

Association of Spanish Researchers in Norway – IENO/SFNO

STATUTES

§ 1 Name

Spanish: Asociación de investigadores españoles en Noruega (IENO)

Norwegian: Spanske Forskere i Norge (SFNO)

§ 2 Objectives

- Serve as a professional and support network for people of Spanish nationality who live in Norway and whose work or studies are related to research activities.
- Promote communication between members of the Spanish and Norwegian scientific communities and the institutions in which they are included.
- Promote the collaboration between Spanish research community in Norway and the Spanish and Norwegian scientific and business environments.
- Raise awareness among Spanish society and institutions of the importance of research for the development of Spain.
- Spread the scientific activity of the members of the association.

§ 3 Character

IENO is an independent and non-profit association for people of Spanish nationality whose professional activity or education is related to any kind of research.

§ 4 Activities

The Association will organize, alone or in collaboration with other entities, activities designed to meet its objectives, such as:

- Conferences
- Meetings
- Courses
- Scientific dissemination conferences
- Meetings with associations of scientists.

§ 5 Members

Members may be of four types:

- Full members: Persons of Spanish nationality residing in Norway whose work or education is related to research. Unemployed researchers will be considered full members. Full members will pay an annual fee established in the General Assembly.
- Associate members: Members who do not meet any of the requirements to be a full member.
- Honorary Members: People who have made an exceptional contribution to the Association. These members will have all the privileges of the full membership, but they will not have to pay the annual fee.
- Corporate members: Companies or for-profit societies that have an interest in collaborating in activities of the Association.

§ 6 General Assembly

- It is the supreme organ of the Association.
- It will meet once a year after being convened by the Board one month in advance.
- All full members may participate in it.
- The decision-making process will be carried out by simple majority, except in the cases indicated in the internal regulations.
- The vote may be delegated to another full member.

§ 7 Extraordinary Assembly

It may be called when the Board considers it convenient or when at least one fifth of the full members request it. The Extraordinary Assemblies will follow the same regulations as the General Assemblies, but the Board may call it ten days in advance.

§ 8 Board

- It is the executive organ of the Association.
- Will be elected by the General Assembly for a term of two years.
- Only full members may be members of the Board.
- It will meet at least 3 times a year.
- The quorum to take resolutions will be at least half of its members, being essential that one of them is the President or Vice President.

- The components of the Board will be:

The President: Main representative of the Association, will provide the necessary leadership to ensure that its objectives are met.

The Vice President: Will assist the President in his duties and replace him/her in his/her absence, in which case he/she will hold the powers of the President.

The Secretary: Will be responsible for ensuring the proper functioning of the Association and compliance with the Statutes and Internal Regulations.

The Treasurer: Will take care of the funds of the Association and will keep the account of expenses and deposits in the bank account.

The Vocal-Director of communication: Will take care of the advertising of the activities of the Association both in the press and in social networks.

Delegation Directors: They will be in charge of organizing activities to promote the objectives of the Association in their region.

§ 9 Changes and amendments to the Statutes

Any proposal to change these Statutes will be included in the agenda and must be presented to the members of the Association in General or Extraordinary Assembly. The decision will require a 2/3 majority of the votes cast.

§ 10 Dissolution

The dissolution of the Association will be included in the agenda and will be decided in the General Assembly. The decision will require a 2/3 majority of the votes cast. The dissolution decision will include instructions on the liquidation of available funds.