

# STATUTES OF



***BALKAN ATHLETICS***



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at the session held on 28.11.2023. year, the BA Congress adopted amendments to the Statute, i.e. the revised text:

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## I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

### Article 1.

The Balkan Athletics (hereinafter: BA) is a sports association of the following:

- athletic federations from the territory of the Balkans
- athletic federations that are not from the territory of the Balkans
- professional associations in the field of athletics,
- Non-governmental organizations that accept this Statute.

### Article 2.

The name of the organization is: **Balkan Athletics**

The abbreviated name of the organization is: BA

The headquarters of the BA is located in the country of birth of the president of the BA, who currently holds the office of president.

The seat of BA is in Belgrade.

The official language of Balkan Athletics is English.

### Article 3.

BA is a non-political, non-governmental and non-profit association, which resolutely rejects all forms of racial, religious or political discrimination among its members, founded for an indefinite period to achieve goals in the field of athletics in the Balkans and beyond.

BA is a legal entity with rights, obligations and responsibilities established by the Law on Sports of the Republic of Serbia and this Statute.

### Article 4.

BA has a seal, logo, flag and other symbols approved by the BA Congress.

BA has a round stamp on which the upper half reads: Balkan Athletics in serbian language, the lower half the name of the Association in English (Balkan Athletics), and in the middle the seat of the Association (Beograd).

BA has a trademark that contains the letters B and A (the letter A is in the shape of an athletics track).

### Article 5.

BA's work is public.

The publicity of the work is ensured in accordance with the provisions of this Statute.

### **Article 6.**

The BA recognizes, accepts, applies, respects and adheres to the current Statute, BA Rules and Regulations, WA and European Athletics Rules and Regulations, as well as any future amendments to them. This particularly applies to Anti-doping rules, handling disputes and relations with representatives of athletes (athletic managers).

The BA can become a member of international organizations, when it is of interest for the realization of the goals and tasks of the BA.

## **II. A I M S O F B A**

### **Article 7.**

The main goals of BA are:

1. Development of athletics in the Balkans;
2. Ensuring the participation of athletic federations in events organized by the organization;
3. Strengthening mutual cooperation among the athletic federations that are members of the organization;
4. Arranges issues of common interest for members of the organization; represents their interests;
5. Plans and organizes international athletic competitions and athletic events in the Balkans and beyond;
6. Provides conditions for working on scientific research and development projects of importance for athletics, application of research results and organizes professional and scientific meetings in the Balkans;
7. Education of professional staff - referees and coaches.

In order to achieve its goals BA in particular:

1. Creates the necessary professional, material and infrastructural conditions for the development of athletics in the Balkans;
2. Develops criteria, plans and organizes the participation of athletes from athletic federations that are members of the organization;
3. Ensures compliance and application of international norms, rules, standards and protection measures in athletics;
4. Provides funds for the realization of planned tasks;
5. Uses funds from development and other funds, international sports and other organizations and other aid and donations;
6. Undertakes appropriate activities for the promotion and popularization of athletics in the Balkans and monitoring and introducing its members to international experiences in the field of athletics;
7. Organizes and provides professional assistance to its members in improving their work;
8. Organizes the innovation of the knowledge of personnel in athletics, especially managers and professional workers;
9. Works to strengthen sports morals and sports spirit and Olympic principles among its members and establishes rules of conduct in their mutual relations;

10. subsidizes the organizers of the Balkan Championships in accordance with the adopted financial plan, as well as the criteria for the organization of the Balkan Championships;

11. Encourages the work of its members by awarding prizes and awards (annual, jubilee, etc.) for exceptional athletic results and for contributing to the development and improvement of athletics in the Balkans.

### **III. BA MEMBERS AND THEIR RIGHTS, OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **Article 8.**

BA has the following types of members:

- 1) regular members,
- 2) associate members,
- 3) honorary members.

Regular members:

1. Athletic federations from the territory of the Balkans, as well as athletic federations that are not originally from the territory of the Balkans.

Associate Members:

2. Organizations in the field of athletics and other non-governmental organization in order to improve the organization.

Honorary member:

An honorary member can be, by decision of the BA Congress and on the proposal of the BA Council, a person who has special merits for the work of the BA or whose membership in the BA is of special interest for the achievement of the goals of the BA.

#### **Article 9.**

The rights and obligations of BA members are to:

1. Within the framework of the BA, they initiate and consider all issues related to the activities of the BA with the aim of improving athletics on the territory of the Balkans;
2. Directly or through their representatives in the BA and In forms of organization and work in the BA, give proposals, suggestions and opinions in order to make appropriate decisions, conclusions, etc. and to seek the intervention of the BA with the competent international sports authorities in order to protect the interests of athletics in the Balkans;
3. Initiate, propose and decide on the establishment of forms of organization and work in BA;
4. Use professional and other assistance, as well as services provided by BA within the scope of their activities;
5. Propose their representatives in the bodies and forms of organization and work in BA;
6. Regularly pay the BA membership fee and ensure the conditions for the efficient operation of the BA;

7. Foster and respect sports morals (fair play) and sportsmanship in their mutual relations;
8. Cooperate with each other in order to achieve the goals and tasks regulated by the Statute, other acts of the BA and decisions of the BA bodies;
9. Participate in professional activities of BA;
10. Gain insight into the work of the BA and its bodies;
11. Participate in determining the BA work plan and program;
12. Fulfill the obligations established by the Statute and other general acts of BA.

### **Article 10.**

An organization becomes a regular or associate member of the BA if:

1. sign the application form;
2. together with the application form, submit the member's Statute in accordance with the Statute of the BA;
3. to make a statement that he fully accepts the Statute and other general acts of BA;
4. pay the annual membership fee, in the amount determined by the decision of the Council;
5. Meets the BA criteria for joining the BA membership.

BA membership criteria:

1. Existence of a licensed athletic track according to WA rules on the territory of a BA member;

The decision on admission for a regular and associate member is made by the Council of the BA, and for honorary member need to be approved by the BA Congress.

The decision on the submitted request is made within 60 days from the date of submission of complete documentation to the BA office.

In the event that a member does not meet the above-mentioned criteria, he can only become a member of the BA after fulfillment of the criteria.

### **Article 11.**

BA membership can be ended when:

1. Upon termination of the member's work;
2. At the written request of the member;
3. Not renewing the certificate for the athletic track in accordance with WA rules;
4. By the decision of the competent body of BA.

Members of the BA can withdraw from the BA after the decision of the Competent Authority of the BA member, which must be submitted to the Office of the BA.

Exclusion from membership can only be brought by the BA Assembly, by a majority vote of the delegates present.

## **Article 12.**

A member of the BA is responsible for his obligations to the BA that arose before the termination of the status of a member of the BA.

Upon termination of membership of the BA, the right to compete on Balkan Championships, and to organize athletic competitions under the auspices of the BA also ceases.

## **IV. ATHLETIC SPORTS COMPETITIONS**

### **Article 13.**

BA manages the competition system, is the organizer of athletic competitions from the BA competition program together with the host member BA, and is the controller (verifier) of athletic competitions organized by BA.

### **Article 14.**

Only regular BA members can participate in the BA competition program.

### **Article 15.**

The BA determines the rules and conditions for organizing athletic sports competitions on the territory of the Balkans and beyond and participating in them in accordance with the rules of the BA, EA and WA.

### **Article 16.**

The organizer of athletic competitions is obliged to ensure its smooth and safe maintenance, and take measures prescribed by law and BA rules.

An athletic competition can be organized if the organizer has secured the conditions stipulated by the rules of BA in terms of facilities, that is, space, equipment, professional and other workers, in accordance with the rules of EA and WA.

## **V. STRUCTURE OF BA**

### **Article 17.**

BA is managed by its members through their representatives in BA bodies and BA organizational forms.

### **Article 18.**

The bodies of BA are:

1. Congress
2. Council
3. Supervisory Board
4. The President
5. two vice-presidents
6. General Secretary

## **1. BA Congress**

### **Article 19.**

The Congress is the highest governing body of BA.

### **Article 20.**

Members of the BA Congress can delegate a maximum of one delegate to the BA Congress. Each BA member has the same rights, ie one federation, one vote.

As a rule, the Congress of the BA is held every year, at a time determined by the President of the BA.

The draft minutes from the previous session of the BA Congress are sent to the BA members in the form of material no later than 15 days before the BA Congress.

### **Article 21.**

The BA Congress consists of:

One BA Member Federations, who appoints the delegates who represent the Federations at the Congress.

### **Article 22.**

Honorary members of the BA are invited to attend the sessions of the Congress, participate in the work of the Congress, but do not vote during voting.

### **Article 23.**

The member participates in the work of the BA and in decision-making in the bodies of the BA through its representatives.

The BA member will appoint a person who will represent the BA member at the Congress, and will submit this information to the BA office no later than 15 days before the Congress.

### **Article 24.**

Members of the BA Congress, when making decisions, are obliged to respect the interests of the BA as a whole.

### **Article 25.**

The BA Congress decides on:

1. adoption, that is, amendments and additions to the BA statute;
2. adoption of the Rules of Procedure of the BA Congress;
3. adoption of the BA Work Program,
4. adoption of financial and acceptance of audit reports;
5. adoption of the BA Final Account
6. status changes;
7. association in the international sports organizations;

8. termination of BA;
9. The athletics development program and adopts an action plan for its implementation;
10. other issues determined by law and BA statute.

The BA Congress elects and resolves:

1. the president of BA, vice-presidents and members of the Council of BA,
2. General Secretary of BA.

The Congress can form commissions and other working bodies to perform certain tasks.

The decision on the formation of the commission determines its scope and composition.

### **Article 26.**

The Congress of BA works in sessions and is convened as needed, at least once a year.

The Congress of the BA is convened by the President of the BA.

The Extraordinary Congress of the BA must be convened at the request of the Council, the Supervisory Board, or at least 1/3 of the members of the Congress of the BA.

Convening of the Extraordinary Congress of the BA can be requested by one third of the members of the Congress with the proposal of the agenda, and if the competent body of the BA does not convene the session of the Extraordinary Congress, it can be convened by those members of the sports association who requested its convening.

The extraordinary Congress must be convened no later than 15 days from the date of submission of the formal request for holding the extraordinary Congress of the BA, with the provision that no more than 30 days may elapse between the submission of the proper request for the holding of the Extraordinary Congress and the holding of the Congress of the BA.

### **Article 27.**

The work of the BA Congress is managed by the working presidency, which consists of the BA president and two members of the working presidency.

The president and vice-presidents of the BA have the right to vote in decision-making in the Congress of the BA, only if they are members of the Congress of the BA.



## **Article 28.**

The Congress can decide on the election of BA bodies if the majority of the total number of members of the Congress is present ( $1/2 + 1$ ), and decisions are made by the majority of members present ( $1/2 + 1$ ).

The decision of the Congress on the adoption and amendments to the statute is made by the majority of votes ( $1/2 + 1$ ) of the total number of members of the Congress

The decision of the Congress on status changes and termination of BA is made by a two-thirds majority ( $2/3 + 1$ ) of the total number of Congress members.

## **Article 29.**

The work of the Congress is governed by the Rules of Procedure of the BA Congress.

## **2. BA COUNCIL**

### **Article 30.**

The Council of the BA is the governing body of the BA.

### **Article 31.**

The Council has 5 members.

The President of the BA is ex officio the President of Council of the BA.

### **Article 32.**

Members of the BA Council are:

1. President of BA
2. Two vice-presidents
3. Two members of the Council of BA.

Members of the BA Council can also be:

1. Honorary member

An honorary member can be, by decision of the BA Council and on the proposal of the BA President, vicepresident, or Council member, or general secretary, a person who has special merits for the work of the BA or the person with special interest for the achievement of the goals of the BA Council.

The Honorary member of the BA Council participates in the work of the Council, without voting right.

The General Secretary of the BA participates in the work of the Council, without voting right.

Members are elected and resolved by the BA Congress.

Members of the Council are proposed by the elected president of the BA, which must be supported by the federation of which it is a part.

Members of the Council can also be nominated by BA members.

### **Article 33.**

Members of the BA Council are elected for a period of four years and may be re-elected.

### **Article 34.**

The term of office of a member of the BA Council ends before the end of the term for which he was elected:

1. if he resigns;
2. if he is recalled by the Congress of the BA for non-compliance with the Statute and other acts of the BA, that is, for irregular attendance at the meetings of the Council;
3. if he dies;
4. who have been convicted of crimes against business, property and official duties, as well as for the following crimes: aggravated murder, aggravated theft, robbery, robbery, evasion, fraud, unjustified use of loans and other benefits, extortion, blackmail and racketeering, enabling the use of doping agents, unauthorized production and placing on the market of doping agents, violent behavior at a sports event or public meeting and fixing the outcome of the competition, while the legal consequences of the conviction last.

### **Article 35.**

BA Council:

1. determines the proposal of the Statute of the BA and the proposals of general acts passed by the Congress of the BA, work program of the BA and the proposal of the financial plan of the BA;
2. Adopts general acts of the BA, the adoption of which is not within the competence of the Congress of the BA, namely:
  - Rulebook on measures for the prevention and prevention of doping,
  - Rulebook on disciplinary and material responsibility,
  - Rulebook on the organization of BA,
  - Rules of Procedure,
  - Rulebook on the systematization of jobs in BA,
  - Rulebook on keeping the book of BA members,
  - BA health regulations,
  - Rulebook on awards and recognitions,
  - Criteria for proposing representatives in international athletic organizations (EA and WA),
  - and other normative acts.
3. decides on admission of membership in BA;
4. determines the program of international sports cooperation and international competitions;
5. adopts the Calendar and Championship regulations and the Rulebook on doping control and supervises of athletic competitions at the level of the Balkans;

6. decides on the venue of BA competitions organized by the BA and the immediate organizer of the competition;
7. proposes candidates for election to the bodies of international athletic organizations, who have previously met the adopted criteria.
8. awards and recognitions of the BA;
9. adopts development and scientific research projects;
10. assigns subsidies for the organization of competitions;
11. performs other activities from BA activities that are not within the scope Congress of BA.

The Council can form commissions and working bodies to carry out certain tasks within its jurisdiction. The decision on the formation of the commission, i.e. the working body, determines its scope and composition.

Representatives of commissions and working bodies take part in the sessions of the Council, without the right to vote, when matters from their scope are on the agenda.

#### **Article 36.**

The Council works in sessions held as needed, at least 4 times a year.

The meetings of the Council are convened by the President of the BA.

The Council must be convened upon request:

- at least 3 (three) members of the Council,

#### **Article 37.**

The Council makes decisions by the majority of votes of the members present.

In order for a quorum to exist, it is necessary that at least 3 members of the council attend the session.

The Council adopts general acts within its jurisdiction by a majority of votes from the total number of members of the Council.

#### **Article 38.**

The work of the Council of the BA is governed by the Rules of Procedure of the Council of the BA.

### **3. BA Supervisory Board**

#### **Article 39.**

The Supervisory Board of the BA is the supervisory body of the BA that controls the legality of the work and financial operations of the BA and the annual financial reports.

#### **Article 40.**

The Congress of the BA elects the Supervisory Board of the BA, which has three members from the ranks of experts in the financial and legal fields.

Candidates for members of the Supervisory Board of the BA are proposed by the Working Presidency of the BA Congress at the election session of the Congress.

The term of office of the members of the BA Supervisory Board lasts 4 (four) years, i.e. it will end earlier:

- if a member resigns or dies,
- if the Electoral Congress of BA, regular or extraordinary, is held in less than 4 (four) years.

Members of the Supervisory Board cannot be members of any other BA body, permanent or temporary work body whose work and operations may be subject to supervision or control.

The BA Supervisory Board elects from this composition the chairman of the BA Supervisory Board.

#### **Article 41.**

The Supervisory Board of the BA submits to the Congress of the BA a report on issues within its scope at least once a year when adopting the report on the work of the BA and adopting the annual financial statements.

#### **Article 42.**

The Supervisory Board makes decisions by the majority of votes from the total number of members of the Supervisory Board.

The work of the Supervisory Board is governed by the Rules of Procedure of the Supervisory Board.

### **4. BA President**

#### **Article 43.**

The President of the BA is elected by the Congress of the BA.

A person nominated by the Council of the old convocation or at least 5 (five) members of the BA Congress can be nominated for the position of BA president.

Nominated person need to be supported by their own federation.

The President of BA is elected for a period of four years and can be re-elected to the same position.

The President of the BA is responsible for his work to the Congress of the BA.

#### **Article 44.**

BA President:

1. represents BA;
2. manages the work of the BA and coordinates the activities of the BA bodies;

3. determines proposals for general acts and decisions made by the Council;
4. together with the general secretary determines the plan, program and development of BA;
5. organizes, directs and coordinates cooperation with competent state authorities and other authorities and organizations;
6. achieves cooperation with international athletic federations (WA and EA);
7. implements the decisions and conclusions of the BA Congress;
8. He is the financial principal;
9. proposes the appointment of the General secretary of the BA;

The President of the BA can transfer certain powers from his scope to the General Secretary of the BA and other managers.

## **5. Vice-President of BA**

### **Article 45.**

The BA can have up to two vice-presidents elected by the BA Congress on the proposal of the BA president from among the members of the BA Council.

The number of BA vice-presidents is determined by the BA Congress, on the proposal of the BA president.

In the event that the president of the BA cannot exercise his powers, his duties will be taken over by one of the two vice-presidents, elected by the Council, who will exercise the powers of the president of the BA until the next election session.

## **6. General Secretary BA**

### **Article 46.**

The General Secretary of the BA is with the President of the BA, a legal representative of the BA.

The General Secretary performs duties related to the implementation of the decisions and conclusions of the BA authorities, is the principal for the execution of the BA financial plan and is responsible for the legality of the BA's work and operations.

General Secretary BA:

1. Represents BA in property and other legal matters;
2. organizes and controls the performance of professional work in BA and undertakes measures to improve these works;
3. takes care of the preparations for the meetings of the BA bodies and the execution of decisions and other acts of those bodies;
4. has the rights, powers and responsibilities of the management body of the organization, in accordance with the labor law and other regulations governing the employment relationship;
5. performs the duties transferred to him by the BA president;
6. participates in the work of BA bodies, without decision-making rights;
7. keeps records of competitions from the BA program;
8. informs BA members about all relevant decisions;
9. publishes bulletins and official results from all competitions from the BA program, and informs BA members about it via e-mail and the BA website;

10. keeps records of achieved records in competitions from the BA program;
11. closely cooperates with European and World Athletics;
12. is in charge of coordinating the Professional Services and the BA office;
13. performs other tasks in accordance with the Statute and other general acts of BA.

The General Secretary of the BA can transfer certain tasks from his scope to other persons.

#### **Article 47.**

The General Secretary of the BA is appointed on the proposal of the President of the BA.

A person who:

1. has a university degree;
2. has three years of work experience in higher education;
3. fluent in english;
4. has professional and organizational abilities to perform managerial tasks;
5. has experience in social and sports activities in athletics;
6. knows current problems and problems of the development of athletics in the Balkans and beyond.

#### **Article 48.**

The General Secretary of the BA is appointed for a period of four years and may be reappointed to the same position.

The General Secretary of the BA is responsible for his work to the Congress of the BA and the President of the BA.

#### **Article 49.**

In order to consider, monitor and efficiently perform certain professional tasks, the General Secretary of the BA can appoint advisors in the BA for certain professional areas.

### **VI. FORMS OF ORGANIZATION AND WORK IN BA**

#### **1. BA Expert Council**

##### **Article 50.**

An Expert Council can be established in BA, as a professional consultative body of the Council.

The Expert Council of the BA considers all professional issues of importance and interest for all members of the BA and gives an opinion on this to the Council the BA for the purpose of building positions and making decisions.

##### **Article 51.**

The members of the Expert Council of the BA are appointed by the Council of the BA on the proposal of the President of the Council of the BA.

The number of members, scope and method of work of the Expert Council of the BA is determined by a special decision of the Council of the BA.

## **2. Specialized services**

### **Article 52.**

In order to provide assistance and certain services to the members of the BA, certain specialized services (centers, schools, camps, etc.) can be established in the BA, with the aim of improving work in the field of athletics in the Balkans and beyond.

Specialized services are established by the Council of BA by special decision.

The scope and method of operation of specialized services is regulated by a general act, which is adopted by the Council of BA.

## **3. Commissions, working bodies and appointed persons**

### **Article 53.**

In order to ensure the functioning of athletic competitions in accordance with the general acts of the BA, in BA are formed, that is, appointed:

- BA Disciplinary Commission,
- Commission for awarding awards and recognitions
- Legal commission BA,
- And other commissions as needed.

The composition, number of members, the method of electing members and the president, the competences of the Commissions, the way of leading the Commission are determined by a special decision of the BA Council. The members of the Commission are appointed by the Council.

## **VII. HEALTH CONTROL**

### **Article 54.**

All athletes participating in the BA competition system are prohibited from using illegal stimulants in sports: stimulants, doping and drugs, both in and out of competition.

Doping means any illegal activity established by the Law on the Prevention of Doping in Sports.

Sports experts and experts in athletics are obliged to take active measures to suppress the use of illegal stimulants in sports, doping and drugs.

### **Article 55.**

The Council of the BA determines the program of anti-doping activities in accordance with the WADA laws and regulations and appoints the person responsible for supervising the implementation of measures for the prevention of doping.

For violation of anti-doping rules, appropriate measures are imposed on the responsible person, in accordance with the existing and established rules and norms.

## **VIII. PROFESSIONAL SERVICE OF THE BA**

### **Article 56.**

BA has a Professional Service to perform professional, administrative and auxiliary work.

BA can entrust the performance of certain tasks to appropriate professional individuals, institutions and organizations.

The professional service of the BA performs: tasks on the implementation of the Statute, decisions, conclusions and other acts of the bodies of the BA and forms of organization and work in the BA, prepares analyses, reports and information, drafts of general and other acts of the BA, organizes activities and executes tasks from the activities of the BA and performs other jobs.

### **Article 57.**

In carrying out its duties, the Professional Service of the BA cooperates with the professional services of the members of the BA.

The work of the Professional Service of the BA is managed jointly by the President and the General Secretary of the BA.

## **IX. FUNDS FOR WORK AND WORK FINANCING BA**

### **Article 58.**

Funds for BA's work are formed from contributions and membership fees of its members, from fees for services, income from own companies and organizations, contributions from donors and sponsors, subsidies, projects, funds from the budget and other sources in accordance with the sports Law of the Republic of Serbia.

### **Article 59.**

The amount, method of payment and payment terms of: contributions, membership fees, i.e. the allocation of subsidies to competition organizers are determined by the BA Council.

## **X. PUBLICITY OF BA**

### **Article 60.**

Publicity of the BA's work is ensured by publicizing the sessions of organs and bodies and other gatherings in the BA, issuing information about their work and cooperation with the media and other means of information.

BA can have its own newsletter. The name and content of the newsletter is determined by the Council.



### **Article 61.**

BA authorities and bodies may exclude or limit the public of the session or meeting, when documents or data of a confidential nature are considered.

### **Article 62.**

The BA regularly informs its members and the public about the decisions, positions and proposals adopted at the meetings of organs and bodies and other gatherings in the BA, and current events in athletics, through means of public information or issuing special information and newsletters.

### **Article 63.**

The representative of BA who provides data and information related to the work of BA is responsible for their accuracy.

The positions of the BA, that is, its organs and bodies, can only be expressed and represented by the elected officials of the BA.

## **XI. GENERAL ACTS OF BA**

### **Article 64.**

The general acts of the BA are the Statute of the BA, regulations, rules of procedure, development and strategic plans and programs, recommendations, positions, guidelines and the like, which are adopted by the bodies and forms of organization and work in the BA in the performance of their duties.

### **Article 65.**

The initiative for the adoption of the Statute of the BA, i.e. for its amendments and additions, can be given by the Council, the Supervisory Board, the President of the BA, the General Secretary of the BA, the members of the BA.

The BA Council considers the initiative for adoption of the Statute, i.e. its amendments, within 30 days from the date of submission of the initiative. If it accepts the initiative, the Council determines the Draft Statute, i.e. the Draft of amendments and additions to the Statute and organizes a public debate among BA members. The public debate lasts 15 days from the day the materials are submitted for debate.

Within 15 days from the end of the discussion, the Council of the BA determines the proposal of the Statute, i.e. amendments and additions to the Statute of the BA and submits it to the Congress of the BA for adoption.

In extremely urgent cases, the Council of the BA may decide, by a majority of the total number of members, to propose to the Congress of BA the adoption of amendments to the Statute by an urgent procedure, without holding a public debate, in which case the proposal for amendments to the Statute shall be

submitted to the members of the Congress of the BA at the latest with the invitation to the Congress session.

#### **Article 66.**

The Supervisory Board, the President of the BA, the General Secretary of the BA, and the members of the BA can initiate the adoption of general acts within the competence of the BA Council.

#### **Article 67.**

The general acts of the BA members must be in accordance with the general acts of the BA. In case of inconsistency between the provisions of the general act of the BA member and the provision of the general act of the BA, the provision of the general act of the BA shall be applied directly.

#### **Article 68.**

In case of inconsistency between the BA general act and this Statute, the provisions of the BA Statute shall apply.

### **XII. TERMINATION OF BA**

#### **Article 69.**

The BA ceases to operate under the conditions established by the Law of the country on whose territory the BA has its seat.

The decision on the termination of the BA is made by the Congress of the BA, when previously  $\frac{3}{4}$  (three quarters) of the members of the BA from the total number of registered members of the BA declare in writing for the termination of the BA.

### **XIII. TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS**

#### **Article 70.**

The BA's general acts will be harmonized with the provisions of this Statute within six months from the date of entry into force of the BA's Statute.

#### **Article 71.**

Members of BA are obliged to start the process of membership in BA, within 30 days from the day of adoption of this Statute.

#### **Article 72.**

BA is a legal successor of the ASSOCIATION OF BALKAN ATHLETIC FEDERATIONS (ABAF) and in legal transactions with third parties assumes all rights, obligations and responsibilities of ABAF.

#### **Article 73.**

With the entry into force of this Statute, the ABAF Statute, which was adopted by the ABAF Congress at the session held on September 24, 2015, ceases to be valid.

**Article 74.**

This Statute enters into force 8 days after its publication on the official website of BA.

President of the BA,  
Slobodan Branković

