

Developing a paragraph for the House Rules focussing on the vision of the ETEN organisation

During the Autumn meeting in Gdansk, the board invites all ECOs and TIG-leaders to participate in the development of vision paragraphs for the House Rules.

Below you will find extracts and formulations concerning vision and mission from the:

- 1) Statutes. The mission quotes can be found in the Statutes.
These quotes can only be changed in the statutes by vote at a General Assembly in the spring.
- 2) House rules quotes holding vision and mission content.
We will primarily work with the wordings of these paragraphs in Gdansk.
- 3) ETEN journal. These formulations / paragraphs relate to the already formulated vision paragraphs in the House Rules and should be changed accordingly based on the work in Gdansk.

The Board looks forward to developing a more accurate and joint vision of ETEN at the meeting in Gdansk.

1) Statutes-related quotes about the general mission of ETEN

Art. 3 disinterested purpose and object (activities)

The non-profit organization ETEN vzw has a selfless purpose:

- Provide a platform to exchange knowledge and recognition regarding educational and pedagogical work at all levels.
- Encourage status, respect and inspiration for the profession of teacher and pedagogue.
- Provide a platform to influence development and innovation in teaching and pedagogical training in member countries.
- Promote and highlight the understanding of the history, culture, values and traditions of the countries of the members, as expressed in teaching and pedagogical training.
- Involvement in essential national and international debates on training in general and teaching and pedagogical training in particular.
- Opportunities for exchange projects and/or individual and group visits for students as part of their study program (including teaching experience, practical training, curricular work and research).

The aim of the non-profit organization ETEN vzw is the following activities:

- Involve as many students as possible in exchange programs during their studies.
- Offering at least one international student activity within ETEN in English for every institution that is a member of ETEN.

- Create opportunities for exchanges and/or visits for staff members related to student education, teaching, school development, curricular development and research.
- Involve as many staff members as possible in the exchange programs every year.
- Offer opportunities within educational and pedagogical training and practice to integrate comparative and intercultural perspectives on education.
- Offer opportunities for transnational and international collaboration in research and development. - Offer opportunities for professional development of staff members.
- Spread the vision of ETEN in a broader context.
- Describe, evaluate and report all ETEN activities on the ETEN website, to ensure the quality of the network.

The non-profit organization ETEN vzw may take all actions that are directly or indirectly related to its disinterested purpose and object.

The non-profit organization ETEN vzw may carry out economic activities of an industrial or commercial nature, even in principle, the proceeds of which will at all times be fully intended for its selfless purpose.

2) House rules vision / mission-related quotes about ETEN

Article 1 - Valued Informal Dimension of the Network

ETEN members greatly value the informal, friendly, easy-going atmosphere of the Network. Collaboration among the Network members depends on genuine trust. This informal dimension is an integral part of the ETEN ethos and it is being constantly nurtured in the building of the ETEN Network.

Article 3 - Respect

ETEN members consider others' well-being and dignity as first priorities. They value diverse people, thinking and styles and uphold respect for Human Rights standards within their sphere of activity.

Article 7 - Shared Knowledge

ETEN members share knowledge and develop collaborative innovations to increase educational practice and scientific know-how in order to improve education for all. ETEN members develop and leverage deep educating and learning insights that they discuss together critically.

Article 10 - Admission, Conditions and Procedures

ETEN is a teacher and social education Network. Membership is open to institutions of higher education and organisations in the fields of social education and teacher education. Pre-schools, primary and secondary schools can apply for Affiliate membership initially (see Art. 12) and may apply for full membership after 2 years. To widen the cooperation perspectives, the Network also includes ETEN members from

outside Europe.

Article 17.....

The tasks of the ECO involve three general areas of responsibility: facilitating student and staff mobility, serving as the contact person between ETEN and the member institution, and promoting international projects. A list of ECO responsibilities include:

Article 22....

This conference acts as a forum to showcase new research and its actual practical application as well as proposed theories, new knowledge, experiences and ideas regarding the development of educational practices.

Article 23...

All ETEN member institutions are encouraged to participate in organising a conference.

Article 24 - Bilateral and Multilateral Cooperation and Mobility Programmes

The Network's cooperation and mobility programmes operate through a series of bilateral institutional agreements monitored and revised by each Member's institution, as needed. ETEN aims to encourage its members to create groups among themselves and to apply for funding from appropriate agencies to run proposed bilateral or multilateral agreements. Such agreements should lead to the creation of mobility programmes aimed at fostering student mobility, staff mobility as well as publications opportunities.

Article 25 - *Journal of ETEN (JETEN)*

The *Journal of the European Teacher Education Network (JETEN)* is a scholarly peer-reviewed international teacher educators' online publication. Presentations made at the Spring Conference can be submitted for review as academic papers.

Article 26: ETEN as an Associate Partner in the EU and Other Funded Projects

ETEN can be an associate partner in international projects with the condition of ETEN not having any financial obligation. The Board will decide on such participation, based in part on the number of ETEN members involved in the project.

3) Examples of the wording from the vision and mission on etenjournal.com

ETEN envisions a strong, interconnected European community where teacher and social educator education is elevated through shared knowledge, intercultural understanding, and innovative collaboration. It strives to be a respected voice in shaping the future of education, inspiring students and staff through meaningful international experiences and a commitment to professional excellence.

ETEN envisions to be a leading European network that strengthens teacher and social educator education through shared expertise, intercultural collaboration, and meaningful mobility. It aspires to elevate the teaching professions, foster innovation across member institutions, and serve as a recognised contributor to international educational development.

ETEN is a leading, collaborative European community that advances teacher and social educator education through shared knowledge, intercultural understanding, innovation, and meaningful mobility for students and staff.

ETEN's mission is to advance the quality, status, and innovation of teacher and social educator education across Europe by fostering shared knowledge, intercultural understanding, and collaborative development. The network strengthens professional learning through student and staff mobility, comparative and cross-national research, and international activities that engage as many participants as possible. ETEN is committed to proactive leadership in educational debates, professional development, and transparent dissemination and evaluation of its work to ensure continuous improvement and impact.