

(Managing and guiding voluntary service and leadership across borders)

## Statute of V.A.T.E.L. (International)

# Voluntary Administration for Transnational External Leadership

(A Foreign Service Section of Doninu (Malta) International)

#### Article 1 – Establishment

V.A.T.E.L. is established as a section of **Doninu (Malta) International**, dedicated to managing and guiding voluntary service and leadership across borders.

## **Article 2 – Founder and Authority**

- 1. V.A.T.E.L. is founded by **Doninu (Malta) International**, and operates fully under its authority.
- 2. The leader of V.A.T.E.L. shall be appointed and approved by the Board of Doninu (Malta) International.
- 3. The first appointed leader is **H.E. Ambassador Dr. Pierre Vatel**, who also serves as a Board Member of Doninu (Malta) International.

#### **Article 3 – Mission and Scope**

- 1. V.A.T.E.L. functions as the **foreign office** of Doninu (Malta) International.
- 2. It coordinates international volunteer missions, humanitarian support, and cross-border service initiatives.
- 3. Its objective is to strengthen global cooperation and deploy voluntary teams where help is needed abroad.

## **Article 4 – Structure and Oversight**

- 1. V.A.T.E.L. operates within the governance of Doninu (Malta) International.
- 2. Its operations, staff, and programs are overseen by the Doninu Board through the appointed leader.
- 3. A dedicated administration team may be formed to support logistics, partnerships, and volunteer care.

#### **Article 5 – Volunteers**

- 1. All V.A.T.E.L. volunteers are part of the Doninu (Malta) International network.
- 2. They may be assigned to missions abroad, respecting international laws and the host country's regulations.
- 3. V.A.T.E.L. ensures that volunteers are trained, protected, and supported in all deployments.

#### Article 6 – Legal Status

- 1. V.A.T.E.L. does not hold a separate legal identity.
- 2. It acts as a formal section under Doninu (Malta) International, sharing its legal and administrative framework.

#### **Article 7 – Entry into Force**

This statute enters into force upon its approval by the Board of Doninu (Malta) International.

## **Article 8 – Headquarters and Operations**

- 1. V.A.T.E.L. shall operate from the international offices of Doninu (Malta) International or from any location approved by the Board.
- 2. Regional missions or liaison units may be established in other countries to coordinate fieldwork and partnerships.

## **Article 9 – Partnerships and International Cooperation**

- 1. V.A.T.E.L. may collaborate with UN bodies, humanitarian NGOs, state agencies, or religious and voluntary organisations worldwide, provided such collaboration is approved by Doninu (Malta) International.
- 2. All partnerships shall be based on shared principles of human dignity, non-discrimination, neutrality, and peace.

## **Article 10 – Guiding Principles**

V.A.T.E.L. operates in line with the following values:

- Voluntary service without financial gain
- Respect for human dignity and international humanitarian principles
- Cross-border solidarity and support for vulnerable populations
- Peaceful cooperation among peoples and cultures
- Transparency and ethical leadership

#### **Article 11 – Leadership and Internal Organisation**

- 1. The Leader of V.A.T.E.L. holds executive authority over its programs, representation, and missions, under the strategic direction of Doninu (Malta) International's Board.
- 2. The leader may appoint coordinators, liaisons, or representatives in different countries, subject to Board notification.
- 3. The leader shall report regularly to the Board, and any major decisions require Board endorsement.

## **Article 12 – Resources and Funding**

- 1. V.A.T.E.L. is a **non-commercial** section and does not engage in fundraising on its own behalf.
- 2. All funding or material support for missions shall be managed through Doninu (Malta) International in accordance with its financial and ethical policies.

#### Article 13 – Amendments

- 1. Any changes to this statute must be proposed by the Leader or a member of the Doninu Board and approved by a majority vote of the Board.
- 2. All amendments must remain in conformity with the principles and values of Doninu (Malta) International.

#### Article 14 – Dissolution

- 1. V.A.T.E.L. may only be dissolved by formal resolution of the Doninu (Malta) International Board.
- 2. Upon dissolution, all ongoing missions shall be transferred to other sections or handled by the parent organisation.

## **Article 15 – Foreign Affairs Office Function**

V.A.T.E.L. shall serve as the official **Foreign Affairs Office** for all associations or organisations operating under **Doninu (Malta) International**.

H.E. Amb. Dr. Pierre Vatel is authorised to establish direct contact with ambassadors and diplomatic representatives of all states worldwide, together with the Leader of Doninu (Malta) International. In his official capacity, Dr. Pierre Vatel is the recognised Head of this Foreign Affairs Office, and may take decisions on behalf of the entire Board, where appropriate, in matters concerning international representation and foreign relations.

#### **Final Clause**

This Statute shall be held in the official records of Doninu (Malta) International and published internally for all volunteers and members.

Signed by:

**Board of Doninu (Malta) International** 

Chev. (Jean) Pierre Calleja

**Leader / Founder** 

Doninu (Malta) International