



## **Constitution**

### **Name**

‘GLOBE Europe and Eurasia’ is the name used by the group of (assistant) Country Coordinators of the GLOBE Program in Europe and Eurasia.

## **Membership**

Membership to the board of GLOBE Europe and Eurasia is open to anybody who is active in the GLOBE program within the region Europe and Eurasia. This can be (assistant) CCs, scientists, teachers or anyone who can help to support and/or innovate the GLOBE program in the region; No more than two members of the board should be non CCs.

### **Aims**

Within the GLOBE Programme in Europe and Eurasia, GLOBE Europe and Eurasia aims to increase the number of participating teachers and schools and increase the activities of teachers and schools. For that GLOBE Europe and Eurasia:

1. Develops joint projects and collaborations between schools and countries;
2. Develops the involvement of European scientists;
3. Supports the infrastructure of CCs across Europe and Eurasia .

## **Operation**

GLOBE Europe and Eurasia has three bodies for taking action: (1) the Board (BEG), (2) the GLOBE Regional Meeting (RM) and (3) the Regional Coordination Office (RCO).

### **1. Board (BEG)**

The Board for Europe and Eurasia GLOBE CCs (known as ‘BEG’) exists of:

- A Chair with the following responsibilities:
  - Representing the Board at the RM (and other meetings);
  - Be the chair of the RM;
  - First contact for RCO and GLOBE Implementation Office (GIO);
  - Leading the board to make sure that the responsibilities as mentioned below are executed;
- A deputy Chair;
- General members of which at least one representative that is not coming from an EU country.

### Board elections

- Membership of BEG is open to any member of GLOBE Europe and Eurasia;
- There is one vote for every country. This vote can only come from the (assistant) country coordinator;
- Voting is secret;
- New members are added to the Board after an election. Those with the biggest number of votes are elected;
- If two persons at the 6th position have the same number of votes there is a new election for those two members;
- BEG Members are elected for a period of two years (= 1 mandate). After these two years they can be nominated for a new mandate;
- There is no maximum to the amount of mandates that a member can be re-elected;
- The maximum amount of BEG members is 6. Of these 6 member preferably 3 (but at least 2) should be experienced members. This means that they are at least in second mandate (more than 2 years of experience);
- A call for nominations is sent to CCs in advance by the chair of the BEG at least 3 weeks before the Regional Meeting (RM). Members can nominate up to 3 persons in advance or during the conference(RM) and explain why those persons should be in the Board (it is possible to nominate her/himself too);
- A Committee for elections (2 or 3 persons who are not among nominees) is established upon the recommendation from the Board;
- At the first day of the RM, nominees are presented to the audience
- If the nominee is not present at the RM the Committee for elections should have their written acceptance (e-mail is acceptable).
- The Board will elect a Chair and a Co-chair to serve for two year period.

The BEG will be responsible for taking forward and developing the aims of GLOBE Europe and Eurasia, including:

- Attend monthly Skype meetings organized by the RCO;
- Proposing any changes to the Constitution and Rules for BEG if needed;
- Provide support and advise RCO;
- Active involvement in the RM agenda and the planning process;
- Being present at the RM (if not present without proper reason the board member cannot be re-elected for the next year if not present at the GAC);
- Review Constitution during the second meeting after RM

## 2. GLOBE Regional Meetings (RM)

All members are entitled to attend the RM and take part in all activities. The RM will aim to operate by consensus, but in any voting decision each country will have one vote. The RM will also determine the size of the Board and elect its members. Any CC unable to attend the RM can pass a proxy vote on any issue to the current Chair in advance of the meeting. The RM may exist of a strategic part and a training part. These include the following goals:

### Strategic:

- Circulating best practices among participants;
- Formulating priorities for the region for the coming year;
- Investigating opportunities for new regional projects, funding and partners;
- Determining the topic of next years training when it is needed;
- Determining the location of next years RM.

### Professional development training:

- Based on the priorities as approved in the strategic part, there will be a training session for GLOBE trainers every year.

## 3. Regional Coordination Office (RCO)

The responsibilities of the RCO are to:

- Perform the tasks as described in the statement of work as issued by GIO;
- Support the BEG;
- Circulate the date of the Regional Meeting at least three months in advance and the agenda at least one month in advance;
- Communicate regularly with CCs, BEG, GIO, WGs and all other GLOBE members in the region.

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