ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

1.1. The organization "European Media Platform (hereinafter - Organization) is an international NGO that brings together citizens of Ukraine, Denmark and other countries on a voluntary basis and common interests to execute statutory assignments.

1.2. The organization is guided in its activities by the Constitution of Ukraine, the Law on Public Associations, the current legislation of Ukraine and the countries on which the activity is spread. It is also guided by this Statute.

1.3. Full name of the organization:
In Ukrainian - Міжнародна громадська організація “Європейська Медіа Платформа”;
In Russian - Международная общественная организация “Европейская Медиа Платформа”; 
In English - International NGO “European Media Platform”.

1.4. Acronym:
In Ukrainian – “ЄМП”; 
In Russian -“ЕМП”; 
In English – “EMP”.


1.6. The organization acquires the status of legal entity from the moment of its state registration. It has its own balance, bank accounts, seal with its name, stamps, symbols, necessary attributes, examples of which are approved by the Board. The symbols are recorded in the manner prescribed by law.

1.7. The organization has a right to enter into agreements on its behalf, to acquire property and moral rights, to carry responsibilities, to be a plaintiff or defendant in court, to take part in civil legal relations.

1.8. The organization has an international status. The Association spreads its activities on the territories of Ukraine, Denmark and other countries, citizens or groups of organizations of which will be admitted to the Association’s membership.

1.9. The Activities of the Organization are based on the principle of law, openness, voluntariness and self-government, mutual interests and equality of rights of all its members.

1.10. The organization conducts its activities in close cooperation with interested Ukrainian and foreign citizens, collectives, public, private and state organizations, institutions, enterprises, the purpose of which does not contradict the statutory goals of the Organization.

1.11. The official languages are: Ukrainian, Russian and English.

ARTICLE 2. MISSION, PURPOSE, OBJECTIVES AND MAIN AREAS OF ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION.

2.1. Mission of the Organization is to promote European values and standards in the media industry.

2.2. The purpose of the Organization is the realization and protection of professional, social and other common rights, fundamental freedoms and interests of its members in case of receiving and disseminating information and building an information society.
2.3. To achieve the statutory goal of the Organization in accordance with the current Ukrainian legislation and international requirements implements the following tasks:

2.3.1. To support and to participate in the implementation of international, public and private programs and projects aimed at the adoption of democratic principles of freedom of information and development of information society

2.3.2. Involvement of financial, material, intellectual and informational resources necessary to carry out their tasks, target programs and projects;

2.3.3. Establishment of direct national and international contacts, the conclusion of appropriate contracts and agreements, participation in activities that do not contradict international obligations of Ukraine;

2.3.4. Dissemination and promotion of their ideas and goals, media studies, information on consultation events and the creation of information events, the establishment of mass media;

2.4. The main activities of the Organization are:

2.4.1. Promoting citizens' constitutional right to receive complete and accurate information about the government and nongovernmental agencies, international organizations, institutions, entities of different organizational forms, their role in building the European media landscape;

2.4.2. Promoting democratic culture of social and political communication and collaboration, improve communication system of international organizations, government agencies, businesses and the public in building the information society;

2.4.3. Creation of multilingual electronic database of European key documents in the media sector, including European legislation, EU directives, decisions of Council of Europe: Parliamentary Assembly (PACE), the Committee of Ministers (CM), the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities (CLRAE), the Conference of NGOs (NGOs), the Steering Committee on Media and Communications (Comite Directeur sur les moyens de Communication de Masse - CDMC), the findings of European and national self-regulatory organizations;

2.4.4. Analyzes of existing basic documents of the European structures, generalization of the requirements and recommendations, comparison real situation with created standards;

2.4.5. Creation of proposals for state programs, legislative acts aimed at developing and improving information space of Ukraine, Denmark and other countries, facilitating their implementation;

2.4.6. Monitoring of the situation with media legislation and regulation, self-regulation in terms of compliance with European standards;

2.4.7. Promoting the consolidation of civil organizations to control the state institutions of European media policy-making (including CDMC);

2.4.8. To create a discussion platform for talking about the most controversial questions of reproduction of European media policies at the national level (especially the former Soviet Union);
2.4.9. To promote the production and dissemination of the basic criteria of high professional qualifications in the field of media and communications;

2.4.10. Improvement of professional and ethical level of its members by providing them free methodological and advisory assistance, organization of lectures, seminars and other events;

2.4.11. Establishment of increasing media and Internet literacy (especially for youth), promoting awareness of consumers of information;

2.4.12. Elaboration of mechanisms of prevention of information wars, the development of the strategy of eliminating the consequences of such wars;

2.4.13. Creating a database of best practices of cooperation between NGOs and media, development of standards and recommendations in this regard;

2.4.14. Promoting solidarity of media representatives;

2.4.15. Organization of cooperation between journalists, media experts, lawyers, community activists on issues of statutory objectives of the Organization;

2.4.16. Ensuring public monitoring of digital airtime broadcasting;

2.4.17. Promoting the involvement of population of Eastern and Central Europe into the European Dialogue on Internet Governance (EuroDIG), with this purpose holding in Ukraine Eastern European Dialogue on Internet Governance (East EuroDIG) free of charge;

2.4.18. Establishment of International Center for journalists in Ukraine.

ARTICLE 3. MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORGANIZATION. ORDER OF ACCEPTANCE AND WITHDRAWAL FROM ORGANIZATION.

3.1. Members of the Association are individuals and groups that joined the Organization according to this Statute.

It is established individual, collective and honorary membership in the Organization.

3.2. An individual member of the Organization may become a citizen of Ukraine, Denmark or other European or non-European countries, who at the time of entry has reached 14 years, recognizes the Charter of the Organization, agrees to comply with the Charter and decisions of governing bodies, responsibilities of the Member personally and wants to contribute to the fulfillment of its tasks. For acquisition of individual membership citizens should submit an application in writing or online form and receive confirmation from the Board of the Organization.

3.3. Individual membership is free. Individual members can also create centers of organizations throughout the world, helping the Organization to strengthen its global impact by activation of the activities at the local level. The cells can also be created by various geographic regions in order to achieve a common goal (within the limits of the Statute).

3.4. Collective members are groups of enterprises, institutions and organizations that have expressed willingness to facilitate the implementation of statutory tasks of the Organization to comply with the Statute and to recognize the decisions of bodies of the Organization. To acquire collective membership it is necessary to obtain the written or online request and a decision to
join the staff. It is necessary to get the decision of the Board, approved by The Trusteeship Council.

3.5. Honorary membership is proposed for Active Members (as insignia of their special contribution to the organization's activities) and for non-members, which contributed to its development, achievement of the goal and realization of the mission. The decision to grant honorary membership is made by The Trusteeship Council.

3.6. Voluntary withdrawal from the Organization is carried out by written or online notice of termination of membership;

3.7. For violation of statutory requirements or for non-performance of the decisions of the governing bodies, the member may be expelled from the Organization on the basis of a substantiated decision of the Board, approved by The Trusteeship Council, with an obligatory writing message from this member.

ARTICLE 4. Rights and duties of members of the Association.

4.1. Members in the order prescribed by law and this Statute, have the right:

- to participate in management of the Organization, by means of discussions, making suggestions and voting on decision making on all matters of its activities;
- to elect and to be elected to the governing bodies;
- to participate in the public events held by the Organization;
- to propose the inclusion of any matters within the circle of the statutory objectives, to the agenda of the General Assembly of the Organization;
- to publish their works in the editions of the Organization;
- to receive from the Organization any information regarding the activities of the Organization for review;
- To withdrawal from the Organization on a voluntary basis with a written application submitted to the Association.

Members of the Organization use other rights stipulated by current legislation of Ukraine, Denmark and other countries, citizens and groups of which will be admitted to membership in the Organization, and internal documents of the Organization.

4.2. Members of the Organization are obliged to:

- respect these rules and implement the decisions of governing bodies;
- promote the implementation of statutory activities;
- avoid actions which cause the Organization moral and material damage;
- prevent unauthorized copying and distribution of databases and other information resources and the systems of the Organization for commercial purposes;
- provide assistance in the spread and achievement of goals and objectives;
- promote the development and implementation of new projects;
- have an email address for possible participation in Internet conferences' of the Organization and to inform the Board about the change of email address;
- perform other duties prescribed by law, this Statute and internal documents of the Organization.

ARTICLE 5. Procedure of the Establishment and activities of bodies of the Association, local branches and their powers.
5.1. Statutory bodies of the Association are:

- the General Assembly of the Organization;
- The Trusteeship Council;
- the Board of Organization;
- the Auditing Commission.

5.2. The highest body is the General Assembly of the Organization. General Assembly is convened by the Chairman of the Organization (hereinafter - the Chairman of the Board) or The Trusteeship Council as far as it is required, but at least once a year. General Assembly considered valid if it was attended by no less than half of the members of the Organization. It is supposed to have a distance participation in the General Assembly of the Organization and the possibility of delegation of his voice to another member of the Organization (with the written instructions). The decision of the General Assembly is adopted by means of public vote by simple majority of votes of those present members, but on the questions of the amendments to the Constitution - by public vote of two thirds of the Members. The decision of the General Assembly is adopted in a protocol, signed by Chairman and Secretary of the General Assembly of the Organization.

5.3. For two and a half months before the regular General Assembly, the Board of Organization brings to the wide discussion of the General Assembly agenda (subject to prior approval by the Trusteeship Council), creates a platform for open forum and starts to register participants who plan to attend the General Assembly personally. Over a half months before the regular General Assembly discussion and registration suspended, the Board of Organization collects and analyzes all proposals. Submission of additional issues on the agenda possible with support each specific proposal at least a quarter of all the members. On the basis of proposals received for each item of the Board of Organization within two weeks preparing one (or several) draft decisions approved by the Trusteeship Council (during the week). If draft decision is subject to veto by one or more members of the Trusteeship Council, it is preparing a detailed explanation on this matter, which is distributed to all members of the Organization. Responsibility for preparing the explanation relies on the member or members of the Trusteeship Council, which imposed a veto, the responsibility for its dissemination - on the Board of Organization. On the basis of prior registration the Board determines the venue of the General Assembly and provides the capability for remote participation. All members of the General Assembly participate in its work at its expense, personal participation of those members who have expressed such a desire after the end of the registration is possible only subject to availability of vacant places. Submission of additional items on the agenda during the last month is possible only if they occurred after the end of open discussion. Draft decisions on them should also be approved by the Trusteeship Council. Information about time and place, the possibilities for remote participation, the draft agenda and draft decisions notified to members of the two weeks before the General Assembly.

5.4. Extraordinary General Assembly convened on the initiative:

5.4.1. The Trusteeship Council;

5.4.2. President of the Trusteeship Council;

5.4.3. Chairmen of the Board;

5.4.4. most Board members.
5.5. At the extraordinary General Assembly considered only those questions for which solving it is held and draft decisions which are approved by the Trusteeship Council and sent to all members no later than two weeks before the General Assembly. The term of the open discuss issues submitted to the extraordinary General Assembly and registration may be reduced to two weeks. The term handling of proposals - to a week.

5.6. The competence of the General Assembly include:

5.6.1. approval of the Statute, amendments to it;

5.6.2. election for a term of seven years and recall of members of the Trusteeship Council;

5.6.3. election for a term of five years and recall of the Chairmen and members of the Board;

5.6.4. election for a term of five years and recall of the Chairmen and members of the Auditing Commission;

5.6.5. approval of the priority activities of the Organization;

5.6.6. hearing, discussion and approval of the report of the Board and the Auditing Commission;

5.6.7. decision-making on reorganization and liquidation of the Organization.

5.7. The Trusteeship Council is a permanent governing body of Organization which ensure correspondence of its activities according to Statutory tasks and goals. The Trusteeship Council consists of five persons elected by the General Assembly for the term of seven years (with the right to re-election for another term). The Trusteeship Council approves all decisions of the Board for the convening, preparation and conduct of the General Assembly, draft decisions on changes in the structure of the Board and the Auditing Commission, amendments to the Statute, decides on changes in the Trusteeship Council. Each member of the Trusteeship Council has the right to veto any decision of the Trusteeship Council. When using this right, member of the Trusteeship Council which vetoed should prepare a written explanation of reasons for that decision and bring it to the attention of all members of the Trusteeship Council. Questions about the promulgation of this explanation is solved by the Trusteeship Council. Any decision on changes in structure the Trusteeship Council on seven-year term may be based on a recommendation from existing members of the Trusteeship Council by the Council itself.

5.8. Members of the Trusteeship Council elect the President whose competence includes:

- represent the Organization at the national and international levels;

- establish the national and international level contacts with those who decide on issues related to media;

- organize various campaigns in support of the Organization;

- lobbying goals and tasks facing the Organization;

- initiate a broad discussion of the most important for the development of media topics.
5.9. The Board is a permanent executive body of the Organization, which collectively supervises all daily operations and control the functioning of the Organization in the period between meetings of the General Assembly.

5.10. The Board elected by the General Assembly of the Organization. The Board headed by the Chairman of the Board, who acts as the Executive Director of the Organization. Number of Deputy Executive Director and other Board members determined by the General Assembly in accordance with current needs.

5.11. Director is responsible for performing functions assigned to him by the General Assembly and the Trusteeship Council. Director of the Organization has the right to make decisions on all activities of the Organization that are not within the competence of the General Assembly and the Trusteeship Council. General Assembly and Trusteeship Council have the right to devolve part of their authority to the Director. In the absence of the Director executes his duties authorized member of the Board of Organization.

5.12. Director of Organization represents the Organization without authorization during the implementation of tasks, functions, duties of the Organization, provided by legislation of Ukraine and this Statute. To this end, Director of Organization:

- decides on all activities of the Organization that are not within the competence of the General Assembly and the Trusteeship Council;
- develop practical measures to achieve statutory goals and tasks, decisions of the General Assembly and the Trusteeship Council;
- act on behalf of the Organization, representing its interests in relations with legal and natural entities;
- concludes economic and other agreements;
- issuing orders, instructions, allocates responsibilities among other members of the Board;
- open accounts in banks, has right of first to sign financial documents;
- performs other functions assigned to it by this Statute and decisions of the General Assembly and the Trusteeship Council.

5.13. Control over the end use of funds and property of Organization, observance of this Statute by all members of the Organization, implementation of decisions of the General Assembly is carried out by the Auditing Commission, which is elected by the General Assembly.

5.14. Members of the Board and President of the organization may not be members of the Auditing Commission.

5.15. Inspections conducted by the Auditing Commission on behalf of the General Assembly, the Trusteeship Council or on its own initiative.

5.16. The Audit Commission report on the results of inspections to the General Assembly (not less than every five years) and the Trusteeship Council (annually).
5.17. Chairman of the Auditing Commission has the right to attend meetings of the Board of Organization in an advisory capacity.

5.18. The Auditing Commission concludes annual reports and balance sheets of the Organization. Without the conclusion of Auditing Commission the General Assembly has no right to approve the balance.

5.19. Local offices of the Organization, established in Ukraine, registered according to current legislation. They operate on the basis of the Statute of the Organization and its provisions, adopted by their highest governing body and approved by the Board of the Organization. The provisions of local offices should not contradict Statute of the Organization. Statement on the creation of local office within a month considered by the Board of Organization and approved within two weeks by the Trusteeship Council.

5.20. Local offices of the Organization which are created outside of Ukraine should legalize its activities according to the legislation of the countries where they are established. Statement on the creation of departments and representative bodies of the Organization which is created outside of Ukraine within a month considered by the Board of Organization and approved within two weeks by the Trusteeship Council.

ARTICLE 6. OWNERSHIP, PROPERTY AND FUNDS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

6.1. The Organization may own, possess, use and dispose of movable and immovable property, including premises, vehicles, money in local and foreign currencies, intangibles, land and any other assets necessary for its statutory activities.

6.2. The Organization has the right to transactions on the property and funds that are in its ownership and do not contradict the legislation of Ukraine and Statute.

6.3. The Organization is not responsible for the obligations of the members of Organization. Members are not responsible for the obligations of the Organization, unless otherwise provided by the legislation of Ukraine. The order of the provision of premises as a legal address is defined by a separate regulation.

6.4. The sources of funds and property of the Organization include:

6.4.1. funds or property received free of charge, non-repayable financial assistance, donations of the members of Organization and other persons;

6.4.2. passive income;

6.4.3. grants or subsidies from the state or local budgets, as well as state target funds;

6.4.4. charitable assistance, humanitarian and technical assistance according to international agreements, consent to be bound by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;

6.4.5. income from principal activities of the Organization according to the Statute and legislation.

ARTICLE 7. PROCEDURE FOR AMENDING TO THE STATUTE OF ORGANIZATION.
7.1. Amendments to the Statute of the Organization accepted 3 / 4 vote of the members of the General Assembly of the Organization that are present. All decisions to change the Statute must be approved by the Trusteeship Council.

7.2. The changes that have occurred in the statutory documents are subject to mandatory registration in the legally established procedure.

ARTICLE 8. TERMINATION ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION.

8.1. Termination activities of the Organization can be carried out through reorganization (merger, division, accession or transformation) or liquidation (voluntary dissolution, forced dissolution).

8.2. Reorganization of the Organization carries out by decision of the General Assembly of the participants of Organization, if voted for this decision more than 3 / 4 of the members present, and if it is approved by the Trusteeship Council. When deciding on the reorganization, decided the question of the cessionary of Organization.

8.3. Based on a decision of the General Assembly of reorganization or liquidation of the Organization the Board determines cessionaries of the Organization in accordance with the legislation of Ukraine and approves the relevant balances. Cessionaries of the Organization may not be legal entities, the purpose of which is profit and profit distribution.

8.4. Grounds and procedure for liquidation (forced dissolution) of the Organization and penalty on its property and funds determines the legislation of Ukraine. Forced dissolution of the local office can be made in case when the actual number of members of the office becomes less than three persons (for example due to the decision to exclude individual members from among the organization for violation of the Statute). Reasoned decision on the forced termination activities of the office accepts the Board, the Trusteeship Council approves this decision, the message of this decision (with reasons) is distributed among all members of the Organization.

8.5. Liquidation (voluntary dissolution) is based on the decision of the General Assembly. The Board appoints the liquidation committee and defines the order and timing of the liquidation of Organization according to the legislation of Ukraine. The liquidation committee performs the management functions of the Organization after appointment. The liquidation committee acts in court and performs other actions on behalf of the Organization that is terminated.

8.6. The assets remaining after meet the demands of creditors of the Organization, is transferred to the nonprofit appropriate type organization, which operates similar to the statutory tasks of the Organization, or directed to the state budget.

8.7. The Organization is such that ended with the date of the relevant entry in the Unified State Register.