

## Change to the Confederation’s Articles of Association

As part of the changes and modernisation of the Confederation it was identified that the Mission Statement did not properly reflect the objectives and motivations of the Association. After taking feedback from members, Panel members and the Management Board the following Mission statement has been developed:

*To strengthen the global youth travel industry through research, education, advocacy and new business opportunities.*

This mission statement needs to be incorporated into our Articles of Association.

In addition, to reinforce our ‘not for profit’ status under Dutch tax legislation, we have been advised to make some additional changes to our Articles. The changes are:

In Article 3.1 to add the words “to act in the interest of public benefit”.

Change Article 28.4 as outlined below.

Article 3. Objects. - Current	Article 3. Objects. - Proposed
<p><b>3.1</b> The objects of the Association are to contribute to the personal and professional growth of students and young people and to generate positive impact on global community by fostering international understanding, education, cultural exchange and responsible international travel, by way of:</p>	<p><b>3.1</b> The objects of the Association are to act in the interest of the public benefit and to <i>strengthen the global youth travel industry through research, education, advocacy and new business opportunities</i> by way of:</p>
<p><b>a.</b> promoting educational, cultural and social travel among students and young people;  <b>b.</b> promoting international education, student travel and youth travel as a force for international understanding;  <b>c.</b> promoting the unique social and economic values of international education, youth travel and student travel to governments, relevant national and international organisations and to the travel industry;</p>	<p>a. promoting educational, cultural and social travel among students and young people by growing a global network of reliable, knowledgeable and responsive suppliers;  b. researching the business size and value of youth and student travel in order to represent it as a vital segment of travel as a whole;  c. researching the youth travel consumer market to establish the trends and motivations and aspirations of young travellers;</p>

<p>d. responding to the challenges of changing market and industry forces and the growing demand for international education, youth travel and student travel;</p> <p>e. promoting the development of international education, youth travel and student travel organisations in countries where they do not exist and to help strengthen such organisations in countries where development is limited;</p> <p>f. engaging in advocacy to facilitate the movement of young travellers, students and cultural exchange participants;</p> <p>g. building a representative and diverse membership and to strengthen the voice of those promoting youth travel, student travel and international education;</p> <p>h. supporting the efforts of organisations and institutions whose specialised activities and services enable students and youth to experience the benefits of travel and international education; and</p> <p>i. performing all that is related to the above in the widest sense or may be conducive thereto.</p>	<p>d. providing industry education through research reports, webinars and educational topics presented at conferences and events;</p> <p>e. promoting international education, cultural exchange, student travel and youth travel as a force for international understanding;</p> <p>f. promoting the unique social and economic values of international education, cultural exchange, youth travel and student travel to governments, relevant national and international organisations and to the travel industry;</p> <p>g. promoting the development of international education, cultural exchange, youth travel and student travel organisations in countries where they do not exist and to help strengthen such organisations in countries where development is limited;</p> <p>h. engaging in advocacy to facilitate the movement of young travellers, students and cultural exchange participants;</p> <p>i. building a representative and diverse membership and to strengthen the voice of those promoting youth travel, cultural exchange, student travel and international education;</p> <p>j. promoting business opportunities at events by developing a trading environment of buyers and sellers plus service providers relevant to the growth and advancement of the youth travel market;</p> <p>k. performing all that is related to the above in the widest sense or may be conducive thereto.</p>
<p>Article 28. Objects. - Current</p>	<p>Article 28. Objects. - Proposed</p>
<p><b>28.4</b> The surplus remaining after liquidation will be distributed to purposes furthering the interests of international education and the youth and student travel community. However by the resolution to dissolve the Association another purpose may be given to the surplus.</p>	<p><b>28.4</b> The Management Board shall determine the allocation of the balance of the liquidation; the liquidation proceeds shall be paid to a public benefit organization (<i>algemeen nut beogende instelling</i>) with objects which correspond to the objects of the Association."</p>