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Agreement of Cooperation between the United Nations Association of Germany and the United Nations Youth Association Germany

Preamble

The similar aims and activities of the United Nations Youth Association Germany (UNYA) and the United Nations Association of Germany (UNA) merit a special relationship between these two organisations. In the past they have cooperated successfully in the context of the German UN Youth Delegate Programme. In order to provide a solid future basis for close bonds and forms of cooperation between these associations both have negotiated an understanding, which remains valid even after the accession of UNYA Germany to UNA Germany as an institutional member. The understanding is laid out in this Agreement of Cooperation. In 2009 UNYA Germany and UNA Germany will evaluate the Agreement and decide about its continuation and possible changes.

Agreement about the cooperation between UNYA and UNA Germany

§ 1

The organisations agree that the UNYA is labelled "UNYA Germany-Partner Organisation of UNA Germany" to provide for a uniform public communication of the special relationship between the UNYA and the UNA.

§ 2

The United Nations Youth Association Germany, a network operating on the national level, becomes a member institution of the National Chapter of the United Nations Association of Germany. Member organisations of UNYA Germany that are institutional members of UNA Germany or wish to become members will be administered according to their seat, i.e. as members of the UNA Regional Chapters, wherever these exist. The UNYA promotes UNA membership among individuals and among its organisations wherever possible.



§ 3

In order to ensure continual communication between the UNA and the UNYA the following communication modes are established:

- a) UNA Members may participate in the UNYA Assemblies of Delegates if they wish to do so. The Youth Consultant of the UNA participates in these assemblies on a regular basis, in order to provide for continual communication between the UNYA and the UNA Secretariat. The President of UNA Germany or a UNA board member representing him/her can participate in the UNYA Assemblies of Delegates to provide for a continual communication between the UNYA and the UNA board.
- b) The National Board of UNA Germany aims at putting "youth" on the agenda of each of its board meetings. Under this agenda topic the board can discuss the cooperation with the UNYA, the development of the German UN Youth Delegate Programme as well as the development of projects within the working groups of the UNYA. The two spokespersons of the UNYA are invited to all board meetings as permanent guests. The spokespersons can suggest inviting one of the heads of the UNYA's working groups (§ 13 (3) of the UNYA constitution) to the board meetings, if the UNYA wishes to inform the UNA board about the work of one of its working groups. To this end, the UNYA spokespersons and heads of UNYA working groups receive travel grants from the UNA.
- c) The spokespersons of the UNYA, the President and the Secretary-General of the UNA meet at least once a year. Furthermore, the spokespersons and heads of the UNYA's working groups (§ 13 (3) of the UNYA constitution) can consult with the President and the Secretary-General of the UNA at any time about issues that are dealt within the UNYA and have relevance to the work of the UNA.
- d) When youth issues or youth work are to be discussed within bodies of the UNA, the spokespersons of the UNYA are informed at an early stage and are invited to make a statement, together with the heads of the UNYA working groups, where appropriate.

§ 4

In accordance with the UNA constitution the UNYA has one vote at General Meetings of the UNA as an institutional member of the UNA. However, the UNYA can delegate the same number of participants to the General Meetings as the number of its member organisations.



§ 5

UNA Germany supports the UNYA within its capacities next to the German UN Youth Delegate Programme.

§ 6

The UNYA supports the UNA in the annual selection procedure of the German Youth Delegates to the UN General Assembly by advertising the positions nation-wide and by delegating members of the written and oral selection committees. The UNA reimburses travel and accommodations costs according to § 13 a).

§ 7

The UNYA supports the German UN Youth Delegate Programme of the UNA by encouraging its member organisations to host some of the tours on the National Tour of the German Youth Delegates.

§ 8

The UNYA is accorded the powers of the German UN Youth Association according to Rule 4, Rules of Procedure of the World Federation of United Nations Associations- Youth (WFUNA-Youth), the according Rules of Procedure can be found in the annex to this Agreement. The UNA and the UNYA cooperate in raising the necessary funds to enable participation of up to two delegates in the triannual General Meetings of WFUNA-Youth.

§ 9

The UNA and the UNYA help each other in advertising each other's events in public. The websites of the organisations refer to the cooperation between the two organisations. Furthermore they support each other in events and campaigns that suggest cooperation, even if they are not on the regular agenda of cooperation. Individual members of UNYA member organisations are invited to participate in events of the UNA, independent of their individual membership in the UNA.

§ 10

The UNA and the UNYA aim at appearing together in public, wherever appropriate.



§ 11

The UNA and the UNYA support each other within their capacities when looking for speakers and they arrange contacts for each other.

§ 12

The UNA and the UNYA cooperate in supporting university students and young scholars who engage in UN research.

§ 13

a) The UNA supports the work of the UNYA through travel and accommodation grants. The following activities can be supported:

- Travels of UNYA delegates to meetings of UNA bodies and UNA symposia,
- Travels in the context of the German UN Youth Delegate Programme and the work of the UNYA's working groups,
- Travels with the aim of improving cooperation between the UNYA's member organisations,
- Travels with the aim of networking with other United Nations Youth Associations or Youth Sections of United Nations Associations.

This list is not conclusive. Grants must be cleared with the UNA General Secretariat before the journey starts. The UNA board decides on the total volume of grants.

b) With the adoption of this agreement the UNA supports the UNYA's Assemblies of Delegates with an annual budget of € 800 for the years 2008 and 2009.

§ 14

The UNA and the UNYA coordinate and support each other in raising external funds for UN youth projects in order to ensure the best possible financial endowment for both organisations.



§ 15

Both organisations aim at conducting common annual activities next to the continuation and further development of the German UN Youth Delegate Programme.

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For more information about the Agreement of Cooperation between UNYA and UNA Germany please contact the spokespersons of UNYA Germany via sprecher@junges-uno-netzwerk.de or the Youth Consultant of UNA Germany via jugendreferat@dgvn.de



Annex- Extract from the Rules of Procedure of the World Federation of United Nations Associations Youth - (WFUNA-Youth)

Rule 4: UNAs and UN Youth Associations in WFUNA-Youth

- (1)** A UNA can transfer its rights and responsibilities outlined in the following rules to the national UN Youth Association if such an organisation exists in the respective country. It informs the WFUNA-youth Coordinating Committee of such a decision.

Rule 5: Membership in WFUNA-Youth

- (1)** Membership in WFUNA-youth is open only to UNAs. Rule 4 applies to this regulation.