

Suggestion from the Forum board: Change in the Forum statutes article V:

OLD STATUTE TEXT:

Article V. Board

The Board of the Forum is responsible for all activities of the Forum and is accountable to the General Assembly. It consists of nine members and two substitute members, recruited among members of the Forum with a view of securing continuity, spread, geographically as well as according to institutions and scientific fields. It is an ambition to have gender balance in the election of board members.

Comments to the old text and why there is a need of change:

It is difficult to include one of the 2 substitute members of Forum in a board meeting if one of the ordinary board members suddenly cannot participate; very often, they cannot participate. In addition, we have only 2 substitute members, and they cannot represent more than 2 geographical areas, institutions or scientific fields. We think it is better to increase the number of substitute members and to invite the substitute members to all board meetings. We suggest the change like this:

SUGGESTED CHANGE IN STATUTE TEXT:

Article V. Board

The Board of the Forum is responsible for all activities of the Forum and is accountable to the General Assembly. It consists of nine members **and five substitute members**, recruited among members of the Forum with a view of securing continuity, spread, geographically as well as according to institutions and scientific fields. It is an ambition to have gender balance in the election of board members. **The substitute members will be invited to all board meetings.**