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# Political resolution guiding the upcoming Constitutional Review

**Introduction**

The EDF Board proposes that following the Annual General Assembly 2022 a constitutional review will take place. This Resolution presents political guidance for the review and reform of the statutes and the internal rules in EDF.

EDF aims to renew itself so that the Disability Movement in Europe is robust, strong, sustainable and diverse, and has the structures and working methods to be ready for the challenges of the future.

To mark 25 years of existence and redoubling our efforts for the next 25 years EDF will undertake this constitutional review, analysing and assessing our current statutes and internal rules, identifying which articles and elements can be updated and improved.

Following the Annual General Assembly 2022, a Constitutional Working Group will be established with the mandate to guide and oversee the consultation and constitutional review process which will reflect on:

* How to ensure gender equality, youth perspectives and diversity within our membership and governing bodies;
* How to ensure that people with disabilities feel that the persons serving in the governing bodies represent them in all their diversity;
* What constitutional measures and other internal rules can be adopted to ensure a positive renewal of the governing bodies, and to enhance and advance participatory governance in EDF?
* How to promote this renewal and attract new talents to serve in the governing bodies;
* Should there be a change of the length of mandates or their renewability?

The Roadmap:

* A detailed plan will be developed for the Constitutional review process and a Constitutional Working Group will be established in 2022;
* The Constitutional Working Group terms of reference and membership will be decided by the Board on the proposal of the new executive committee. It will include representatives of gender equality and youth participation perspectives.
* Under the guidance of this working group, in 2022, the full EDF membership will be consulted on their views and perspectives concerning the current EDF statutes and Internal rules;
* The Board will review all proposals and give input to the progress of the Constitutional review at each of its meetings;
* Following this process, the General Assembly in 2023 will examine, discuss and potentially adopt renewed EDF statutes and internal rules.