate Statute, principles and goals of YF.

The procedure referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article shall be conducted by the YF Presidency.

MINORITY RIGHTS

Article 16

Members of YF who disagree with the decision of the majority are entitled to their opinion and to continue to represent and defend it within the framework of authority YF. No YF member can be held liable for giving an opinion or voting within an YF body.

MEMBERSHIP RECORDS

Article 17

YF Secretary general is required to keep the record of members and submit a report to Presidency once every three months, or, if requested by FY Presidency, even more often.

Municipal and local branch secretaries are also required to keep record of members and submit reports to Secretary general once every three months, or, if requested by Secretary general.

PART IV

WORK AND ORGANISATION OF YOUTH FORUM

BASICS OF THE ORGANISATION

Article 18

YF is organized on a territorial principle. YF organization is consisted of state and local bodies.

YOUTH FORUM AUTHORITIES

Article 19

State level FM URA bodies are:

- 1) Congress;
- 2) the Presidency;
- 3) President;
- 4) Secretary general.

The auxiliary bodies of FM URA at the state level are:

- 1) PR and media sector; Infrastructure Development Team;
- 2) Green and gender policy/politics team;
- 3) Education team;
- 4) International relations team;
- 5) Other sectors formed in accordance to this Statute.

YF local and municipal bodies are:

- 1) Local congress;
- 2) Local presidency;
- 3) Municipal coordinator;
- 4) Municipal secretary;
- 5) Local committee.

Presidency decides on establishing the local bodies.

CONGRESS

Article 20

The YF Congress is the highest decision-making body of the YF.

The YF Congress can be elective and programmatic.

Elective Congress is held once every three years, it is convened by the Presidency.
Elective

Congress elects new President. Elective Congress can be convened on written request of at least 75% members. Elective Congress cannot end until new President is elected. Presidency is requested to elect Organizing Committee on the same session on which it decides to hold a Congress.

Organizing Committee conducts the technical preparations, determines delegates, verification and polling list in accordance with the quota decided by the Presidency, prints ballots in number no greater than the cumulative delegate count, and runs YF Congress until the election of Temporary Presidency.

Program congress convenes if required, and can be convened by Presidency. Congress is presided by Temporary Presidency, which is chosen on the beginning of the Congress, and proposes agenda.

YF CONGRESS COMPOSITION

Article 21

The FM URA Congress consists of:

- 1) Elected representatives of municipal organizations in where every local branch of the YF has the number of votes proportional to its member size (10 members = 1 vote) ;
- 2) Municipal and local coordinators
- 3) Members of the YF who are members of the Presidency;
- 4) The YF members that are MPs or councilors;

CONGRESS COMPETENCES

Article 22

YF Congress:

- 1) Adopts YF rules and procedures

- 2) Amends Statute;
- 3) Adopts work program plans;
- 4) Sets basic policy principles of YF;
- 5) Adopts agenda;
- 6) Selects and dismisses president;

- 7) Decides on other significant issues related to the operation and organization of YF;
- 8) Considers the report on the work of the President
- 9) Perform other tasks in accordance with this Statute.

DECISION MAKING AT YF CONGRESS

Article 23

YF Congress has a quorum to make decisions if half of the delegates is present, and decision is made with the majority of the present delegates.

PRESIDENCY

Article 24

Presidency is political and executive authority in charge of policies and activities. Presidency meets at least once every month, and at the request of the President or at least 1/3 of the members. The Presidency consists of local representatives at least two from every local branch, with the gender balance one male and one female representative.

It is possible to organize electronic sessions of the Presidency. Decisions taken at the Presidency's electronic session must be verified at the first subsequent session.

Sessions are convened at least 5 days prior to the meeting.

PRESIDENCY COMPOSITION

Article 25

Presidency members are:

- 1) YF president;

- 2) Representatives of local branches;
- 3) Secretary general;
- 4) Honorary members

RESPONSABILITIES OF THE PRESIDENCY

Article 26

- 1) Presidency coordinates YF work in between two Congresses;
- 2) Presidency can put forward a proposal to dismiss president
- 3) Forms new permanent and temporary bodies and coordinates their work;
- 4) Follows up on local bodies and coordinates their work if necessary, and takes disciplinary actions in case the local bodies comply with the YF statute;
- 5) Presidency can also dismiss the authority of local authorities if they do not comply with the principles of the YF or if they underperform
- 6) Presidency decides on joining international organizations, the organizations must be in line with the principles of YF;
- 7) Discusses and adopts reports on the work of YF bodies;
- 8) Writes and adopts YF Statute proposals;
- 9) Dismisses YF Vice presidents on President's proposal, by majority (50+1);
- 10) Chooses and dismisses Secretary general on President's proposal or on proposal of one third of Presidency members by majority vote;
- 11) Chooses and dismisses commissions and working bodies of YF;
- 12) Adopts action plans put forward by local bodies;
- 13) Convenes Electoral and Program Congress
- 14) Verifies formation of local YF branches
- 15) Performs other activities in respect to this Statute

CANDIDACY

Article 27

When proposing candidates for all YF organs, one must take into consideration candidates' attribution to YF and Civic movement, and that they represent territorial, sexual, age and national diversity of Civic movement.

All YF bodies, and polling lists for candidates running for those bodies, must include at least 50% of less represented sex.

Every local branch of the formed local Youth Forums must have dual presidency with one female and one male president, they are chosen by the local members of the forum with the majority vote. Their chosen by the rules listed in this statute.

PRESIDENT

Article 28

YF President is main executive organ she/he represents, runs and takes care of entire YF and its interests.

PRESIDENTS COMPETENCES

Article 29

YF President:

- 1) Represents YF in accordance with Civic movements Manifesto, both in country and abroad;
- 2) Answers to Congress and Presidency for implementation of their decisions;
- 3) Convenes and presides over Presidency meetings;
- 4) Submits reports to Congress and Presidency;
- 5) Takes care of all YF assets;
- 6) Proposes YF budget to Presidency;
- 7) Has a right to convene any YF body meeting;
- 8) Proposes formation of working bodies to Presidency;
- 9) Runs YF policies and activities between the Congresses;

- 10) Performs other activities in respect to this Statute

ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT

Article 30

President is elected in a non-public ballot casting at Congress.

In the case there is only one candidate, Congress may decide to have a public vote.

Candidate for President can be any YF member that has a support of:

- At least 2 local branches
- At least 50 YF delegates for Congress.

Candidacy is submitted in written form at least 30 days before the Congress to YF Organization committee.

Candidate who wins more than half of the delegates votes, becomes new President.

In the case where no candidates win an outright majority, two candidates with most votes go into second round of voting, and candidate with more votes becomes new President.

President's term is tree years, and can be reelected once more. Detail of the procedure in which Presidents is elected are determined by Rulebook adopted by Presidency.

Candidates for President must offer their action plan for next year.

CESSION OF THE PRESIDENTS FUNCTION

Article 31

President's function may cease before the end of the term if he/she resigns or is dismissed in accordance to this Statute.

RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT

Article 32

President may submit irrevocable resignation to the position, which must be in written form. In the case of resignation President is replaced by Vice president. who has a duty to convene Presidency within seven days of resignation. When convened Presidency must hold new Congress within 3 months.

DISMISSAL OF PRESIDENT

Article 34

Proposal to start the procedure to dismiss President can be submitted by:

- 1) 2/3 of Presidency members

- 2) At least 1/3 of local branch coordinators

Presidency decides on dismissal motion by secret vote. If the motion is passed, Vice President will act in capacity of the President until the election of new President. Congress must convene within three months of Presidents dismissal.

SECRETARY GENERAL

Article 34

Secretary general is chosen by Presidency on Presidents proposal, with a majority vote.

Secretary general:

- 1) Performs the function of Congress and Presidency;
- 2) Oversees administrative and technical staff of YF;
- 3) Coordinates the work of local secretaries;
- 4) Proposes members of Secretariat to Presidency and organizes their activities;
- 5) Prepares report on its work
- 6) Takes care of YF archive;
- 7) Keeps membership record;
- 8) Performs other duties assigned by Presidency.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Article 36

Representative for international cooperation is proposed by President or 1/3 of Presidency members, and is elected by Presidency by a simple majority.

Representative for international cooperation keeps good relations on the behalf of YF with international and foreign organizations and performs other tasks in accordance to this Statute, given to her/him by President or Presidency.

Representative for international relations submits reports to Presidency.

Representative for international cooperation must submit a plan of activities to Presidency before being elected.

Representative term lasts for one year.

YF AUXILLIARY BODIES

Article 37

YF auxiliary bodies are:

- 6) PR and media sector; Infrastructure Development Team;
- 7) Green and gender policy/politics team;
- 8) Education team;
- 9) International relations team;
- 10) Other sectors formed in accordance to this Statute.

PART V

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

AMENDMENTS TO THE STATUTE

Article 38

The decision to amend this Rulebook shall be made by YF Congress. The initiative for the amendment of the Rules may be initiated by the Presidency and of at least 2/3 of municipal branches. The proposal is approved if an overwhelming majority of Congressional delegates vote in favor.

Amendments to the Statute shall be made in the manner and according to the procedure envisaged for its adoption. Initiatives and proposals for amendments or proposed new Rules can be given by President, Presidency or 2/3 of local branch coordinators.

Amendments to the proposal of the regulations may be made by all organs at all organizational levels and by any member of congress in accordance with the instructions given by the YF Presidency.

Amendments must be submitted to Presidency and all local branch coordinators at least 1 month before the Congress.

Presidency compiles all proposals, and after debate and vote, submits amended Statute to all local branch coordinators, who can give their opinion before the Statute is voted for on the Congress.

In exceptional cases, Presidency can make necessary amendments with a 2/3 majority. These decisions are temporary and must be confirmed on next Congress.

ENTRY INTO FORCE

Article 39

The provisions of this Statute shall also apply to the work and organization of the YF on the day of its adoption in Congress.

Exceptionally, in the circumstances defined in Article 39, paragraph 6, the provisions of this Statute shall apply on the date of adoption by the YF Presidency.