

Articles of Global Alliance “Sustainable Peace and Prosperity for All”

Purpose

Article 1. These Articles govern the organization and management of the Group named in Article 2.

Name

Article 2. The name of this Group is the Global Alliance “Sustainable Peace and Prosperity for All.”

2. The name of the Group shall be abbreviated as GASPPA. (Hereinafter referred to as GASPPA.)

Aim

Article 3. GASPPA shall work for raising the issue of nuclear weapons from the perspective of sustainability and urging the international community to take action, with the aim of including the abolition of nuclear weapons as a goal in the next cycle of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (post-SDGs). For the purpose of this Article, sustainability encompasses a wide range of issues, including the UN's three pillars: economic, social, and environmental."

Projects

Article 4. GASPPA shall carry out the projects listed below in order to achieve the aim specified in Article 3.

(1) GASPPA will frame the issue of nuclear weapons in terms of the impact on society, economy, environment, and many other areas from the perspective of sustainability, formulate and publish policy recommendations for raising the issue in the international community, and disseminate the information through campaigns. Such campaign covers a variety of elements, including humanitarian impact in various stages of development of nuclear weapons that touches upon the rights, psychological, social, and physical challenges of the victims(and their future generations), from nuclear weapons used in an attack, or from the mining, production, testing of nuclear weapons and nuclear plant disasters.

(2) GASPPA will establish a Group of Friends consisting of government officials involved in diplomatic negotiations and support its activities. Members of GASPPA will encourage their respective governments to join the Group of Friends.

(3) In order to participate in international negotiations as one of the negotiating parties, GASPPA will apply for consultative status in the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and launch a new group in the “Major Groups and Other Stakeholders.”

(4) GASPPA will provide support from the civil society sector for “An Agenda for Disarmament” and “Our Common Agenda” announced by the UN. Furthermore, GASPPA will lobby to ensure that the goal of eliminating nuclear weapons by 2045 is included in the “Agenda for Peace” to be formulated in the coming “Summit of the Future” and becomes part of the global movement toward the next development goals.

Members

Article 5. Organizations and individuals who agree to the Founding Statement may join GASPPA.

2. GASPPA Members shall be classified into two types of membership: Organizational Members, who join as an organization, and Individual Members, who join as an individual.

3. Individuals who desire to join GASPPA shall complete and submit to the Secretariat the membership application form on the website.

4. Organizations that desire to join GASPPA shall, after completion of internal decision-making for joining, apply for membership using the membership application form on the website.

5. Members may voluntarily withdraw from membership by submitting a notice of withdrawal to the Secretariat.

6. If an Organizational Member is dissolved, that Member will be deemed to have withdrawn from membership.

7. In the event of a reorganization, merger, or other change in the organizational member, the treatment of its membership shall be discussed by the Steering Committee as stipulated in Article 6 and approved by the General Meeting.

8. Any Member who uses the name or other resources of GASPPA to engage in activities against the aim and purpose of GASPPA or who is found in violation of the separately established Code of Ethics may be expelled from GASPPA by resolution of its General Meeting.

Steering Committee

Article 6. A Steering Committee shall be set up within GASPPA.

2. The members of the Steering Committee shall consist of Organizational Members. Each organization shall designate a representative to participate in the Steering Committee. If the designated representative is unable to attend a Steering Committee meeting, a substitute may be designated with the approval of the relevant organization.

3. The election of Steering Committee members requires approval by the General Meeting.

4. The term of office of Steering Committee member shall be two years. Reappointment of the Steering Committee members is permitted up to two consecutive terms.

5. The Steering Committee shall deliberate on the following matters concerning the operation of GASPPA and draw up resolution proposals. Proposed resolutions shall become effective upon approval by the General Meeting.

(1) Establishment or revision of these Articles, code of ethics/code of conduct, etc.

(2) Operating policy

(3) Activity policy, activity plan

General Meeting

Article 7. A General Meeting shall be set up to deliberate on important GASPPA matters.

2. The General Meeting shall consist of the Members as set forth in Article 5.

3. Sessions of the General Meeting shall be convened and chaired by the representative of GASPPA as specified in Article 8.

4. Matters on the General Meeting session agenda shall be resolved by a majority of the Members present, and in the event of a tie vote, they shall be resolved by the chair.

5. The General Meeting shall meet in principle once a year and when necessary, shall hold an extraordinary session.

6. The General Meeting shall hold a session to achieve the aim of Article 3 and to vote on important matters for approval.

7. If a Member becomes unable to attend a General Meeting session due to unavoidable circumstances, that Member shall be added to the number of attendees by submitting a letter of proxy or a written vote.

8. Voting rights granted to Members at General Meeting sessions shall be as listed below. Individuals who belong to an organization registered with GASPPA as an Organizational Member shall not be allowed to have voting rights as an Individual Member.

- (1) Individual Members: one vote per individual
- (2) Organizational Members: three votes per organization

Representative

Article 8. GASPPA shall appoint a Representative.

2. The Representative shall be elected by mutual vote among the Organizational Members at the General Meeting session.
3. The Representative shall represent GASPPA and oversee the operational affairs of GASPPA.
4. In the case of the absence or disability of the Representative, the person designated in advance by the Representative shall act on his/her behalf.
5. The term of office of the Representative shall be until a new Representative is elected at the next General Meeting session, and reappointment shall not be precluded.

Subcommittees

Article 9. Subcommittees may be set up within the organization of GASPPA.

2. Subcommittees shall consist of persons appointed by the Representative.
3. Subcommittees shall carry out projects that contribute to the objectives of Article 3, as well as conduct surveys and research on such projects.

Secretariat

Article 10. A Secretariat shall be set up within the Hiroshima Organization for Global Peace (abbreviated as HOPE) to handle the administrative affairs of GASPPA.

2. The Secretariat shall have an Executive Director.
3. The Executive Director of the Secretariat shall be a permanent member of the Steering Committee stipulated in Article 6.

Expenses

Article 11. Expenses for the operation of the Secretariat (ordinary expenses) and expenses for holding meetings and campaigns (extraordinary expenses) shall be determined separately.

Sources and Mode of accepting Funds

Article 12. Funding can be taken by Businesses, Corporates, organizations and individuals. Funding will only be accepted by GASPPA from the donor via wire transaction and by the legitimate source. No fund will be accepted by GASPPA in any form if the source of the fund is misleading or missing. All funds received shall be in the

name of GASPPA, no other individual or member will be allowed to accept any kind of funding from any individual or an organization or a company. In order to ensure its transparency, the annual treasure's report shall be reported at the General Meeting.

Usage of Funds

Article 13. All the received funds will be used only for the development, traveling and promotion of GASPPA. Any misuse of funds by any member of GASPPA will lead to the termination of membership from GASPPA and GASPPA can also take all the legal steps against that member.

Supplementary Provisions

Article 14. These Articles may be amended by resolution of the General Meeting.

Article 15. Other than those provided for in these Articles, any matters necessary for the operation of GASPPA shall be determined by the Steering Committee.

Additional Rule

These Articles shall come into force as of March 8, 2023.