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Association "Equal Opportunities" in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine

RULES
of the Inter-Factional Parliamentary
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These Rules define the purpose, major objectives and principles, organizational structure, relationships, rights and obligations of members, the order of entry and exit of the Inter-Factional Parliamentary Association "Equal Opportunities" in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine (hereinafter – the Association)

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1. The purpose of the Association

Equal representation of women and men in public administration is an indicator of democracy and respect for basic civil liberties.

One of the requirements of the European Community is to ensure gender balance and respect for the equal rights of men and women in accordance with the Amsterdam protocol in 1999, according to which gender equality is seen as one of the most urgent tasks for the EU. Ukraine ratified the UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, and signed the Millennium Declaration, which defines the areas of human development in 2015, including gender equality. The state has committed to take all measures to achieve a balanced level of representation of women and men in representative bodies and management levels of the executive branch.

1.1. Inter-factional deputies of promoting gender equality "Equal Opportunity" (hereinafter - the Association) is a voluntary association of people's deputies of Ukraine, representing different factions of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, formed to improve the status of women in society, enhance social dialogue to ensure gender equality in different spheres of political life.

1.2. Union is guided by the Constitution of Ukraine and laws of Ukraine, the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine Regulation, Regulation of inter-factional deputies of "equal opportunities" and the decisions of the Association adopted pursuant to this Regulation.

Article 2. Goals, objectives and principles of the Union

2.1. The purpose of the Association is:

- Promotion of gender equality;

- The advancement of women in society;
- Providing equal opportunities policy commitment and consistency;
- Facilitate adaptation of Ukraine concerning the protection of women's rights and equal opportunities to the European Union;
- Intensification of dialogue with NGOs and civil society organizations working in the field of gender policy.

2.2. To achieve the above mentioned objective Association:

- Contributes to the development and submission to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of bills aimed at bringing the legislation of Ukraine in the field of gender equality in line with EU legislation, promotes the approval of bills, including initiated by other subjects of legislative initiative;
- Monitors the processes associated with the development and implementation of gender mainstreaming in all spheres of public life;
- Analyzes the implementation of regulations aimed at implementing the policy of equal opportunities, protection of women's rights, the advancement of women in society;
- Contributes to the citizens of Ukraine national policy of gender equality.

2.3. Association determines the basic principles of its activities and direction of acting on the principles of self-government.

2.4. Association in its activities:

- Adopt and implement their decisions guided by the Constitution of Ukraine and laws of Ukraine, the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine Regulation and other regulations, these regulations;
- Be open to accession by all MPs who support the purpose of the Association and shall comply with this Regulation.

2.5. The fundamental principles of the Union is democratic discussion and decision making on all matters that are the subject of his work, combined with the personal responsibility of each member of the association for their implementation.

II. MEMBERSHIP IN ASSOCIATION

Article 3. Joining the Association and its members out of

3.1. Members of the association can be deputies of Ukraine who share the goal of the Association, shall comply with this Regulation and carry out the decisions taken by the Association.

3.2. Decision MPs of the Union and exiting the Association, is based on personal application deputies of Ukraine.

3.3. If systematic opt members of the association in the Association, at a meeting of the Association may be decided on its exclusion from the association.

Article 4. The rights and duties of the Association

4.1. Rights of members of the Association:

4.1.1. Member of the Union has the right to make proposals for activities of the Association and other matters related to the activities of the Association, to speak at meetings of the Association, to receive information and analytical information

on the policy of equal opportunities and rights for women and other information related to the activities of the Association.

4.1.2. Member of the Association, on behalf of the Association shall have the right to act on behalf of the Association and represent the Association in public bodies, institutions, enterprises and organizations, including international, in the media, forums, conferences and sign documents on behalf of the Association.

4.2. Duties of members of the association:

4.2.1. Member of the Association shall:

- Comply with this Regulation and Union decisions taken at its meetings;
- To participate in the meetings and work of the Union.

4.3. Union members contribute to the maintenance of bills aimed at bringing the legislation in question equal opportunities to EU legislation, in factions and committees of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, to which they belong.

III. ORGANIZATION OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 5. Forms of Association

5.1. The main forms of association are:

- Meeting of the Association;
- Members of the Union speech during the plenary sessions of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and international conferences and forums;
- Other.

Article 6. Meeting of the Association

6.1. The main form of union is meeting conducted openly and publicly. If necessary, the Association may be taken to have a closed session.

6.2. The meeting was convened by the Association of Chairmen of the Association and is a competent if attended by at least half of the total number of members of the Association and at least one of the co-chairs of the Association.

6.3. Decisions taken at the meeting of the Association by a majority of those present.

6.4. Preside at meetings of the Association alternately Co-Union.

6.5. Meeting of the Association held regularly in accordance with the schedule drawn up by the secretariat, but not less than once every six weeks.

6.6. Organization of the meeting by the Secretariat Association Association which operates on a voluntary basis.

6.7. Members of the Secretariat shall be appointed at the first meeting of the association.

Secretariat of the Association:

- Inform the members of the association to hold meetings of the association;
- Sent by members of the Association draft agenda of the meeting, together with draft decisions that are intended to make the meeting and the necessary information and analytical materials;
- The results of the meeting sent to members Combining decision taken at the meeting;

- Association provides members with information and analytical materials for their needs.

Article 7. Co-Merge

7.1. Union Co-elected at the first meeting of the Association by a majority of those present and must be members of different factions.

7.2. Co-Merge

- Provide long-term planning of the Association;
- The preparation and consideration of the meetings of the Association are responsible for their consideration, review the implementation of decisions.
- Convene and conduct meetings of the association;
- Representing the Union in bodies of state power, bodies of local self-government and international organizations;
- Authorized to sign on behalf of the Association;
- Inform the public about the activities of the Association, decisions, etc..

7.3. Re-election of co-chairs of the Association takes place at the first meeting of each subsequent session of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

Article 8. Association of Public Council

8.1. In order to promote the association and enhance public dialogue on the topic of equal opportunities, creating conditions for extensive involvement of gender policy community, formed by combining community council.

8.2. Public Board composed of highly authorized members of the public who have expressed their consent to give public support to the Association and help get information about the activities of the Association to the citizens of Ukraine.

8.3. Association of Public Council approves the composition and makes provisions for its operation.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

1. This Regulation shall enter into force, if it is adopted by the vote of not less than 2/3 of the total membership of the Association.

2. Amendments to these Regulations, the decision on reorganization or liquidation of the association adopted at a meeting of the Association not less than 2/3 of the members of the Union.