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Regularly synchronized with the international legal environment.

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Legal Framework

This framework establishes a comprehensive legal architecture containing the necessary provisions for lawful activity within the international legal field, providing sufficient freedom of action for all Association members, including governance members and authorized representatives.

Legal Foundation and Hierarchy

The Association's legal system is built on a strict hierarchy ensuring predictability and the rule of law.

Legal Personality: The Association operates based on and in accordance with the principles set forth in Article 60 and following of the Swiss Civil Code.

Applicable Law: Activities are governed by substantive Swiss law (as primary) and Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) as subsidiary law.

Protective Mechanism: Any on-chain decision that violates the imperative provisions of Swiss law is null and void (legally invalid).

Document Hierarchy:

Governance Resolution: Supreme founding act. Approves the Mission, establishes Funds, and enacts all other documents.

Executive Act: Activates and limits the authority, term, and budget of a specific Authorized Representative (hereinafter “Representative”). Has priority over general Mandate provisions.

Protective Contracts (Mandate Agreement and Indemnity Agreement): Bilateral contracts defining fiduciary duties and legal protection of Representatives.

Policies and Regulations: Procedural documents regulating compliance, asset management, and dispute resolution.

Governance and Decision-Making

Governance is implemented through a bicameral (two-chamber) on-chain system ensuring balance between community will and legal compliance.

Tokens:

- **Formation token:** Functional token for service access and Grant financing.
- **Governance token:** Governance token granting voting rights to Association members.

Decision-making mechanisms:

- **Voting** (simple majority): Token holders vote on general matters.
- **Qualified voting** (qualified majority): Token holders vote on enactments, activations, and appointments.
- **Qualified confirmation** (multisignature 4/7): Verification mechanism for key financial and administrative actions.

- **Voting with Qualified confirmation:** A two-stage procedure for critical decisions (e.g., amendment of the Resolution), requiring approval of governance token holders and Verifiers.

Decentralized Compliance: Qualified confirmation (4/7) is not a technical signature but a “collective legal attestation” by Verifiers that the transaction complies with the Governance Resolution and that AML/Sanctions screening of the counterparty has been performed. This process is formalized in the “Due Diligence Regulation” and “Compliance Check Report Template.”

Operations and Representation

To interact with the external world, the Association employs Representatives acting under clearly defined authorities.

Delegation: The Association appoints Representatives to perform specific functions.

Activation: Authorities (general described in the “Mandate”) are activated, budget- and term-limited via the “Executive Act.”

Legal Protection: Representatives acting in good faith within their authority are protected by the “Indemnity Agreement.”

Protection Funding: This protection is financially supported by the “Legal Support Fund.”

Compensation: Representatives receive no salary but are entitled to expense reimbursement within the Executive Act budget, per the “Expense Reimbursement Policy.”

Asset Management and Specialized Funds

Financial stability is ensured by strict asset management policies and creation of targeted reserve funds.

Portfolio Management: The “Hedging and Asset Management Policy” establishes diversification rules and stablecoin limits to minimize volatility.

Reserve Funds: The “Asset Reserving Policy” establishes four targeted funds with mandatory minimum thresholds:

Special Research Fund (SRF): Research financing.

Special Development Fund (SDF): Grant disbursement.

Awareness Raising Fund (ARF): Public information.

Legal Support Fund (LSF): Indemnity and legal expense financing.

International Compliance and Risk Management

The framework ensures strict adherence to international standards to minimize regulatory and legal risks.

AML/CTF and Sanctions: The “Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy” establishes a risk-oriented approach requiring KYC/KYB for Representatives and major grant recipients. Initiation is assigned to Qualified Verifiers upon transaction approval.

Tax Compliance: The “Tax Compliance Policy” places full responsibility for tax declaration and payment on fund recipients (Representatives, Grantees), protecting the Association from tax agent or employer status in foreign jurisdictions.

Technological Risk: The “Smart Contract Risk Management Policy” mandates audits, multisignature use for critical transactions, and simulation testing.

Data Protection: The “Privacy Policy” and “Cookie Policy” ensure compliance with international standards (including nDSG and GDPR) in personal data processing.

Disclosure: The “Official Information Disclosure Statement” and “Token Regulatory Status Memorandum” provide counterparties and regulators with a clear position on the legal status of tokens and associated risks.

External Interaction

All external interactions of the Association are governed by standardized templates protecting its interests and Mission.

Funding (Grants): The “Grant and Intellectual Property Agreement” mandates immediate and irrevocable transfer of all created Intellectual Property into the Public Domain as a condition for grant receipt.

Hiring (Contractors): The “Service Agreement Template” is used to hire auditors, developers, etc. Intellectual Property created thereby becomes the Association’s property (unlike with grants).

Negotiations: The “Non-Disclosure Agreement Template” protects confidential information in pre-contract stages.

Users: The “Terms of Use” regulate relations with website users and token holders, recording their agreement with the legal status and risks of tokens.

Dispute Resolution

The framework establishes two separate, legally binding mechanisms for conflict resolution, excluding state courts.

Internal Disputes: (between the Association, members, Representatives). Governed by the “Conflict Resolution and Ethics Regulation.”

Procedure: 1. Mediation -> 2. Internal Arbitration -> 3. On-chain ratification (as final veto or approval).

External Disputes: (with contractors, grantees, third parties). Governed by the “Arbitration Rules.”

Procedure: Mandatory exclusive arbitration at the Swiss Arbitration Center (Zug). Decisions are final and enforceable worldwide under the 1958 New York Convention.

Governance Resolution

1. General Provisions

1.1. **Name:** This Governance Resolution establishes the New Epoch Association (hereinafter the “Association”), a decentralized autonomous association governed by the protocol’s smart contracts.

1.2. **Mission:** The Association organizes, finances, and promotes fundamental and applied research and development aimed at the emergence of humanity as a multi-planetary civilization. The Association is an international public association by purpose and scope of activity.

1.3. **Legal Qualification:** The Association is a decentralized autonomous association operating based on and in accordance with the principles set forth in Article 60 and following of the Swiss Civil Code. Relations between members and the Association are governed by this Governance Resolution and other Association documents. Members’ liability is limited to their contributions. The Association’s liability for any obligations is limited solely to its assets controlled by its smart contracts. Despite having a physical address at Rue Le Corbusier 12, 1208 Geneva, Switzerland for official correspondence and compliance with ZGB, actual governance, decision-making, and function execution are carried out decentrally via Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) and actions of Qualified Verifiers on the blockchain.

1.4. **Applicable Law:** This Governance Resolution, all related documents, and relations between the Association and its members are governed by substantive Swiss law. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) applies subsidiarily and only insofar as it does not contradict this Resolution or applicable Swiss law.

1.5. **Supremacy of Mandatory Norms:** Any on-chain decision or protocol action that directly contradicts or violates mandatory provisions of applicable Swiss law is void and without legal effect from the moment of adoption. In such cases, Swiss law provisions prevail, and the Authorized Representative for Legal Support must take necessary measures to rectify and bring compliance.

1.6. **Tax Liability Disclaimer:** The Association makes no representations or warranties regarding tax consequences of any activities, including ownership of Formation Tokens ("FT") and Governance Tokens ("GT") or receipt of Grants. Each participant, partner, and grant recipient bears sole responsibility for determining and paying all applicable taxes in their jurisdiction. The Association is not liable for tax noncompliance by participants or contractors.

1.7. **Language of Proceedings:** The primary language for all Association-related proceedings is English unless parties agree otherwise.

1.8. **Hierarchy:** This Governance Resolution has absolute supremacy over all other Association documents.

2. Governance and Tokens

2.1. **Governance Protocol:** The Association uses a protocol ensuring decentralized governance, transaction verification, and voting.

2.2. **Tokens:** Two types of tokens are approved:

2.2.1. **Formation Token ("FT"):** Used exclusively to grant holders access to Association protocol services, including the right to donate funds for Grants to Teams and participate in governance mechanisms to support the Mission.

2.2.2. **Governance Token ("GT"):** Used by Association members to exercise voting rights in governance.

2.3. **Exchange:** FT can be exchanged for GT and vice versa at a 1:1 rate.

2.4. **Membership:** To become a member, a user must acquire an FT from the Association, exchange it for GT, and use GT to participate in on-chain voting.

2.5. **On-chain Voting:** Three types of voting are approved:

2.5.1. **Voting:** On-chain simple majority voting (over 50%) of voting Governance Tokens.

2.5.2. **Qualified Voting:** On-chain qualified majority voting (over 80%) of voting Governance Tokens.

2.5.3. **Qualified Confirmation:** On-chain voting by qualified majority (at least 4/7) of trusted addresses entitled to qualified confirmation, implemented via cryptographic multisignature. Qualified confirmation is cryptographic proof and collective legal attestation by verifiers that:

2.5.3.1. The decision complies with the Governance Resolution.

2.5.3.2. Required due diligence and AML/Sanctions screening of counterparties have been performed per the Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy.

2.5.4. **Voting with Qualified Confirmation:** A two-stage on-chain voting where the first stage is voting and the second stage is qualified confirmation by trusted addresses, constituting bicameral acceptance and mandatory for legal validity.

2.5.5. **Initial Adoption of the Resolution:** The first and sole adoption of this Governance Resolution occurs through Qualified Voting, providing legitimacy for its initial entry into force. Subsequent amendments and decisions are governed by clauses 2.5.2., 2.5.3., and 2.5.4.

2.5.6. **Activation and Appointment of Qualified Verifiers:** The initial appointment of seven trusted address holders required to activate qualified

confirmation is done by Qualified Voting. All subsequent appointments (including scheduled rotation or replacement after dismissal) are also made by Qualified Voting, provided candidates meet requirements in 2.8.1.

2.5.7. **Duration:**

2.5.7.1. **Standard Duration:** All on-chain votings have a standard duration of seven days.

2.5.7.2. **Activation Duration:** Initial adoption of the Resolution and activation of qualified verifiers have a duration of fourteen days.

2.6. **Grants:** The Association undertakes to publish assignments for required research or development on its website and attract Teams to conduct them, using raised FT funds to pay Grants.

2.7. **Funds:** The Association must maintain the Special Research Fund ("SRF"), Special Development Fund ("SDF"), Awareness Raising Fund ("ARF"), and Legal Support Fund ("LSF") above minimum thresholds set in the Asset Reserving and Risk Management Policy.

2.8. **Qualified Verifiers:** In addition to general provisions in Section 2, Qualified Verifiers (trusted address holders with qualified confirmation rights) are subject to mandatory requirements and procedures.

2.8.1. **Requirements for Qualified Verifiers:** Candidates must meet these criteria at appointment:

2.8.1.1. **Jurisdictional Diversification Principle:** To mitigate regulatory and sanction risks, no more than two of the seven verifiers may be citizens or tax residents of the same jurisdiction. Candidates must disclose jurisdiction(s) of tax residency before appointment vote.

2.8.1.2. **Independence Principle:** Verifiers must act independently. Candidates affiliated (including close relatives or business partners) with existing verifiers are ineligible.

2.8.1.3. **Term** (Rotation): Verifier's term is limited to three years from appointment, automatically ending afterward. The same person or controlled entity may be reappointed for one consecutive term only.

2.8.2. **Verifier Removal Procedure:** Beyond clause 3.3., an emergency removal mechanism is introduced:

2.8.2.1. **Initiation:** Any member (Governance Token holder) may initiate an on-chain vote ("Removal Vote") to immediately terminate a specific verifier's authority.

2.8.2.2. **Special Procedure:** This Removal Vote does not require subsequent qualified confirmation.

2.8.2.3. **Qualified Majority:** Removal is effective immediately if approved by qualified majority.

2.8.2.4. **Quorum:** Removal votes with less than 50% participation of circulating Governance Tokens are invalid.

2.8.2.5. **Consequences:** Upon successful removal, the verifier's cryptographic address is immediately removed from multisignature. The Association must initiate appointment of a new verifier within 30 days.

3. Representation and Mandate

3.1. **Authorized Representatives:** The Association may appoint Authorized Representatives to perform specific external actions, enter agreements with legal and natural persons, and ensure Mission fulfillment.

3.2. **Mandate:** Representatives' authorities are defined in the "Mandate" document, tied to the position/mandate, not to individual name or address.

3.3. **Appointment and Change:** Appointment, modification, and termination of representatives' authorities are effected through a separate "Executive Act" via Voting with Qualified Confirmation, except for verifier appointment/removal governed by clauses 2.5.6 and 2.8.2.

3.4. **Compensation:** Authorized Representatives receive no fees or salary. The Association reimburses reasonable documented expenses incurred performing mandate duties within Executive Act budget per the Expense Reimbursement Policy.

3.5. **Requirements:** The Data Protection Officer ("DPO") position must be held by a natural or legal person who (a) holds proven qualification in Swiss law or international compliance, OR (b) assumes fiduciary obligation to immediately engage a licensed third-party compliance service provider accredited in a FATF-equivalent jurisdiction to perform EDD and SAR reporting per the AML Policy. The DPO is personally responsible for timely engagement. The DPO must appoint an external Data Processor acting as a separate controller or processor. Collection and storage of all Personal Identifiers obtained via KYC/KYB are conducted solely by the Data Processor per the Privacy Policy and applicable data protection laws (including nDSG and GDPR).

4. Entry into Force and Amendments

4.1. **Entry into Force:** This Resolution enters into force upon successful completion of the approving on-chain vote. Proof is the vote transaction hash automatically generated and published by protocol.

4.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments require Voting with Qualified Confirmation.

4.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association website, software, and tokens after amendment publication constitutes user acceptance of the updated Governance Resolution.

Mandate

1. General Provisions

1.1. **Subject:** This Mandate defines the general authorities, obligations, and conditions of activity granted to Authorized Representatives (hereinafter “Representative”) of the New Epoch Association (hereinafter the “Association”).

1.2. **Purpose:** The Mandate establishes the framework within which the Representative may act on behalf of the Association to fulfill the Association’s Mission, as defined in the Governance Resolution.

1.3. **Authority Binding:** Authorities are granted within the framework of a specific position (e.g., “Public Relations Coordinator,” “Data Protection Coordinator”), not to an individual. Appointment of a specific cryptographic address holder to a position is effected by an Executive Act.

1.4. **Applicable Law:** This Mandate is governed by substantive Swiss law. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Rights and Authorities

2.1. **Granting of Authorities:** The Representative may be granted authorities that become effective only after explicit activation and limitation in the corresponding Executive Act.

2.1.1. General Authorities:

2.1.1.1. **Administrative Support:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at administratively supporting the Association's activities, including concluding, amending, terminating Agreements with specialists and organizations providing hosting, cloud computing, accounting, and other services to ensure uninterrupted operation of the website, software, governance protocols, Tokens, and other Association resources and services.

2.1.1.2. **Outsourcing Support:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at outsourcing support of the Association's activities, including concluding, amending, terminating Agreements with specialists, experts, and organizations to perform technically complex tasks requiring high qualification.

2.1.1.3. **Financial Support:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at financially supporting the Association's activities, including concluding, amending, terminating Agreements with specialists and organizations to obtain consultations and/or manage Assets in compliance with the Hedging and Asset Management Policy,

Asset Reserving and Risk Management Policy, Expense Reimbursement Policy, and other Association Policies.

2.1.1.4. **Legal Support:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at legally supporting the Association's activities, including concluding, amending, terminating Agreements with consultants, lawyers, experts, and organizations to ensure compliance with the Governance Resolution and other Association documents, and to provide comprehensive legal protection of the Association's interests (including intellectual property rights transfer).

2.1.1.5. **Security Support:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at ensuring the secure operation of the Association, including concluding, amending, terminating Agreements with specialists and organizations providing data protection services (including DPO for GDPR implementation), compliance audits (including KYC/AML providers), security audits (including smart contract and financial audits), protection of authorized representatives, Teams, and events to comply with the Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy, Smart Contract and On-Chain Transaction Risk Management Policy, Privacy Policy, Cookie Policy, and other Association Policies.

2.1.1.6. **Technical Support:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at technically supporting the Association's activities, including concluding, amending, terminating Agreements with specialists and organizations providing website and smart contract maintenance services to ensure operation of the website, governance protocols, Tokens, and other Association resources and services, as well as their development to fulfill the Mission.

2.1.2. **Special Authorities:**

2.1.2.1. **Event Participation:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at participating in events to fulfill the Association's Mission, including concluding, amending, terminating Agreements with specialists and organizations to prepare and conduct negotiations, presentations, and reports.

2.1.2.2. **Event Organization:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at organizing events to fulfill the Association's Mission, including concluding, amending, terminating Agreements with specialists and organizations to prepare and conduct presentations, discussions, forums, conferences, seminars, and award ceremonies.

2.1.2.3. **Awareness Raising:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at raising public awareness to fulfill the Association's Mission, including concluding, amending, terminating Agreements with opinion leaders, specialists (including translators), experts, and organizations to conduct campaigns informing on research and development outcomes as well as on the Association's activities and Mission.

2.1.2.4. **Strategic Partnerships:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at concluding strategic partnerships to fulfill the Mission, including concluding, amending, terminating cooperation Agreements with opinion leaders, specialists, experts, and organizations for joint mutually accelerating development.

2.1.2.5. **Team Liaison:** The right to create, develop, and adjust processes aimed at establishing and maintaining liaison with Teams to fulfill the Mission, including providing access to confidential information, internal working ecosystems, participation in analytical

sessions, receipt of work results, as well as communication and consulting to increase the likelihood of Project implementation.

2.1.2.6. **Qualified Confirmation:** The Representative acting as a qualified verifier is granted the exclusive authority to perform technical and cryptographic verification (signing) of on-chain transactions (Executive Acts) in accordance with the Governance Resolution requirements. This authority is strictly limited to verifying transactions' compliance with the Governance Resolution provisions and does not include the right to make operational or financial decisions or to initiate transactions independently. The Representative in this capacity performs a limited fiduciary role.

3. Limits and Restrictions

3.1. **Representation Authority:** The Representative within the scope of their position is entitled to enter into agreements and make legally significant actions with third parties (legal and natural persons) on behalf of the Association.

3.2. **Authority Limits:** The Representative's authorities are strictly limited by their position, this Mandate's provisions, and the relevant Executive Act. The Representative is not permitted to exceed the budget established by the Executive Act.

3.3. **Liability Limitation:** All agreements concluded by the Representative on behalf of the Association must include a clause stating that the Association's obligations are limited to assets controlled by the Association's smart contracts and do not extend to the personal property of community members or the Representative.

3.4. **Legal Protection:** The Representative acting within their authorities is covered by all provisions of the Indemnity Agreement, effective simultaneously with the corresponding Executive Act.

4. Representative's Obligations

4.1. **Good Faith and Diligence:** The Representative undertakes to act honestly, with due professional diligence, and exclusively in the best interests of the Association's Mission and community.

4.2. **Legal Compliance:** The Representative must comply with all applicable international and national laws, including but not limited to anti-money laundering, counter-terrorism financing, and sanction regimes (in accordance with the Association's Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy).

4.3. **Reporting:** The Representative shall maintain records of all expenses incurred and agreements entered into and provide progress reports on mandate fulfillment upon Association request via on-chain transaction at any reasonable time.

5. Remuneration and Compensation

5.1. **Absence of Remuneration:** The Representative receives no fees or salary for performing duties under the Mandate.

5.2. **Expense Compensation:** The Association commits to compensating reasonable, necessary, and documented expenses incurred by the Representative solely within the scope of Mandate authorities. Compensation is within limits established by the relevant Executive Act.

6. Entry into Force and Amendment

6.1. **Entry into Force:** This Mandate enters into force simultaneously with the date and time the Governance Resolution enters into force.

6.2. **Amendment:** Any amendments to this Mandate may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed according to provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

Executive Act on the Appointment of [SPECIFY POSITION OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE]

1. General Provisions

1.1. **Subject:** This Executive Act (hereinafter the “Act”) is the legal mechanism by which the New Epoch Association (hereinafter the “Association”) carries out the appointment, termination, or modification of the authorities of a specific Authorized Representative of the Association (hereinafter the “Representative”).

1.2. **Purpose:** The Act provides flexible management of specific Mandates, linking the general authorities established in the “Mandate” document to a specific person, term, and budget.

1.3. **Applicable Law:** This Act is governed by substantive Swiss law. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Appointment and Identification

2.1. **Appointment:** Hereby, the Association appoints the holder of the cryptographic address [CRYPTOGRAPHIC WALLET ADDRESS] as a Representative of the Association.

2.2. **Mandate:** The Representative is appointed to execute selectively activated powers from the Mandate.

3. Activation and Limitation of Authorities

3.1. **Activated Authorities:** The Representative is authorized to act exclusively within the following sections of the Mandate:

- [SPECIFY AUTHORITIES, e.g., “2.1.1.1. Administrative Support,” and if necessary, SUPPLEMENT OR SPECIFY FURTHER, e.g., “concluding Service Agreements for domain name acquisition and Service Agreements for acquiring and maintaining a dedicated server for the website”].

3.2. **Financial Limitations:** The authorities are supported by a budget of [SPECIFY AMOUNT IN FT TOKENS, USD EQUIVALENTS, OR OTHER CURRENCY], allocated from the [SPECIFY FUND NAME] to cover reasonable and necessary expenses incurred within the scope of the Mandate authorities. This limitation applies to all transactions initiated by the Representative, regardless of funding source. Fund allocation is formalized by an on-chain transaction.

3.3. **Term:** The Representative’s authorities are granted for a term of [SPECIFY TERM, e.g., 3 months] from the effective date of this Act and automatically terminate upon expiration or upon reaching the Financial Limitation, whichever occurs first.

3.4. **Tax Compliance:** The Representative confirms awareness of and agreement with the Tax Compliance Policy terms, assumes exclusive responsibility for tax declaration and payment, and indemnifies the Association from secondary tax liability.

4. Termination of Authorities

4.1. **Termination:** The Representative's authorities terminate upon any of the following events:

4.1.1. Expiration of the term specified in clause 3.3 of this Act.

4.1.2. Decision of the Association on termination of the Representative's authorities adopted via successful on-chain voting.

4.1.3. Notification of voluntary resignation of authorities by the Representative delivered to the Association by on-chain transaction.

4.2. **Exceptions:** Termination of the Representative's authorities under this Act does not affect their entitlement to indemnity for acts performed prior to termination date, provided such acts are not excluded under the Indemnity Agreement.

5. Acceptance and Entry into Force

5.1. **Acceptance:** This Act enters into force upon the date and time of successful completion of Voting with Qualified Confirmation, by which it was approved. Qualified Confirmation, as defined in the Governance Resolution, is the collective legal attestation of all requirements having been met.

5.2. **Protection:** From the moment of entry into force of this Act, all provisions of the Mandate Agreement and Indemnity Agreement automatically apply to the Representative, becoming effective simultaneously with this Act.

Mandate Agreement

1. Parties and Subject

1.1. **Parties:** This Mandate Agreement (hereinafter the “Agreement”) is entered into between the New Epoch Association (hereinafter the “Association”), operating as a decentralized autonomous association, and the Authorized Representative (hereinafter the “Representative”), holder of the cryptographic address specified in the respective Executive Act.

1.2. **Subject:** The Representative undertakes to perform actions specified in the “Mandate” document and the respective Executive Act, in the interests of and on behalf of the Association.

1.3. **Hierarchy:** In case of conflict between provisions of this Agreement and the Indemnity Agreement, precedence shall be given to the provisions that most effectively protect the interests of the Association. Otherwise, in case of discrepancy, the provisions of the Governance Resolution and the Mandate prevail over this Agreement.

2. Duties and Compensation

2.1. **Duties:** The Representative undertakes to perform assigned functions in accordance with the Mandate, Executive Act, and Governance Resolution, acting with due diligence and exclusively in the interests of the Association's Mission.

2.1.1. **Fiduciary Duty:** The Representative acknowledges that compliance duties have a fiduciary nature toward the Association, its members, and applicable law. In cases of gross negligence or willful violation of the Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy, the Representative agrees to subsidiary liability for damages if indemnity is denied by the Association under that Policy.

2.2. **Compliance Duties:** The Representative must ensure that all actions within the Mandate strictly comply with:

2.2.1. The Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy.

2.2.2. The Asset Reserving and Risk Management Policy.

2.2.3. The Association's Tax Compliance Policy, including timely declaration and payment of all applicable taxes and fees in their jurisdiction arising from receipt of funds from the Association.

2.3. **Special Duties:** Representatives holding positions related to legal support, asset management, or qualified confirmation are obligated to:

2.3.1. Initiate risk-oriented KYC/KYB procedures for grant recipients exceeding the established threshold.

2.3.2. Initiate verification of on-chain addresses and/or identified persons against current sanctions lists (OFAC, UN, EU, SECO) prior to fund disbursement or contract conclusion.

2.4. Warranty of Absence: The Representative warrants that actions performed under this Mandate Agreement will not create risks of permanent establishment, tax agent, or employer status for the Association in their home jurisdiction.

2.5. Transfer of Rights: All rights to work results created within Mandate performance, including but not limited to copyrights, patents, code, design, documentation, or technical data, shall be transferred to the Association.

2.6. Absence of Remuneration: The Representative shall receive no fees or salary for performing duties.

2.7. Expense Compensation: The Association commits to providing funds to cover reasonable, necessary, and documented expenses incurred by the Representative in Mandate execution, within limits established by the respective Executive Act.

3. Liability and Indemnity

3.1. Limitation of Personal Liability: The Representative shall bear no personal liability to the Association or third parties for losses incurred as a result of good faith performance under the Mandate, except in cases of gross negligence, willful legal violation, or breach of obligations.

3.2. Legal Protection: From the Agreement's effective date, all provisions of the Indemnity Agreement apply to the Representative and become effective simultaneously with the respective Executive Act.

4. Termination of Agreement

4.1. Grounds for Termination: This Agreement terminates:

4.1.1. Upon expiration of the term specified in the Executive Act.

4.1.2. Upon the Association's decision to terminate the Representative's authorities by on-chain voting.

4.1.3. Upon voluntary resignation notification by the Representative delivered by on-chain notice to the Association.

4.2. **Obligations upon Termination:** After termination, the Representative shall finalize all ongoing matters without exceeding the approved budget and report on activities to the Association community.

5. Applicable Law and Dispute Resolution

5.1. **Applicable Law:** This Agreement is governed by substantive Swiss law. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) applies subsidiarily.

5.2. **Dispute Resolution:** All disputes arising from or related to this Agreement shall be finally resolved in accordance with the Association's Conflict Resolution and Ethics Regulation.

6. Entry into Force and Term

6.1. **Entry into Force:** This Agreement becomes effective simultaneously with the effective date and time of the respective Executive Act. Acceptance of authorities by the Representative is confirmed by an on-chain Acceptance transaction executed by the holder of the appointed cryptographic address.

6.2. **Amendment:** Any amendments may only be made by Voting with Qualified Confirmation following provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

6.3. **Term:** The term of this Agreement is determined by the Executive Act appointing the Representative to the specific position.

Indemnity Agreement

1. Parties and Subject

1.1. **Parties:** This Indemnity Agreement (hereinafter the “Agreement”) is entered into between the New Epoch Association (hereinafter the “Association”), operating as a decentralized autonomous association, and the Authorized Representative (hereinafter the “Representative”), holder of the cryptographic address specified in the respective Executive Act.

1.2. **Subject:** The Association undertakes to indemnify (hold harmless and cover losses) the Representative regarding certain liabilities and expenses arising from activities performed within the scope of granted authorities.

1.3. **Document Hierarchy:** In case of conflict between provisions of this Agreement and the Mandate Agreement, precedence shall be given to the provisions that most effectively protect the interests of the Association.

1.4. **Applicable Law and Dispute Resolution:** This Agreement is governed by substantive Swiss law. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) applies subsidiarily. Disputes are resolved in accordance with the Conflict Resolution and Ethics Regulation.

2. Indemnity and Expense Coverage

2.1. **Scope of Indemnity:** The Association commits to fully indemnify the Representative against any claims, litigation, losses, expenses (including reasonable legal fees and defense costs), fines, fees, and obligations arising from or in connection with any acts, omissions, or decisions undertaken by the Representative within his/her authorized scope defined by the Mandate and relevant Executive Act.

2.2. **Legal Defense:** The Association commits to allocate funds (within smart contract-controlled limits) to cover all costs related to legal defense and litigation that the Representative may incur in connection with activities compliant with the Act and Mandate.

2.3. **Limitation of Obligations:** All indemnity obligations of the Association are limited to assets controlled by the Association's smart contracts and do not extend to the personal assets of Association community members.

3. Indemnity Exclusions

3.1. **Exclusions:** The indemnity provided under this Agreement does not cover losses, liabilities, or expenses resulting from:

3.1.1. Intentional wrongful conduct of the Representative;

3.1.2. Fraud or breach of trust;

3.1.3. Gross negligence or willful exceeding of authority limits set by the Mandate or Executive Act.

3.2. **Right to Refuse:** Upon suspicion that circumstances fall under exclusions, the Association reserves the right to conduct an on-chain vote to determine the advisability of providing legal support and indemnity.

4. Entry into Force and Termination

4.1. **Entry into Force:** This Agreement enters into force simultaneously with the effective date and time of the respective Executive Act.

4.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments to this Agreement may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation according to provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

4.3. **Termination:** The Indemnity Agreement terminates simultaneously with the termination of the Representative's authorities; however, the right to indemnity remains regarding acts performed during the valid Mandate period.

Grant and Intellectual Property Agreement

1. Subject of the Agreement

1.1. **Subject:** This Grant and Intellectual Property Agreement (hereinafter the "Agreement") governs the interaction between the New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association"), a decentralized autonomous association, and any person (hereinafter the "Participant") acting on behalf of a scientific, research, or technical team (hereinafter the "Team") that has accepted this Agreement by

registering to participate in the implementation of a special project (hereinafter the “Project”).

1.2. **Acceptance:** Completing and submitting the registration form to participate in the implementation of the Association’s Project constitutes unconditional acceptance of this Agreement.

1.3. **Subject:** The Association grants the Participant a financial Grant in the form of Formation Tokens (hereinafter “FT”) or the fiat currency equivalent (at the exchange rate on the transaction date) for the first successful implementation of the Project (research or development detailed in the technical assignment on the Association’s website) with immediate and irrevocable transfer of all rights to the created Intellectual Property (hereinafter “IP”) into the public domain.

1.4. **Hierarchy:** This Agreement is subordinate to the Association’s Governance Resolution. In case of contradictions between this Agreement and any other Association document, the Governance Resolution and the Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy prevail.

1.5. **Applicable Law:** This Agreement is governed by substantive Swiss law. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Grant Terms

2.1. **Grant:** The Grant is targeted funding representing the transfer of the amount specified in the Project description in Formation Tokens or fiat equivalent (at transaction date exchange rate) to the Participant.

2.2. **Project:** The name, goals, technical requirements, deadlines, milestones, as well as the size, procedure, and timing of Grant tranche payments are defined in the technical assignment on the Project page on the Association’s website.

2.3. **Initial Grant Tranche:** Provided for Participant Team preparation. Issuance condition: Issued based on the Association's decision (Voting with Qualified Confirmation) confirming successful evaluation of the Participant Team, its resources, and action plan exceeding the Project's technical assignment requirements.

2.4. **Intermediate Grant Tranche:** Provided to incentivize demonstration of interim results. Issuance condition: Issued based on the Association's decision (Voting with Qualified Confirmation) confirming successful demonstration of results by the Participant Team exceeding Project technical assignment requirements.

2.5. **Final Grant Tranche:** Provided for final and confirmed achievement of the required Project outcome. Issuance condition: Issued based on the Association's decision (Voting with Qualified Confirmation) and only to the first Participant (Team) publicly confirming achievement of the required result as per Project technical assignment.

2.6. **Issuance:** All Grant tranches are issued from the Special Development Fund via on-chain transaction in accordance with the Asset Reserving and Risk Management Policy.

2.7. **Ceremony:** The Participant awarded the Final Grant Tranche shall participate in a public award ceremony organized by the Association to communicate the Association's Mission to the public. The Final Grant Tranche is issued during or after this ceremony.

3. Limitation of Liability

3.1. **Acknowledgment:** The Participant acknowledges that the Association's Tokens (FT and GT) are not securities, investment contracts, or equity shares.

3.2. **Limitation:** The Association's financial liability under this Agreement is strictly limited to assets controlled by the Association's smart contracts. The Association is not liable for indirect losses or lost profits of the Participant.

4. Intellectual Property

4.1. Transfer to Public Domain:

4.1.1. **Irrevocable Transfer:** As a mandatory condition for receiving any Grant under this Agreement, the Participant irrevocably and immediately transfers all Intellectual Property (including but not limited to inventions, patents, source code, scientific articles, data, drawings) created within or as a result of the Project (hereinafter "Results") into the public domain upon publication or transfer to the Association.

4.1.2. **Waiver of Rights:** The Participant agrees not to claim any copyrights, patent rights, or other exclusive rights relating to IP created within the Project and undertakes all necessary actions (including transferring Results to the Association for Creative Commons Zero licensing and open repository publication) to secure its public domain status.

4.1.3. **Breach:** Breach of this obligation by the Participant (e.g., attempting to patent Project IP) entails an obligation to immediately return all received Grants and reimburse all related legal expenses.

4.2. Participant Warranties:

4.2.1. **Right to Transfer:** The Participant guarantees sole and full ownership of all Results and full right to transfer them into the public domain.

4.2.2. **No Infringement:** The Participant guarantees that Results do not infringe third-party copyrights, patents, or other rights.

4.2.3. **Team Agreement:** The Participant undertakes to ensure each Team member involved in the Project signs an agreement confirming immediate transfer of all their rights to created IP within the Results and thereby to the public domain.

5. Compliance, Audit, and Sanctions

5.1. **KYC/KYB:** The Participant agrees to undergo risk-oriented KYC (“Know Your Client”) or KYB (“Know Your Business”) procedures required by the Association’s Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy.

5.2. **Sanction Regime:** The Participant confirms that neither it nor its beneficiaries or key Team members are listed in current sanctions lists including but not limited to OFAC, UN, EU, or SECO.

5.3. **Refusal of Issuance:** The Association reserves the right to immediately and unilaterally terminate this Agreement and refuse issuance of any undisbursed Grant if:

5.3.1. Violation of KYC/KYB or sanction requirements is detected;

5.3.2. Knowingly false or incomplete information is provided.

5.4. **Tax Liability:** The Participant acknowledges sole and exclusive responsibility for payment of all taxes, duties, and fees applicable to the received Grant in any jurisdiction. The Participant agrees to independently consult its tax advisor. The Association does not act as the Participant’s tax agent.

6. Dispute Resolution

6.1. **Mandatory Arbitration:** All disputes, disagreements, or claims arising out of or in connection with this Agreement are subject to final resolution by mandatory arbitration according to the Arbitration Rules incorporated herein by reference and forming an integral part of this Agreement.

6.2. **Jurisdiction Exclusion:** The Parties exclude the jurisdiction of state courts for disputes arising out of this Agreement.

6.3. **Costs:** In event of litigation or arbitration, the Association is not obliged to reimburse the Participant's legal defense costs or litigation expenses. The provisions of the Indemnity Agreement do not apply to the Participant.

7. Entry into Force and Termination

7.1. **Entry into Force:** This Agreement enters into force upon the date of Acceptance by the Participant and remains effective until full performance of obligations by the Parties, including Grant payment and IP transfer to the public domain.

7.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments to this Agreement may only be made by Voting with Qualified Confirmation in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

7.3. **Unilateral Termination by the Association:** The Association may unilaterally terminate this Agreement in case of:

7.3.1. Participant's failure to meet Project deadlines set in the Project's technical assignment;

7.3.2. Material breach of IP warranties;

7.3.3. Violation of compliance and sanction requirements.

7.4. **Consequences of Termination:** In case of termination due to Participant fault, the Association retains rights to all created Results and is not obliged to pay any remaining Grant portion.

7.5. **Notice:** Termination notice shall be sent to the Participant's email address provided upon registration.

Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy

1. General Provisions and Principles

1.1. **Subject:** This Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy (hereinafter the "Policy") establishes the principles and obligations of the New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association") aimed at counteracting money laundering (hereinafter "AML"), terrorism financing (hereinafter "CTF"), and ensuring compliance with international sanctions regimes.

1.2. **Legal Compliance:** The Association strives to comply with applicable international law and national AML/CTF and sanctions regulations, to the extent possible within a decentralized autonomous association framework.

1.3. **Applicable Law:** This Policy is governed by substantive Swiss law. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) applies subsidiarily.

2. Risk-Based Approach and KYC/KYB

2.1. **Risk-Based Approach Principle:** The Association applies a risk-based approach recognizing the decentralized and open nature of its community. Accordingly, identification procedures (KYC/KYB) apply only to transactions and persons posing the highest regulatory risks.

2.2. **Mandatory Identification:** Identification procedures are mandatory in the following cases:

2.2.1. **Authorized Representatives:** All persons appointed to any Authorized Representative position must undergo KYC procedures.

2.2.2. **Large Grants:** All persons or organizations receiving Grants whose total value exceeds the equivalent of 10,000 USD within any 12-month period must undergo KYC or KYB procedures.

2.3. **Exceptions:** KYC/KYB procedures are not required for ordinary holders of Formation Tokens ("FT") or Governance Tokens ("GT"), whose participation is limited to token holding, voting, or receipt of minor rewards below the threshold specified in 2.2.2 of this Policy.

3. Decentralized Compliance and Qualified Confirmation

3.1. **Verification Duty:** The obligation to initiate AML/Sanctions screening and due diligence concerning all counterparties (Grant recipients and external contractors) receiving funds from the Funds lies with trusted addresses participating in the Qualified Confirmation mechanism.

3.2. **Confirmation Procedure:** Qualified Confirmation required to activate an Executive Act (including but not limited to Fund disbursements) is the legal attestation by each Qualified Verifier (“Verifier”) who signed that they conducted counterparty verification in accordance with this Policy.

3.3. **Personal Accountability:** Each Verifier bears personal responsibility for compliance with procedures stipulated in their Mandate Agreement when issuing cryptographic signatures.

4. Counteraction Procedures

4.1. Authorized Representatives’ Duties:

4.1.1. **Transaction Analysis:** Authorized Representatives (appointed under the Executive Act) must conduct reasonable and necessary analysis of transactions and user behavior if required for fulfilling the Grant and Intellectual Property Agreement, contract compliance, or upon reasonable suspicion of illegal activity including AML/CTF violations.

4.1.2. **Response Measures:** Upon reasonable suspicion, Authorized Representatives must promptly notify the Association community of the need for measures which may include refusal to conclude agreements, transaction cancellation, initiation of on-chain voting to block addresses, or other actions compliant with applicable law.

4.2. **Sanctions Lists:** The Association commits not to direct Grants or enter agreements with persons listed on international sanctions lists including but not limited to United Nations, US, EU, Switzerland, and other applicable jurisdictions.

4.3. **Reasonable Suspicion Criteria:** For purposes of this Policy, reasonable suspicion arises when objective evaluation of facts indicates a transaction, counterparty, or asset may be linked to illegal activities, money laundering, tax evasion, sanctions violations, or sources incompatible with the Association's stated mission. This includes but is not limited to:

4.3.1. **Red Flags:** Use of cryptocurrency mixers/obfuscators (e.g., Tornado Cash), transactions with addresses linked to darknet, extortion, phishing attacks, or persons/entities listed by FATF (gray/black lists) or high-risk AML/CTF jurisdictions.

4.3.2. **Enhanced Due Diligence:** Occurrence of any 4.3.1 criteria initiates Enhanced Due Diligence procedures requiring additional documentation and source-of-funds analysis by Verifiers and Authorized Representatives.

5. Countering International Sanctions

5.1. **Prohibition of Transactions with Sanctioned Entities:** Any transactions, contracts, or interactions, direct or indirect, with natural or legal persons, organizations, or territories subject to international sanctions are strictly prohibited, including but not limited to the following lists:

5.1.1. OFAC (Office of Foreign Assets Control, USA).

5.1.2. European Union Consolidated List.

5.1.3. UN Security Council Sanctions List.

5.1.4. Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO).

5.2. **Legal Risk Assessment Duty:** Verifiers must use provided Compliance Check Reports to conduct due diligence and legal risk assessments per the Due Diligence Regulation regarding:

5.2.1. On-chain addresses of all appointed Authorized Representatives.

5.2.2. On-chain addresses of all Grant recipients.

5.3. **Blocking and Reporting:** On detection of matches or reasonable suspicion of sanctions violations, the Authorized Representative must immediately:

5.3.1. Block or suspend the relevant transaction or contract execution.

5.3.2. File a suspicious activity report for Association review.

5.3.3. Where required, prepare and submit a suspicious activity report to the Swiss Money Laundering Reporting Office (MROS) and, if mandated by law, other relevant regulators, regardless of on-chain voting.

6. Record-Keeping and Confidentiality

6.1. **Data Storage:** All Personally Identifiable Data ("PID") obtained via KYC/KYB procedures shall be collected and stored exclusively by an external Data Processor. The Data Processor ensures encrypted storage and retention as required by Swiss law. Authorized Representatives and Verifiers do not collect or locally store raw PID.

6.2. **Data Security:** Collected PID is stored in encrypted, isolated repositories with restricted access in strict accordance with the Association's Privacy Policy and applicable data protection laws (including Swiss nDSG and where applicable GDPR).

6.3. **Access Restriction:** Raw PID access is strictly limited to authorized personnel of the appointed Data Processor. Authorized Representatives and Verifiers receive only verification results (e.g., "Verification Passed/Failed") and Compliance Check Reports from the Data Processor. Access to raw PID by the Governance Operator is allowed only upon motivated written request in security incident investigations or official regulator inquiries.

7. Violations and Consequences

7.1. **Gross Violation:** Non-compliance with this Policy by an Authorized Representative, including intentional concealment of information, constitutes a gross breach of duty and may result in termination of their authority via on-chain voting.

7.2. **Consequences:** Gross violation may lead to:

7.2.1. Immediate termination of the Mandate Agreement via on-chain voting.

7.2.2. Denial of indemnity provision under the Indemnity Agreement.

7.2.3. Civil or criminal liability under applicable law.

8. Limitation of Liability

8.1. **Liability Limitation:** The user acknowledges that despite the Association's efforts to comply with applicable laws, the Association, its members, and Authorized

Representatives bear no liability for damages caused by third parties violating AML/CTF legislation or sanctions regimes.

8.2. **Cooperation:** Upon lawful requests for information from competent state authorities, the Association may initiate on-chain voting to consider cooperation possibilities, provided such does not conflict with decentralization principles and applicable law.

9. Entry into Force and Amendments

9.1. **Entry into Force:** This Policy enters into force simultaneously with the effective date and time of the Governance Resolution.

9.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments to this Policy may only be made by Voting with Qualified Confirmation in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

9.3. **Notification:** Continued use of the website, software, and Association Tokens after publication of amendments constitutes user agreement with the updated Policy.

Hedging and Asset Management Policy

1. General Provisions and Purpose

1.1. **Subject:** This Hedging and Asset Management Policy (hereinafter the “Policy”) establishes rules, limits, and procedures for managing assets under the control of the New Epoch Association’s smart contracts (hereinafter the “Association Assets”).

1.2. **Purpose:** The primary purpose is the preservation of the Association’s capital and the minimization of volatility risk to ensure the Association’s long-term obligations for Grant payments and Mission financing, as well as to enhance transparency for the community.

1.3. **Applicable Law:** This Policy is governed by substantive Swiss law. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) applies subsidiarily.

2. Asset Management Principles

2.1. **Capital Preservation Priority:** The main principle of Asset management is capital preservation over speculative profit.

2.2. **Liquidity:** The Association is obliged to maintain sufficient liquidity to cover current and forecasted operating expenses and Grant payments.

2.3. **Transparency:** All Asset management actions, including hedging decisions and transfers, must be initiated or approved via the Association’s on-chain voting.

3. Strategies and Limits

3.1. **Asset Segmentation:** The Association’s Assets are divided into two main portfolios:

3.1.1. **Operational Portfolio (OP):** Funds required to cover expenses over the next 12 months (grants, compensations, operating expenses).

3.1.2. **Strategic Portfolio (SP):** Long-term reserves to finance the Mission.

3.2. **Stablecoin Limit:** At least 70% of the Operational Portfolio must be denominated in stablecoins pegged to the primary Grant currency (e.g., USD equivalents) to minimize volatility risk.

3.3. **Hedging Limit:** Hedging decisions are made exclusively for the Operational Portfolio to protect against exchange rate risks in the payment of approved Grants denominated in fiat currencies. Use of high-risk derivatives is prohibited.

4. Execution Procedures

4.1. **Transaction Initiation:** Any Asset management action (purchase/sale of stablecoins, hedging) must be initiated by the Authorized Representative appointed for financial provision in accordance with their Executive Act.

4.2. **Approval Requirement:** All transactions exceeding the threshold of 1,000 USD require Voting with Qualified Confirmation, performed according to provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

4.3. **Reporting:** The Authorized Representative appointed for financial provision is obliged to publish a quarterly Asset report including current Portfolio composition, hedging results, and compliance with this Policy.

5. Entry into Force and Amendments

5.1. **Entry into Force:** This Policy enters into force simultaneously with the effective date and time of the Governance Resolution.

5.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments to this Policy may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation according to provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

5.3. **Notification:** Continued use of the website, software, and Association Tokens after publication of amendments constitutes user acceptance of the updated Policy.

Asset Reservation and Risk Management Policy

1. General Provisions and Objectives

1.1. **Hierarchy:** This Asset Reservation and Risk Management Policy (hereinafter the "Policy") is a mandatory act enacted by the Governance Resolution. It supplements, but does not contradict, the provisions on financial management established in the Executive Act.

1.2. **Objective:** The primary objective of the Policy is the mandatory formation and maintenance of Asset Reserve Funds to cover special research and development, public awareness activities, potential legal expenses, indemnity provision for Authorized Representatives, and systematic management of key operational and financial risks of the Association.

1.3. **Terminology:** For the purposes of this Policy, the "Special Research Fund" (hereinafter "SRF"), the "Special Development Fund" (hereinafter "SDF"), the "Awareness Raising Fund" (hereinafter "ARF"), and the "Legal Support Fund" (hereinafter "LSF") mean internally segregated and reserved financial reserves within

the general Assets of the Association, established in accordance with the Governance Resolution to ensure targeted financing of the respective activity areas.

1.4. **Applicable Law:** This Policy is governed by the substantive law of Switzerland. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Special Research Fund

2.1. **Purpose:** The Association is obliged to create and constantly maintain the SRF, which is a specialized, liquid reserve. The SRF is intended exclusively to cover:

2.1.1. Expenses for conducting specialized research according to the requirements of technical specifications of the respective Projects published on the Association's website.

2.1.2. Expenses for informational support of Teams conducting specialized developments according to the requirements of technical specifications of the respective Projects published on the Association's website.

2.1.3. Expenses for advisory support of Teams conducting specialized developments according to the requirements of technical specifications of the respective Projects published on the Association's website.

2.2. **Mandatory Threshold:** The Association undertakes to maintain a minimum threshold of liquid assets in the SRF equivalent to 10% of the total value of the Association's Assets.

2.3. **Asset Form:** SRF assets must be held primarily in highly liquid, minimally risky digital assets (e.g., audited stablecoins) placed in a dedicated smart contract with restricted spending access.

2.4. **Activation Condition:** SRF funds may only be spent in connection with the need for specialized information to enhance the effectiveness of specialized developments by Teams, and only if such spending corresponds to the technical specification requirements of the respective Projects and/or the Mission of the Association.

2.5. **Approval Procedure:** Any expenditure of SRF funds (except in emergency, urgent expenses) requires Qualified Confirmation (multisignature), executed in accordance with the Governance Resolution and initiated by the Association or a specially appointed Authorized Representative for team interaction.

2.6. **Fund Replenishment:** If the use of the SRF causes the balance to fall below the mandatory threshold, the Association must initiate fund replenishment to the minimum threshold through Voting with Qualified Confirmation for allocating funds from the Association's general Assets.

2.7. **Prohibition of Use:** Use of SRF funds for public awareness, Grant financing, legal protection, compliance, investment operations, or any other purposes not directly related to conducting specialized research is strictly prohibited.

3. Special Development Fund

3.1. **Purpose:** The Association is obliged to create and constantly maintain the SDF, which is a specialized, liquid reserve. The SDF is intended exclusively to cover:

3.1.1. Expenses for providing Grants in accordance with the Grant and Intellectual Property Agreement.

3.2. **Mandatory Threshold:** The Association undertakes to maintain a minimum threshold of liquid assets in the SDF equivalent to 15% of the total value of the Association's Assets.

3.3. **Asset Form:** SDF assets must be held primarily in highly liquid, minimally risky digital assets (e.g., audited stablecoins) placed in a dedicated smart contract with restricted spending access.

3.4. **Activation Condition:** SDF funds may be spent only in connection with the necessity to provide Grants to Teams, and only if such expenditure corresponds to the requirements of the technical specifications of the respective Projects and/or the Mission of the Association.

3.5. **Approval Procedure:** Any expenditure of SDF funds requires Qualified Confirmation (multisignature), executed in accordance with the Governance Resolution and initiated by the Association or a specially appointed Authorized Representative for team interaction.

3.6. **Fund Replenishment:** If the use of the SDF causes the balance to fall below the mandatory threshold, the Association must initiate fund replenishment to the minimum threshold through Voting with Qualified Confirmation for allocating funds from the Association's general Assets.

3.7. **Prohibition of Use:** Use of SDF funds for specialized research, public awareness, legal protection, compliance, investment operations, or any other purposes not directly related to financing Grants is strictly prohibited.

4. Awareness Raising Fund

4.1. **Purpose:** The Association is obliged to create and constantly maintain the ARF, which is a specialized, liquid reserve. The ARF is intended exclusively to cover:

4.1.1. Expenses for conducting campaigns to inform the public about the results of specialized research and development, as well as about the activities and Mission of the Association.

4.2. **Mandatory Threshold:** The Association undertakes to maintain a minimum threshold of liquid assets in the ARF equivalent to 10% of the total value of the Association's Assets.

4.3. **Asset Form:** ARF assets must be held primarily in highly liquid, minimally risky digital assets (e.g., audited stablecoins) placed in a dedicated smart contract with restricted spending access.

4.4. **Activation Condition:** ARF funds may be expended only in connection with insufficient public awareness for Mission implementation regarding the Association's activities, and only if such spending contributes to the realization of the Association's Mission.

4.5. **Approval Procedure:** Any expenditure of ARF funds requires Qualified Confirmation (multisignature), executed in accordance with the Governance Resolution and initiated by the Association or a specially appointed Authorized Representative for public awareness enhancement.

4.6. **Fund Replenishment:** If the use of the ARF causes the balance to fall below the mandatory threshold, the Association must initiate fund replenishment to the minimum threshold through Voting with Qualified Confirmation for allocating funds from the Association's general Assets.

4.7. **Prohibition of Use:** Use of ARF funds for specialized research, Grant financing, legal protection, compliance, investment operations, or any other purposes not directly related to enhancing public awareness of the Association's activities is strictly prohibited.

5. Legal Support Fund

5.1. **Purpose:** The Association is obliged to create and constantly maintain the LSF, which is a specialized, liquid reserve. The LSF is intended exclusively to cover:

5.1.1. Expenses for legal protection of Authorized Representatives in accordance with the Indemnity Agreement.

5.1.2. Expenses for arbitration proceedings, compliance audits, and mandatory legal consultations.

5.1.3. Expenses for engaging qualified legal and tax consultants to prepare general informational-legal memoranda (hereinafter "Informational Memoranda") concerning the probable tax regime of the Association, Grants receipt, or Token ownership in key jurisdictions (including but not limited to Switzerland, USA, Singapore, and EU countries). Disclaimer: Such Informational Memoranda are not tax, investment, or legal advice for specific individuals and under no circumstances replace the necessity for Participants and Authorized Representatives to obtain personal consultation from their own tax advisors. The Association is not responsible for their individual tax interpretation.

5.2. **Mandatory Threshold:** The Association undertakes to maintain a minimum threshold of liquid assets in the LSF equivalent to 5% of the total value of the Association's Assets.

5.3. **Asset Form:** LSF assets must be held primarily in highly liquid, minimally risky digital assets (e.g., audited stablecoins) placed in a dedicated smart contract with restricted spending access.

5.4. Activation Condition: LSF funds may be spent only in connection with imminent or actual legal proceedings, and only if such expenditure complies with the Association's obligations under the Indemnity Agreement.

5.5. Approval Procedure: Any expenditure of LSF funds (except for emergency, urgent legal expenses) requires Qualified Confirmation (multisignature), executed in accordance with the Governance Resolution and initiated by the Association or a specially appointed Authorized Representative for legal support.

5.6. Fund Replenishment: If the use of the LSF causes the balance to fall below the mandatory threshold, the Association must initiate fund replenishment to the minimum threshold through Voting with Qualified Confirmation for allocating funds from the Association's general Assets.

5.7. Prohibition of Use: Use of LSF funds for specialized research, Grant financing, public awareness, investment operations, coverage of personal tax obligations of fund recipients, or any other purposes not directly related to legal protection and compliance is strictly prohibited.

6. Risk Management Policy

6.1. Operational Risk: Authorized Representatives must conduct reasonable and necessary technical and legal analyses to reduce operational risks related to:

6.1.1. Interaction with third-party protocols (DeFi/DLT): Use only audited, verified, and widely recognized protocols; avoid protocols with high risk of default or centralized points of failure.

6.1.2. Storage security: Use best practices for storing private keys and passphrases, including multisignature application for access to primary assets.

6.1.3. **Use of bridges:** Use only audited, verified, and proven reliable bridges between blockchains.

6.2. **Market Risk:** The Association is not an investment fund. Authorized Representatives must avoid excessive concentration of assets in high-risk, volatile, or low-liquidity instruments. Major assets outside the LSF may only be invested through Voting with Qualified Confirmation after providing a comprehensive risk analysis.

6.3. **Regulatory Risk:** Authorized Representatives must ensure full and strict compliance with the requirements set forth in the Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy. This includes:

6.3.1. Initiating mandatory KYC/KYB procedures and sanction list checks.

6.3.2. Incorporating arbitration and applicable law provisions by reference into all international contracts, as provided by the Arbitration Rules.

7. Reporting and Audit

7.1. **Reporting:** The Authorized Representative for Legal Support is obliged to provide reports on LSF usage upon Association request through on-chain transaction at any time when reasonable grounds exist.

7.2. **Audit:** The Association may initiate an independent audit of its smart contracts, assets, and compliance procedures. Audit results must be presented to the Association's community via official notice published on the Association's website.

8. Effective Date and Amendments

8.1. **Effective Date:** This Policy becomes effective simultaneously with the date and time the Governance Resolution enters into force.

8.2. **Amendments:** Any changes to this Policy may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

8.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens after posting amendments signifies user acceptance of the updated Policy.

Tax Compliance Policy

1. General Provisions and Legal Status

1.1. **Subject:** This Tax Compliance Policy (hereinafter the "Policy") establishes mandatory requirements and procedures for all Fund Recipients (Authorized Representatives receiving compensation, Grant Recipients, Contract Executors, third parties) (hereinafter collectively "Recipients") regarding their tax obligations.

1.2. **Objective:** The primary objective of this Policy is to protect the Association from secondary tax liabilities, claims by tax authorities regarding permanent establishment status, employer status, and withholding tax obligations in the jurisdictions of the Recipients.

1.3. **Status:** The Association is a decentralized association pursuant to Art. 60 et seq. of the Swiss Civil Code. The Association is not an employer of the Recipients.

1.4. Nature of Payments: Payments made by the Association (compensations, Grants, service fees, expense reimbursements):

1.4.1. Are made for independent services or as unilateral Grants in support of the Mission.

1.4.2. Are not salaries or other payments under an employment contract, and accordingly, are not subject to social contributions and taxes on the part of the Association.

1.5. Tax Liability: The Association relies on the principle established in the Governance Resolution that all tax liability for received funds, including personal income tax (or equivalent), profit tax, VAT (or equivalent), and social contributions, fully lies with the Recipient.

1.6. Applicable Law: This Policy is governed by the substantive law of Switzerland. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Recipient Obligations

2.1. Determination of Tax Status: Each Recipient must independently determine their tax status, classification of received funds (as income, grant, reimbursement, or capital gain), and corresponding tax obligations in their home jurisdiction (tax residency jurisdiction).

2.2. Timely Payment: The Recipient must timely and fully pay all applicable taxes, fees, and mandatory contributions (social and medical insurance) arising from receiving funds from the Association.

2.3. **Liability:** Upon receiving Grants, the Recipient confirms awareness of their jurisdiction's legislation regarding grant taxation and assumes full responsibility for correct tax classification and reporting.

2.4. **Tax Reporting:** The Recipient is obliged to independently and timely file all required tax declarations and reports with competent authorities of their jurisdiction reflecting income received from the Association.

2.5. **Documentation Retention:** The Recipient must retain sufficient documentation (including the Executive act and on-chain transaction) for the period prescribed by the law of their home jurisdiction to substantiate the nature, amount, and date of funds received.

2.6. **Good Faith:** Upon Association request (e.g., within audit or in response to regulator inquiry), the Recipient must provide reasonable evidence of their tax good faith (e.g., notarized statement of independent contractor status, extract from tax legislation, or local tax consultant opinion).

2.7. **Control:** Recipients, especially Representatives, must comply with all requirements of the Association's Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy, including reporting transactions subject to mandatory control in their jurisdiction.

2.8. **Violations:** Violation of tax legislation in the Recipient's jurisdiction is considered by the Association as a breach of fiduciary duties established by the Mandate Agreement or Service Agreement and entails consequences prescribed by Section 4 of this Policy.

3. Association Protection and Indemnification

3.1. Representation: Each Recipient, by accepting funds from the Association, irrevocably represents and warrants that they are an independent entity and do not have employee or agent status of the Association capable of creating the Association's permanent establishment in their jurisdiction.

3.2. Indemnification: The Recipient agrees to indemnify the Association, its Representatives, and members against any claims, demands, fines, penalties, additional tax assessments, and legal costs arising from the Recipient's failure or improper compliance with tax or social legislation of their home jurisdiction.

3.3. Legal Support Fund:

3.3.1. Funds of the Legal Support Fund, established by the Association's Governance Resolution, may not be used to cover personal tax liabilities of the Recipient.

3.3.2. The Legal Support Fund may be used exclusively to pay legal services related to defending the Association against tax authorities' claims caused by the Recipient's bad faith, pursuant to the Indemnity Agreement. In such defense, the Association has the right to seek reimbursement of these expenses from the Recipient.

4. Breach and Termination

4.1. Material Breaches: Any violation of this Policy, including failure to fulfill tax obligations or actions that lead to claims against the Association for secondary liability, employer status, or permanent establishment, is deemed a material breach of the Mandate Agreement, Executive Act, or Service Agreement.

4.2. Consequences of Breach: Upon establishing a material breach, the Association is entitled to:

4.2.1. Immediately terminate the Executive Act or Service Agreement.

4.2.2. Recover damages from the Recipient, including amounts paid by the Association for fines and legal costs.

4.2.3. Temporarily or permanently block the Recipient's address from receiving future funds and participating in Voting.

4.3. **Decision on Enforcement:** Decisions on sanctions application are made in accordance with the procedure established by the Governance Resolution and the Arbitration Rules (incorporated into the document package).

5. Effective Date and Amendments

5.1. **Effective Date:** This Policy comes into force simultaneously with the date and time the Governance Resolution enters into force.

5.2. **Amendments:** Any changes to this Policy may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation conducted pursuant to the Governance Resolution.

5.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens after posting amendments signifies user acceptance of the updated Policy.

Smart Contract and On-Chain Transactions Risk Management Policy

1. General Provisions and Objective

1.1. **Subject:** This Smart Contract and On-Chain Transactions Risk Management Policy (hereinafter the "Policy") establishes mandatory procedures and security standards for all on-chain operations and interactions with key smart contracts of New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association").

1.2. **Objective:** Minimization of operational, technological, and financial risks related to human factors, code errors, and external attacks (exploits) to ensure the safekeeping of the Association's Assets.

1.3. **Applicable Law:** This Policy is governed by the substantive law of Switzerland. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Management of Critical Transactions

2.1. **Transaction Classification:** All on-chain operations are classified by risk level:

2.1.1. **Critical:** Transactions affecting Asset security, code modification (updating), or withdrawal of funds exceeding 10,000 USD.

2.1.2. **Operational:** Daily transactions (compensations, small Grants) not exceeding the Critical threshold.

2.2. **Multisignature Procedure:** Qualified Confirmation (approval under the Multisignature protocol) established in the Governance Resolution is required for all Critical transactions.

2.3. **Transaction Testing:** Before executing any Critical transaction, the Authorized Representative must conduct simulation of the transaction on a test network or

using a verified simulation tool (e.g., Tenderly or its equivalent) to confirm its predictable result and absence of vulnerabilities.

2.4. Representatives' Actions: Authorized Representatives must use cold wallets or verified hardware security modules (HSM) for storing master keys managing the multisignature of the Association's Assets. For operational (non-critical) transactions, use of hot keys managed by an approved and audited session key manager is permitted.

3. Smart Contract Risk Management

3.1. Mandatory Audit: Mandatory audit applies to all smart contracts, bridges, or financial instruments that the Association develops, deploys, or uses independently. These smart contracts must undergo independent security audits conducted by two external, reputable audit firms, with results published publicly.

3.2. Emergency Response and Dependency Reduction Protocol: The Association acknowledges the lack of direct control over the base protocol's pause mechanism. Therefore, the Association undertakes not to use third-party financial protocols, bridges, or instruments that do not provide the possibility for emergency pause or secure fund withdrawal in case of failure.

3.3. Storage Limit: No single smart contract (except for the Association's main Assets) shall hold more than 20% of the total Strategic portfolio of the Association.

4. Emergency Response

4.1. Response Plan: The Association must maintain and regularly update an Emergency Response Plan including contacts of key auditors, lawyers, and security specialists.

4.2. **Notification:** In case of detection of a critical vulnerability or security incident, Authorized Representatives must immediately (within 24 hours) notify the Association's community through official communication channels while observing the provisions of the Privacy Policy.

5. Effective Date and Amendments

5.1. **Effective Date:** This Policy comes into force simultaneously with the date and time the Governance Resolution enters into force.

5.2. **Amendments:** Any changes to this Policy may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with the Governance Resolution.

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Protocol Risk Disclosure Policy

1. General Provisions and Objective

1.1. **Subject:** This Protocol Risk Disclosure Policy (hereinafter the "Policy") establishes requirements for disclosing information about potential technical and operational risks associated with the use of the decentralized protocol and smart contracts of New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association").

1.2. **Objective:** The objective of the Policy is to inform Users and members of the Association's community about the inevitable risks related to the use of blockchain technologies and decentralized autonomous governance.

1.3. **Applicable Law:** This Policy is governed by the substantive law of Switzerland. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Disclosure of Protocol Risks

2.1. **Technical Vulnerabilities:** Users are notified and acknowledge that the Association's protocol and smart contracts, despite undergoing audits, carry risks of technical failures, vulnerabilities, coding errors, and logical flaws. Such errors may result in full or partial loss of funds held under smart contract control.

2.2. **Attack Risk:** There is a risk of hacker attacks, including 51% attacks (applicable to the underlying blockchain), data oracle attacks, denial-of-service (DoS) attacks, and other cyberattacks that may disrupt protocol operation and lead to unauthorized withdrawal or blocking of assets.

2.3. **Irreversibility of Transactions:** The User acknowledges that blockchain transactions are irreversible. In case of an error (e.g., sending funds to an incorrect address), the Association has no capability to cancel the transaction or return lost assets.

2.4. **Code Changes:** Although the Association's governance code is decentralized, there is a risk that the community may decide on unforeseen changes to the smart contract code (updates), which may affect the rights and capabilities of Token holders.

3. Limitation of Liability

3.1. **No Warranties:** The Association does not guarantee uninterrupted operation, code immutability, absence of losses, or complete security resulting from protocol risks.

3.2. **Acceptance of Risk:** By acquiring the Association's Tokens (FT or GT) and/or using the Association's software, the User consciously accepts all protocol risks described in this Policy.

3.3. **Indemnification:** The User agrees that the Association, its members, and Authorized Representatives bear no liability for any losses, damages, or expenses arising from protocol risks.

4. Effective Date and Amendments

4.1. **Effective Date:** This Policy comes into force simultaneously with the date and time the Governance Resolution enters into force.

4.2. **Amendments:** Any changes to this Policy may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation conducted in accordance with the Governance Resolution.

4.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens after posting amendments signifies user acceptance of the updated Policy.

Conflict Resolution and Ethics Regulation

1. General Provisions and Objective

1.1. **Subject:** This Conflict Resolution and Ethics Regulation (hereinafter the "Regulation") establishes ethical principles and multi-stage procedures for resolving internal and external disputes of New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association") and its Authorized Representatives (hereinafter "Representatives").

1.2. **Objective:** To ensure fair, transparent, and efficient resolution of internal and external disputes, minimizing the need for resource-intensive On-Chain Voting or external judicial proceedings, as well as to maintain a high level of trust and reputation of the Association.

1.3. **Hierarchy:** This Regulation supplements but does not override the mandatory dispute resolution provisions set forth in the Mandate Agreement and the Indemnity Agreement, as well as the provisions on financial protection contained in the Asset Reservation and Risk Management Policy. In case of direct conflict, those provisions shall prevail.

1.4. **Applicable Law:** This Regulation is governed by the substantive law of Switzerland. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Ethical Principles and Conflict of Interest

2.1. **Standard of Conduct:** All Representatives and active members of the Association are obliged to act in good faith, honestly, and in the best interests of the Association's Mission.

2.2. **Conflict of Interest:** A Representative must promptly disclose any actual or potential conflict of interest related to their authority, including:

2.2.1. Direct or indirect financial interest in a Project applying for a Grant.

2.2.2. Personal or business relationships with the head of the Grant-recipient Team.

2.3. **Recusal:** In case of a conflict of interest, the Representative must recuse (self-disqualify) from participation in discussion, evaluation, and voting on the related matter. Failure to comply is grounds for initiating the dispute resolution procedure.

3. Procedure for Resolution of Internal Disputes

3.1. **Internal disputes** (e.g., between Representatives or between a Representative and the Association community regarding Mandate performance) are resolved according to the following multi-stage scheme:

3.1.1. **Stage 1: Informal Mediation:** The interested party submits a written notice of dispute to the appointed Authorized Representative, who must appoint a neutral mediator from active community members to reach a voluntary agreement within 14 days.

3.1.2. **Stage 2: Internal Arbitration:** If mediation (Stage 1) fails, the dispute is submitted to the Authorized Representative for internal disputes or another arbitrator appointed by the Association (hereinafter the "Arbitrator").

3.1.2.1. Proceedings at this stage must ensure minimal procedural guarantees, including the right of each party to timely present written arguments and evidence supporting their position.

3.1.2.2. The Arbitrator must issue a written, reasoned decision (hereinafter the "Arbitral Award") based solely on submitted arguments

and applicable Association documents (including the Governance Resolution).

3.1.2.3. The Arbitral Award is binding but may be challenged (submitted for ratification) at Stage 3 within 7 (seven) days from issuance.

3.1.3. **Stage 3: On-Chain Ratification (Veto):** The Arbitral Award issued at Stage 2 may be challenged by either party through initiating an On-Chain Vote requiring Voting with Qualified Confirmation.

3.1.3.1. This vote does not review the merits of the case and is not a rehearing.

3.1.3.2. The On-Chain Vote serves as the supreme mechanism of ratification (approval) or veto (rejection) of the Arbitral Award issued at Stage 2.

3.1.3.3. The decision made by the On-Chain Vote (ratification or veto) is final and binding on all Association members and dispute parties.

3.2. Finality and Waiver of Appeal:

3.2.1. All Authorized Representatives and Association members (including users who accepted the Terms of Use) explicitly agree and acknowledge that the multi-stage procedure described in clause 3.1 is the sole and exclusive remedy for resolving internal disputes.

3.2.2. Parties unconditionally agree that a decision becoming final (at Stage 2 if unchallenged, or at Stage 3) is final, binding, and not subject to appeal or review in state courts or any other external arbitration body, except as expressly provided by mandatory provisions of applicable Swiss law.

4. Procedure for Resolution of External Disputes

4.1. **General Rule:** Any disputes arising between the Association and external counterparties (third parties) who are not members or Authorized Representatives of the Association shall be resolved exclusively by international arbitration.

4.2. **Application:** The external dispute resolution procedure is governed by the Arbitration Rules incorporated by reference into all external contracts concluded by the Association.

4.3. **Exception to Internal Mechanism:** The Internal Arbitration procedure and On-Chain Voting do not apply to dispute resolution with external counterparties unless otherwise expressly provided by the Governance Resolution.

5. Effective Date and Amendments

5.1. **Effective Date:** This Regulation enters into force simultaneously with the date and time of entry into force of the Governance Resolution.

5.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments to this Regulation may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with provisions set forth in the Governance Resolution.

5.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens after publication of amendments constitutes user acceptance of the updated Regulation.

Expense Reimbursement Policy

1. General Provisions and Objective

1.1. **Subject:** This Expense Reimbursement Policy (hereinafter the "Policy") establishes unified procedures and requirements for Authorized Representatives (hereinafter "Representative") of New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association") when requesting reimbursement for incurred expenses.

1.2. **Objective:** To ensure transparent, timely, and accountable reimbursement to Representatives of reasonable and necessary expenses incurred exclusively within the scope of the powers defined by the "Mandate" and the corresponding "Executive Act."

1.3. **Applicable Law:** This Policy is governed by the substantive law of Switzerland. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Reimbursable Expenses and Limits

2.1. **Reasonableness Principle:** Only expenses that are reasonable, necessary, and directly related to the fulfillment of the Association's Mission and the specific Representative's Mandate are subject to reimbursement.

2.2. **Reimbursement Limits:** The total reimbursement amount shall not exceed the budget established in the relevant Executive Act by which the Representative was appointed.

2.3. **Examples of Reimbursable Expenses:**

2.3.1. Reasonable transportation expenses, including economy class air travel.

2.3.2. Accommodation expenses related to business trips.

2.3.3. Legal and audit fees incurred with prior approval of the Association (via On-Chain Voting or Executive Act).

2.3.4. Expenses related to storage or technical maintenance of the Association's resources.

2.4. **Non-Reimbursable Expenses:** Personal expenses, fines, penalties, loan interest, as well as expenses incurred after termination of the Mandate, are not subject to reimbursement.

3. Reimbursement Request Procedure

3.1. **Submission Deadline:** The reimbursement request must be submitted no later than 60 calendar days from the date the expense was incurred.

3.2. **Request Form:** The Representative must submit the reimbursement request in the form established by the Association, usually by means of an on-chain transaction or other verifiable submission, which includes:

3.2.1. Description of the purpose of the expense and its connection to the Mandate.

3.2.2. Requested amount in Formation Tokens (hereinafter "FT") or other currency.

3.2.3. Hash-link to supporting documentation.

3.3. **Supporting Documentation:** Reimbursement is provided only upon submission of documented expenses, such as:

3.3.1. Originals or scans of invoices, receipts, tickets.

3.3.2. Bank statements confirming payment by the Representative.

3.4. **Audit and Approval:** All reimbursement requests are subject to review and approval by the Association's community via On-Chain Voting, unless otherwise established by the Executive Act.

4. Effective Date and Amendments

4.1. **Effective Date:** This Policy enters into force simultaneously with the date and time of entry into force of the Governance Resolution.

4.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments to this Policy may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

4.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens after publication of amendments signifies user acceptance of the updated Policy.

Privacy Policy

1. General Provisions

1.1. **Subject:** This Privacy Policy (hereinafter the "Policy") regulates the procedures for collecting, using, storing, and protecting data related to the activities of New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association"), its website, and software.

1.2. **Acceptance:** Use of the website, software, and/or ownership of the Association's Tokens constitutes unconditional acceptance of this Policy.

1.3. **Recognition:** The Association and Authorized Representatives acting within its protocol acknowledge the importance of protecting the privacy and confidentiality of users' personal data and commit to complying with applicable legal norms, including but not limited to: the European Union General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA/CPRA), Canada's Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA), Brazil's General Data Protection Law (LGPD), China's Personal Information Protection Law (PIPL), as well as other applicable international and national regulations.

1.4. **Jurisdictions:** This Policy applies to the processing of data relating to data subjects located in the jurisdictions where the Association operates.

1.5. **Decentralization:** The User acknowledges that the Association is a decentralized autonomous association.

1.6. **Applicable Law:** This Policy is governed by the substantive law of Switzerland. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Responsible Entity

2.1. **Appointment:** In accordance with the Governance Resolution, the Association, represented by the Data Protection Authorized Representative (hereinafter "DPAR"), engages an external Data Processor, responsible for overseeing compliance with nDSG, GDPR, and this Policy.

2.2. **Contact Information:** Data Protection Authorized Representative (Data Protection Coordinator): dpc@newepoch.org

2.3. **Information Provision:** Upon receiving a lawful and justified request from governmental or regulatory authorities, the Association will forward such request to the designated Data Processor for processing according to applicable law.

3. Data Collection and Use

3.1. **Data Collection:** The Association collects only data necessary for the operation of the website, software, decentralized protocol, and ensuring transparency of their activities. Such data include:

3.1.1. **Personal Data:**

3.1.1.1. **Identification data:** During website registration, email address, login, and password (stored in encrypted or hashed form, making it unreadable) are requested.

3.1.1.2. **Mailing data:** When subscribing to newsletters, name and email address are requested.

3.1.1.3. **Profile data:** Depending on the website features used, such as membership-based access control systems, other necessary data may be requested to provide specific services.

3.1.2. **Public Blockchain Data:** Cryptographic addresses, records of transactions with Association Tokens (FT and GT), voting records, and other data voluntarily published by users on the blockchain.

3.1.3. **Technical Data:** Information generated when accessing the Association's website and software, necessary solely for security and operability:

3.1.3.1. **Website usage data:** IP address, browser type, operating system, pages visited, time, and date of access. These data may become identifiable when combined with other information and thus be considered personal data. They are collected automatically through web analytics systems and similar technologies.

3.1.3.2. **Device data:** Information about the device used, including device type (desktop, mobile), model, and screen resolution. Exact location data are neither requested nor collected.

3.1.3.3. **Content interaction data:** Information on website usage, including content viewing and participation in interactive modules.

3.2. **Data Use:** Collected data are used exclusively for the purposes of:

3.2.1. **Providing website access:** Processing data to allow registration, account management, and content access (legal basis: contract performance).

3.2.2. **Communication with users:** Processing data to send newsletters, important updates, and respond to inquiries (legal basis: consent for newsletters, and legitimate interest for replies and service notifications).

3.2.3. **Ensuring security:** Processing data to prevent fraud, protect site integrity, and safeguard user data (legal basis: legitimate interest and legal obligation performance).

3.2.4. **Service analysis and improvement:** Processing data to analyze user interaction with the site, optimizing functionality and developing new features (legal basis: legitimate interest).

3.2.5. **Ensuring operation:** Processing data for proper functioning of smart contracts and protocol, verifying voting rights, processing on-chain transactions, and ensuring transparency of financial activities and governance of the Association (legal basis: contract performance).

3.2.6. **Compliance with legal obligations:** Processing data to fulfill legal obligations, such as lawful requests from governmental bodies (legal basis: legal obligation).

3.3. **Processing of Non-Public Data:** The Association does not collect data that directly identifies individuals except for login, name, email address, and public cryptographic addresses. Processing of any non-public data provided to Authorized Representatives under their Mandate is conducted in accordance with Swiss data protection principles.

3.4. **KYC/KYB:** The Association conducts necessary risk-oriented "Know Your Customer" (KYC) or "Know Your Business" (KYB) procedures, as set forth in the Mandate Agreement.

4. Use of Cookies

4.1. **Cookies:** Cookies are used to enhance user experience and collect analytics information. A cookie is a small text file saved on the user's device upon site visit. More details are provided in the Cookie Policy.

5. Data Sharing with Third Parties

5.1. **Data Sharing:** The Association does not sell, rent, or exchange users' personal data. Data may be shared with third parties only in the following cases:

5.1.1. **Service Providers:** The Association may engage third-party providers for website operation, including hosting providers, content management systems, newsletter services, web analytics services, and membership platforms. These providers, acting as data processors, commit to confidentiality and use data solely to perform their functions per instructions. Data processing agreements are concluded to ensure compliance with applicable laws. The full list of key service providers is available upon justified request.

5.1.2. **Internal Sharing within the Association:** Some data may be accessible to other Association members, for example, via public profiles, comments, or voting systems. Such data sharing occurs based on explicit user consent.

5.1.3. **Legal Requirements:** In case of lawful requests from governmental authorities or courts, and to protect the rights and interests of the Association.

6. International Data Transfers

6.1. Data Transfers: As an international organization, the Association may transfer, store, and process personal data in jurisdictions outside the user's country of residence.

6.2. Security Measures: The Association takes all necessary measures to ensure an adequate level of data protection in accordance with applicable laws. When required, the Association uses Standard Contractual Clauses approved by the European Commission and applies additional technical and organizational measures (e.g., zero-access encryption) to ensure an equivalent protection level to GDPR/nDSG, including risk assessment of data transfers to third countries.

7. Data Retention

7.1. Data Retention: Personal data are stored only as long as necessary to achieve the purposes for which they were collected. Criteria for determining retention periods include:

7.1.1. Duration of service use: Data necessary for content access and account management are retained for the entire period of use.

7.1.2. Legal obligations: Data may be retained longer if required for legal compliance.

7.1.3. Dispute resolution and rights protection: Data may be retained to resolve disputes or protect the Association's lawful rights.

7.2. Data Deletion: Upon expiration of retention periods, personal data are deleted or anonymized. The Association commits to deleting account-related data in accordance with legal requirements.

7.3. **Blockchain Data Storage:** Blockchain data are stored in a decentralized public ledger and cannot be deleted due to technical impossibility.

8. Security Measures

8.1. **Data Protection:** The Association undertakes reasonable technological measures to protect personal data under its control from unauthorized access, alteration, disclosure, or destruction. These measures include, but are not limited to, data encryption (SSL/TLS) during transmission and storage, access control, two-factor authentication, regular audits, and backups. Privacy by Design principles are integrated into the Association's system architecture.

8.2. **Risk Assessment:** Before transferring data to any new jurisdiction, the Association conducts a risk assessment and, if necessary, implements additional safeguards. These include, but are not limited to, data encryption in transit, anonymization or pseudonymization where possible, and data minimization to protect against unauthorized access.

8.3. **Impact Assessment:** For high-risk processing of personal and special category data (e.g., KYC/KYB), the Association initiates a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) as required by nDSG and GDPR to systematically analyze and mitigate risks to data subjects' rights and freedoms.

8.4. **Acknowledgment:** The User acknowledges that due to the nature of the internet and blockchain, absolute security cannot be guaranteed by the Association.

9. Data Subject Rights

9.1. **Rights of Data Subjects:** In accordance with applicable law, data subjects have the right to:

9.1.1. **Access:** Request information about personal data processed by the Association.

9.1.2. **Rectification:** Request correction of inaccurate or incomplete data.

9.1.3. **Erasure** ("right to be forgotten"): Request deletion of data in certain cases.

9.1.4. **Restriction:** Request restriction of data processing.

9.1.5. **Opt-out of sale or transfer:** Request information on data categories collected and exercise the right to prohibit sale or transfer. The Association does not "sell" or "transfer" personal data. Nevertheless, users may exercise their rights by contacting the Association at the address provided in section 2.2.

9.1.6. **Data Portability:** Receive data in a structured, commonly used format.

9.1.7. **Objection:** Object to data processing.

9.1.8. **Consent Withdrawal:** Withdraw previously given consent to processing at any time.

9.1.9. **Non-Discrimination:** The Association does not discriminate against users exercising privacy rights.

9.2. **Rights Implementation:** To exercise these rights, users may contact the Association at the email address provided in section 2.2 of this Policy.

10. Dispute Resolution

10.1. **Internal Arbitration:** All internal disputes, disagreements, or claims arising between the user and the Association shall be resolved in accordance with the Association's Conflict Resolution and Ethics Regulation.

10.2. **External Arbitration:** All external disputes, disagreements, or claims arising between an external counterparty and the Association shall be finally resolved by mandatory arbitration under the Arbitration Rules, incorporated by reference into this Policy and an integral part thereof.

11. Effective Date and Amendments

11.1. **Effective Date:** This Policy enters into force simultaneously with the date and time the Governance Resolution enters into force.

11.2. **Amendments:** Any changes to this Policy may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

11.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens after publication of amendments constitutes user acceptance of the updated Policy.

Cookie Policy

1. General Provisions

1.1. **Subject:** This Cookie Policy (hereinafter the "Policy") regulates the procedures for collecting and using cookies related to the activities of New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association"), its website, and software.

1.2. **Explanation:** Cookies are used to enhance user experience and collect analytical information. A cookie is a small text file saved on the user's device upon visiting the website.

1.3. **Acceptance:** Use of the website, software, and/or ownership of the Association's Tokens constitutes unconditional acceptance of this Policy.

1.4. **Decentralization:** The User acknowledges that the Association is a decentralized autonomous association.

1.5. **Applicable Law:** This Policy is governed by the substantive law of Switzerland. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Types of Cookies Used

2.1. **Strictly Necessary Cookies:** Required for the proper functioning of the website (e.g., cookies allowing users to log into protected areas of the site). These cookies do not require consent.

2.2. **Analytical/Operational Cookies:** Collect anonymized information (e.g., how users interact with the website) that enables analysis of performance and optimization of operations. These cookies can be disabled at any time.

2.3. **Functional Cookies:** Allow the website to remember user preferences (e.g., language or region).

3. Cookie Management

3.1. **Cookie Consent:** On first visiting the website, users can give consent to the use of certain categories of cookies via a special banner and can change their selection at any time in the Cookie Settings accessible via a link on the website.

3.2. **Blocking Cookies:** Cookies can be blocked by activating the appropriate browser setting that allows refusal of all or some cookies. Blocking all cookies (including mandatory ones) may limit functionality or cause improper operation of the website.

4. Effective Date and Amendments

4.1. **Effective Date:** This Policy enters into force simultaneously with the date and time the Governance Resolution enters into force.

4.2. **Amendments:** Any changes to this Policy may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

4.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens after publication of amendments signifies user acceptance of the updated Policy.

Terms of Use

1. General Provisions

1.1. **Subject:** These Terms of Use (hereinafter the "Terms") regulate the interaction between New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association"), a decentralized autonomous association, and any person (hereinafter the "User") accessing or using the Association's website, software, or owning Association Tokens.

1.2. **Acceptance:** Use of the website, software, and/or ownership of the Association's Tokens constitutes unconditional acceptance of these Terms.

1.3. **Decentralization:** The User acknowledges and agrees that the Association has no central leadership and is governed by a decentralized community through smart contracts.

1.4. **Applicable Law:** These Terms are governed by the substantive law of Switzerland. Lex Cryptographica (protocol code) is applied subsidiarily.

2. Tokens and Risks

2.1. Token Qualification:

2.1.1. **Formation Token** (hereinafter "FT"): A digital asset used exclusively to grant the holder access to services provided by the Association's protocol, including the right to donate funds to Grants for Teams and participate in governance mechanisms to support the Association's Mission. FT is not a security, investment contract, payment means, or monetary equivalent under applicable regulation.

2.1.2. **Governance Token** (hereinafter "GT"): A digital asset granting the holder voting rights in the governance of the Association.

2.2. **Legal Status:** Neither FT nor GT constitute:

2.2.1. Securities (shares, bonds, investment contracts) under the laws of Switzerland, the USA, the European Union, or any other applicable jurisdiction.

2.2.2. Financial instruments, derivatives, or investment products.

2.2.3. Equity interests, profits, or assets of the Association.

2.3. **Legal Basis:** The classification and legal status of Tokens are thoroughly justified and analyzed in a separate document, the "Token Regulatory Status Memorandum," an integral part of the Association's legal architecture. The User agrees with the conclusions presented therein.

2.4. **Risks:** The User acknowledges and accepts the high and irreversible risk of loss of Token value (FT and GT) due to market fluctuations, technical failures, coding errors, or other factors. The Association does not guarantee appreciation, return on investment, or liquidity of Tokens.

2.5. **Protocol Risks:** The User is notified of risks related to technical failures, vulnerabilities, hacker attacks, and coding errors in the Association's protocol and smart contracts. The Association does not guarantee uninterrupted operation or absence of losses due to protocol risks.

3. Membership Mechanism and Use

3.1. **Membership:** To become a member of the Association, the User must acquire FT from the Association and then exchange it 1:1 for GT, which are used for voting.

3.2. **Voting:** Voting rights are granted exclusively through GT ownership and exercised via the Association's smart contracts.

3.3. **Prohibited Activities:** Users are prohibited from using Tokens, the website, or software for any illegal activities, including but not limited to money laundering, terrorism financing, violation of sanction regimes, or fraud.

3.4. **Use Denial:** The Association reserves the right to restrict or fully block access to its website and/or software for any User violating these Terms, without prior notice.

4. User Obligations and Liability

4.1. **AML/CTF and Sanctions Compliance:** The User commits to complying with all applicable anti-money laundering, counter-terrorism financing, and international sanctions laws. The User confirms they are not subject to sanctions and do not act on behalf of a sanctioned person.

4.2. **KYC/KYB:** Users appointed as Authorized Representatives or recipients of the Final Grant Tranche must undergo required identification procedures (KYC/KYB) as mandated by the Association's AML/CTF and international sanctions Policy. Refusal to comply with such procedures results in inability to perform the Mandate or receive the Grant.

4.3. **Tax Responsibility:** The User bears sole responsibility for payment of all taxes, fees, and duties related to their participation in the Association, receipt of Grants, and ownership or use of Tokens, according to their jurisdiction's laws. The Association does not provide tax advice.

5. Blockchain Data and Irreversibility

5.1. **Public Nature of Data:** The User acknowledges and agrees that any transactions related to Association Tokens, Voting participation, Grant transfers, and other

actions executed via the Association's protocol are recorded in a public, decentralized, and immutable ledger (hereinafter the "Blockchain").

5.2. Irreversibility: The User bears sole responsibility for all data voluntarily published or initiated for publication on the Blockchain (including but not limited to their public address, transaction records, and metadata). The User understands there is no technical possibility to alter or delete such data once recorded on the Blockchain.

5.3. Waiver of Right to be Forgotten: Due to the technological irreversibility of the Blockchain, the User unconditionally waives the right to demand that the Association or any third party delete (erase) their personal data, transaction records, or wallet addresses from the Blockchain, as provided by the "right to be forgotten" or similar regulations under applicable data protection laws.

5.4. Limitation of Liability: The Association is not liable for any damages arising from the public nature of the User's data on the Blockchain or the impossibility of its deletion. The Association is neither controller nor processor of data directly published by the User in the decentralized public ledger.

6. Limitation of Association's Liability

6.1. Disclaimer of Warranties: The website, software, protocol, Tokens, and related services are provided "as is" and "as available." The Association makes no warranties, express or implied, including but not limited to fitness for a particular purpose, non-infringement, or absence of errors/malicious code.

6.2. Force Majeure and Technical Risks: The Association is not liable for damages caused by external factors such as network failures, smart contract hacks, hacker actions, legislative changes, or any events beyond the Association's reasonable control.

6.3. Financial Liability Limitation: The Association's financial liability to the User on any grounds is strictly limited to assets under the control of the Association's smart contracts. Under no circumstances shall the Association be liable for indirect, incidental, special, or punitive damages, including lost profits.

7. Dispute Resolution

7.1. Internal Arbitration: All internal disputes, disagreements, or claims arising between the User and the Association shall be resolved in accordance with the Association's Conflict Resolution and Ethics Regulation.

7.2. External Arbitration: All external disputes, disagreements, or claims between an external counterparty and the Association shall be finally resolved by mandatory arbitration under the Arbitration Rules, incorporated by reference into these Terms and forming an integral part thereof.

8. Effective Date and Amendments

8.1. Effective Date: These Terms enter into force simultaneously with the date and time the Governance Resolution enters into force.

8.2. Amendments: Any amendments to these Terms may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with the provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

8.3. Notice: Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens after publication of amendments signifies the User's acceptance of the updated Terms.

Token Regulatory Status Memorandum

1. Introduction and Disclaimer

1.1. **Purpose:** This Token Regulatory Status Memorandum (hereinafter the "Memorandum") provides a legal analysis and justification of the classification of tokens issued by New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association") and represents the official position of the Association regarding regulatory compliance.

1.2. **Classification:** The Association issues Formation Tokens (hereinafter "FT") and Governance Tokens (hereinafter "GT"). This Memorandum explicitly affirms that neither FT nor GT are securities, investment contracts, or any other regulated financial instruments under the laws of Switzerland, the USA, the European Union, or any other applicable jurisdiction. The Association is not a broker, dealer, underwriter, exchange, or investment services provider.

1.3. **Disclaimer:** None of the information contained in this Memorandum should be construed as an offer of securities, financial, investment, tax, or legal advice. Token holders must seek advice independently from qualified professionals.

1.4. **Tax Responsibility:** The Association provides no guarantees or advice regarding taxation. Token holders bear sole responsibility for compliance with tax laws of their jurisdiction, including reporting any income derived from the purchase, sale, or use of Tokens.

2. Analysis Under Swiss Law

2.1. **Applicable Law:** The Association operates as a decentralized autonomous association pursuant to and in accordance with the principles set forth in Articles 60

and following of the Swiss Civil Code. The regulatory analysis of tokens is primarily based on FINMA guidelines (Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority).

2.2. Status of Formation Token (hereinafter "FT"): FT is classified as a Utility Token because:

2.2.1. Functionality: FT is intended to grant access to services provided by the Association's protocol, including the right to donate funds to Grants for Teams and participate in governance mechanisms within the Association's ecosystem to support the Association's Mission.

2.2.2. Absence of Investment Intent: FT confers no rights to capital, asset shares, profits, or dividends.

2.3. Status of Governance Token (hereinafter "GT"): GT is classified as a Governance Token because:

2.3.1. Sole Purpose: GT grants the exclusive right to vote in the decentralized decision-making process (On-Chain Voting) pursuant to the Governance Resolution and Lex Cryptographica.

2.3.2. No Income Link: GT functionality is not linked to any expectation of income from the efforts of Authorized Representatives or the financial success of the Association.

3. Analysis Under U.S. Law

3.1. Howey Test Principle: To determine whether a token constitutes an investment contract (and therefore a security) under U.S. law, the Howey Test, comprising four elements, is applied: 1) Investment of money; 2) Common enterprise; 3) Expectation of profits; 4) Profits derived from the efforts of others.

3.2. **No "Investment of Money"**: Funds received by the Association (via FT or otherwise) are classified as grants, donations, or contributions toward operational expenses, not as capital investments in a commercial enterprise. The purpose of these funds is to fulfill the Association's Mission (support of public welfare), not profit generation.

3.3. **No "Common Enterprise"**: Token holders do not share an expectation of financial success comparable to traditional corporate shareholders. Their common interest is focused on fulfilling the Mission and developing the decentralized protocol, not on token price appreciation. Risks and rewards for token holders are decentralized and do not depend directly on the financial success of the Association.

3.4. **No "Expectation and Profits from Efforts of Others"**: This key element is absent because:

3.4.1. **Transparency**: Decisions on Grants allocation and Asset use are made by Governance Token holders through transparent On-Chain Voting.

3.4.2. **Decentralization**: Token value is determined by market demand, not by management efforts of Authorized Representatives. The Mandate of Authorized Representatives is limited to technical implementation, administrative support, and legal compliance, not investment management. The Association deliberately avoids providing services related to investment advice or active Asset management aimed at generating profits for token holders.

3.4.3. **Absence of Guarantees**: The Association and its Authorized Representatives provide no guarantees or promises of token value appreciation. Their efforts are exclusively directed at maintaining the protocol and the Association's Mission.

4. Conclusion on Regulatory Status

4.1. **Conclusion:** Based on analysis of applicable law (Switzerland) and precedent (U.S.), the Association concludes that neither Formation Tokens (FT) nor Governance Tokens (GT) are subject to regulation as securities. They are products based on access and decentralized governance.

4.2. **Ongoing Compliance:** The Association commits to maintaining its activities and token functionality so as to continuously minimize the risk of regulatory requalification, in particular by:

4.2.1. Preserving a decentralized governance structure;

4.2.2. Excluding any statements guaranteeing profits or investment value of Tokens;

4.2.3. Strict compliance with the Association's Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and international sanctions Policy.

5. Effective Date and Amendments

5.1. **Effective Date:** This Memorandum enters into force simultaneously with the date and time of entry into force of the Governance Resolution and is binding on all Authorized Representatives and external counterparties.

5.2. **Amendments:** Any changes to this Memorandum may only be made by Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

5.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens following publication of amendments constitutes user acceptance of the updated Memorandum.

Official Disclosure Statement

1. Introduction and Project Status

1.1. **Statement:** This Official Disclosure Statement (hereinafter the "ODS") is the sole official source of information about New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Association"), its Mission, and related digital assets.

1.2. **Acceptance:** Use of the Association's Tokens or its software constitutes unconditional acceptance of this ODS and all risks set forth herein and in other Association documents.

1.3. **Mission:** The Association funds research and development aimed at establishing humanity as a multi-planetary civilization.

1.4. **Legal Status:** The Association is a decentralized autonomous association governed by smart contracts. This ODS is not a securities prospectus, investment invitation, or legal advice.

2. Tokens and Grant Economy

2.1. **Formation Token** (hereinafter "FT"): Used exclusively to grant the holder access to services provided by the Association's protocol, including the right to donate funds

to Grants for Teams and to participate in governance mechanisms supporting the Association's Mission. FT does not confer ownership rights, profit participation, dividend rights, or any other financial rights characteristic of securities.

2.2. **Governance Token** (hereinafter "GT"): Grants the holder voting rights in the governance of the Association. GT is not an investment instrument or means of payment.

2.3. **Purpose**: All collected funds are directed solely towards goals aligned with the Association's Mission, including but not limited to payment of Grants to Teams, as well as financing the Special Research Fund, Special Development Fund, Awareness Raising Fund, and Legal Support Fund. Any funds not spent on Mission goals are returned to their providers.

2.4. **Process**: Grant tranche payments (initial, intermediate, final) are made by decision of the Association based on the Grant and Intellectual Property Agreement, which requires immediate transfer of all Intellectual Property to the Public Domain.

2.5. **No Refunds**: FT holders (donors) have no right to refund of funds or any share of Intellectual Property created as a result of funding.

3. Key Risk Disclosures

3.1. **High Capital Loss Risk**: FT and GT are volatile digital assets. The Association does not guarantee preservation of Token value.

3.2. **Regulatory Risk**: The legal status of decentralized autonomous organizations, tokens, and blockchain technology remains uncertain in many jurisdictions. Regulation may change adversely affecting the Association's operation.

3.3. **Protocol Risk:** Users accept risks related to software code (smart contracts), including coding errors, vulnerabilities, and hacker attacks. The Association is not liable for losses arising from technical failures.

3.4. **Jurisdiction and Applicable Law:** The primary governing law of the Association is Swiss law, subsidiarily in relation to Lex Cryptographica (protocol code). This may not be fully recognized in other jurisdictions.

4. Compliance and External Regulation

4.1. **AML/CTF and Sanctions:** The Association complies with international anti-money laundering and sanctions requirements. Users listed on sanctions lists cannot receive Grants from the Association.

4.2. **Data Protection:** The Association processes only data of users of its website, software, and public blockchain data in accordance with the Privacy Policy and Swiss data protection legislation.

5. Effective Date and Amendments

5.1. **Effective Date:** This Official Disclosure Statement comes into effect simultaneously with the date and time the Governance Resolution takes effect.

5.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments to this Official Disclosure Statement may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

5.3. **Notice:** Continued use of the Association's website, software, and Tokens following publication of amendments constitutes user acceptance of the updated Official Disclosure Statement.

Arbitration Rules

1. Applicable Law

1.1. **Applicable Law:** These Rules and all disputes, disagreements, or claims arising from or relating to them shall be governed and construed in accordance with the substantive law of Switzerland, without applying its conflict of law provisions.

2. Exclusive Arbitration

2.1. **Final Resolution:** Any disputes, disagreements, or claims arising from contracts of the Association referencing these Rules, or related thereto, shall be finally resolved by mandatory arbitration in accordance with the Swiss Rules of Arbitration of the Swiss Arbitration Centre in effect at the time of filing the arbitration notice.

3. Place of Arbitration

3.1. **Place:** The place of arbitration shall be Zug, Switzerland.

4. Language of Arbitration

4.1. **Language:** The language of the arbitration proceedings shall be English, unless the Parties agree otherwise.

5. Binding Nature of the Award

5.1. **Award:** The award rendered by the arbitrators shall be final and binding on the Parties and may be enforced by any competent court in accordance with the United Nations Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (New York Convention 1958).

6. Waiver of Recourse to State Courts

6.1. **Legal Remedies:** The Parties undertake to refrain from initiating proceedings before state courts on matters subject to the arbitration, except for seeking interim measures or enforcement of the arbitral award.

7. Effective Date and Amendments

7.1. **Effective Date:** These Rules enter into force simultaneously with the date and time of entry into force of the Governance Resolution.

7.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments to these Rules may only be made through Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

Due Diligence Regulation

1. Introduction

1.1. This Regulation is intended for all persons authorized to act as Qualified Verifiers (hereinafter "Verifiers").

1.2. Verifiers are not merely technical signatories of multisignature processes. The signature of Verifiers constitutes a "collective legal attestation." A Verifier personally and collectively certifies that the Association acts lawfully.

1.3. The entire legal architecture of the Association, protecting its assets and representatives (including Verifiers) from legal risks, relies on the bona fide and documented verification performed by Verifiers.

1.4. Failure or negligent performance of these procedures constitutes gross negligence and may result in the Verifier losing the right to indemnity (legal and financial protection) from the Association.

2. Procedure Application

2.1. **Qualified Confirmation:** This procedure is mandatory each time a Verifier must provide "Qualified Confirmation" (multisignature 4/7) to approve an on-chain transaction.

2.1.1. This primarily concerns:

2.1.1.1. Activation of any "Executive Act."

2.1.1.2. Allocation of any funds from the Funds.

2.1.1.3. Payment of any Grant.

2.1.1.4. Payment for services to any external contractor.

3. Step-by-Step Verification Procedure

3.1. **Obligation to Perform:** Before signing, each Verifier must complete the following steps.

3.2. **Step 1:** Counterparty Identification:

3.2.1. Understand to whom the Association is sending funds.

3.2.1.1. **Check threshold:** According to the Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy, KYC/KYB is mandatory for:

3.2.1.1.1. All Authorized Representatives (upon appointment).

3.2.1.1.2. All Grant Recipients if the amount exceeds USD 10,000 (or equivalent) within 12 months.

3.2.2. **If the threshold is exceeded** (KYC/KYB): Obtain the Compliance Check Report from the Data Protection Officer (hereinafter "DPO") and review Section 3.

3.2.3. **If the threshold is NOT exceeded:** Proceed to Step 2, verifying only the on-chain address and publicly available information.

3.3. **Step 2:** Mandatory Sanctions Screening:

3.3.1. This is the most important step. Sanctions violations carry the strictest liability.

3.3.2. Use the Compliance Check Report obtained from the DPO and review Section 4:

3.3.2.1. **If a Match is found**, then "REJECT" (see Step 4).

3.3.2.2. **If no Match is found**, proceed to Step 3.

3.4. **Step 3: On-Chain Analysis:**

3.4.1. Use the Compliance Check Report obtained from the DPO and review Section 5:

3.4.1.1. **If a "Red Flag" is detected:**

3.4.1.1.1. This automatically initiates an Enhanced Due Diligence procedure.

3.4.1.1.2. You are required to request a comprehensive explanation of the source of these funds from the counterparty.

3.4.1.1.3. If the explanation is unsatisfactory, then "REJECT" (see Step 4).

3.4.1.2. **If no "Red Flag" is detected:**

3.4.1.2.1. Proceed to Step 4.

3.5. **Step 4: Decision Making:**

3.5.1. The Verifier bears fiduciary responsibility.

3.5.1.1. "**APPROVE**":

3.5.1.1.1. The Verifier signs the multisignature only if all checks (Steps 1-3) are passed without any violations detected.

3.5.1.2. "**REJECT**":

3.5.1.2.1. If a sanctions list match (Step 2) or unresolved "Red Flag" (Step 3) is detected, then the following actions must be taken:

- 1) DO NOT SIGN the transaction.
- 2) IMMEDIATELY BLOCK execution of the transaction.
- 3) NOTIFY all other Verifiers and the DPO of the cause for rejection.
- 4) PREPARE a Suspicious Activity Report (SAR) and submit it to the DPO for possible filing with the regulator (MROS in Switzerland).

4. Liability and Protection

4.1. **Protection:** The Verifier's role is an active defense of the Association, not passive approval. Compliance with this Regulation ensures the Association's legal security and preserves the Verifier's right to personal legal protection. The Verifier must act in good faith and with due diligence.

4.2. **Mandatory Condition for Protection:** Compliance with this Regulation is a mandatory condition for the Verifier to receive legal protection and indemnification from the Legal Support Fund (hereinafter "LSF").

4.3. **Exclusion for "Gross Negligence":** Any significant or repeated failure by the Verifier to follow the procedures outlined in this Regulation (including but not limited to refusal to verify, falsification of reports, or signing when obvious "Red Flags" are present) shall be deemed gross negligence.

4.4. **Consequences:** Gross negligence, as determined by internal arbitration, automatically revokes the Verifier's right to protection and indemnification from the LSF and may entail personal liability to the Association and/or third parties.

5. Effective Date and Amendments

5.1. **Effective Date:** This Regulation enters into force simultaneously with the date and time of entry into force of the Governance Resolution.

5.2. **Amendments:** Any amendments to this Regulation may only be made via Voting with Qualified Confirmation performed in accordance with provisions established in the Governance Resolution.

Qualified Verifier Compliance Check Report Template

This Compliance Check Report (hereinafter the "Report") constitutes a legal attestation by the Qualified Verifier (hereinafter the "Verifier") of fulfillment of fiduciary due diligence obligations in accordance with the Governance Resolution and the Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy.

1. Transaction Identification

Report ID: [Internal ID, e.g., COMP-RPT-2025-001]

Review Date: [DD.MM.YYYY]

Verifier Name/ID: [Name/Address of Verifier conducting the review]

Proposal/Transaction ID: [On-chain proposal hash or ID for voting]

Transaction Purpose: [e.g., "Executive Act: Appointment of DPO", "Grant: Final Tranche, Project 1"]

Amount (USD equivalent): [\$XX,XXX.XX]

2. Counterparty Identification

Counterparty Name: [Legal name or full name]

Receiving On-Chain Address: [0x...]

Counterparty Jurisdiction: [Country of residence/registration]

3. KYC/KYB Verification

Is KYC/KYB required?

☐ YES (Authorized Representative OR Grant > 10k USD) ☐ NO

Status (if "YES"): ☐ Completed ☐ Error ☐ Not Applicable

Verified Documents (if "YES"): [e.g., "Passport (ID: XXXXX)", "Registry Extract (No. YYYYYY)", "UBO Documents"]

4. Mandatory Sanctions Screening

OFAC (USA): ☐ No Matches Found ☐ Match Found

EU (European Union): ☐ No Matches Found ☐ Match Found

UN (United Nations): ☐ No Matches Found ☐ Match Found

SECO (Switzerland): ☐ No Matches Found ☐ Match Found

Screening Tools: [e.g., Chainalysis, ComplyAdvantage, World-Check]

Screening Date and Time: [DD.MM.YYYY, HH:MM (UTC)]

Comments: [e.g., "Checked name 'Ivanov Ivan Ivanovich' and address 0x... No matches found."]

5. On-Chain Analysis

Direct Link to Mixers: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Direct Link to Darknet Markets: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Direct Link to Extortion/Phishing: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Other Risks (e.g., Sanctioned Address): ☐ YES ☐ NO

Analysis Tools: [e.g., TRM Labs, Elliptic, Etherscan]

Enhanced Due Diligence (EDD) conducted? (Mandatory if any "YES" above): ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ Not Applicable

EDD Conclusions (if applicable): [e.g., "Counterparty provided satisfactory explanation of funds' source..."]

6. Final Decision and Attestation

6.1. Verifier's Decision

☐ APPROVE

- *Basis: All checks completed; no risks found or risks acceptably mitigated.*

☐ REJECT

- *Basis: [Specify reason, e.g., "Match found in OFAC sanctions list" or "Unresolved 'Red Flag' (Mixer)"]*
- *Actions Taken: ☐ Notified other Verifiers. ☐ Prepared Suspicious Activity Report (SAR) for DPO.*

6.2. Verifier's Attestation

"I, the undersigned Verifier, hereby confirm that I have personally and diligently conducted a review of the results of all due diligence procedures described in this

Report, fully in compliance with the Anti-Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorism Financing, and International Sanctions Policy and the Governance Resolution of New Epoch Association.

To the best of my knowledge, the information presented in this Report is accurate and complete as of the review date. I understand this attestation constitutes a legal certification upon which the Association's legal protection and my personal right to indemnity depend."

Verifier ID (Signature): [Verifier's wallet public key]

Date: [DD.MM.YYYY]

Storage Section (for Data Processor):

Storage Status: [] Encrypted and Stored

Storage Location: [Secure Data Processor Storage ID]

Archive Date: [DD.MM.YYYY]

Non-Disclosure Agreement Template

1. Parties and Subject

1.1. **Parties:** This Non-Disclosure Agreement (hereinafter the "Agreement") is entered into between New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Disclosing Party"),

represented by the Authorized Representative [SPECIFY DETAILS] under the Executive Act, and the Receiving Party [SPECIFY DETAILS].

1.2. **Subject:** The Parties exchange confidential information concerning [SPECIFY INFORMATION TOPIC] for the purpose of [SPECIFY PURPOSE OF EXCHANGE].

2. Confidential Information

2.1. **Definition:** "Confidential Information" (hereinafter "CI") means any technical, financial, scientific, commercial information or data disclosed by the Disclosing Party to the Receiving Party, or vice versa, in oral, written, graphic, or electronic form, marked as "Confidential" or "Proprietary." CI does not include information that is or becomes publicly available without breach of this Agreement.

2.2. **Non-Disclosure Period:** The obligation to maintain CI confidentiality shall remain in effect for [SPECIFY PERIOD, e.g., five (5) years] from the date of signature of this Agreement.

2.3. **Exceptions:** The Receiving Party shall not be liable for disclosure of CI if required by law, court order, or regulatory authority, provided the Receiving Party has given prior notice to the Disclosing Party.

3. Obligations of the Receiving Party

3.1. **Protection:** The Receiving Party agrees to use CI solely for the purposes specified in clause 1.2. and to apply the same precautions to protect CI as it employs for its own similar confidential information, but no less than a reasonable standard of care.

3.2. **Access Limitation:** Access to CI shall be granted only to employees or affiliates who have a strict need to know and who are also bound by confidentiality obligations.

3.3. **No Rights:** This Agreement does not grant the Receiving Party any ownership, license, or other rights in the CI.

4. Applicable Law and Dispute Resolution

4.1. **Applicable Law:** This Agreement and all related disputes, disagreements, or claims shall be governed and construed in accordance with the substantive law of Switzerland, without application of its conflict of law rules.

4.2. **Exclusive Arbitration:** Any disputes, disagreements, or claims arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be finally resolved by mandatory arbitration in accordance with the "Arbitration Rules," which are incorporated by reference and form an integral part of this Agreement.

5. Effective Date

5.1. **Effective Date:** This Agreement shall enter into force as of the date of signature by the Parties.

5.2. **Consistency:** This Template is approved by the Association under the Governance Resolution. In the event of conclusion of a subsequent Grant and Intellectual Property Agreement, its provisions regarding the Public Domain shall prevail over this Non-Disclosure Agreement.

Service Agreement Template

1. Parties and Subject

1.1. **Parties:** This Service Agreement (hereinafter the "Agreement") is entered into between New Epoch Association (hereinafter the "Client"), represented by the Authorized Representative [SPECIFY DETAILS] under the Executive Act, and the Service Provider [SPECIFY DETAILS].

1.2. **Subject:** The Service Provider agrees to provide the Client with services as detailed in the Technical Specification (Appendix A), and the Client agrees to pay for these services.

1.3. **Term:** The term for service provision is from [DATE] to [DATE].

2. Payment and Tax Obligations

2.1. **Amount and Currency:** The total compensation amount is [SPECIFY AMOUNT] in [SPECIFY CURRENCY, e.g., USD equivalent].

2.2. **Payment Terms:** Payment shall be made [SPECIFY PAYMENT TERMS: installments, upon completion, advance].

2.3. **Expenses:** The Service Provider shall bear its own operational expenses unless otherwise expressly stated in Appendix A. The Association's expense reimbursement policy does not apply to the Service Provider.

2.4. **Tax Obligations:** The Service Provider agrees to comply with the Association's Tax Compliance Policy and bears sole responsibility for payment of all taxes, fees, and levies related to the compensation.

3. Intellectual Property

3.1. **Rights Transfer:** The Service Provider hereby irrevocably transfers to the Client all rights, title, and interest in Intellectual Property (hereinafter "IP"), including but not limited to copyrights, patents, know-how, and source code, created in the course of providing services under this Agreement (hereinafter the "Work Results").

3.2. **Full Transfer:** IP shall be deemed fully transferred to the Client upon receipt by the Service Provider of the final payment.

3.3. **Public Domain** (optional): The Client reserves the right, at its discretion (via On-Chain Voting), to decide on immediate transfer of the Work Results to the Public Domain. The Service Provider agrees to cooperate in this regard.

4. Liability and Termination

4.1. **Disclaimer of Warranties:** The Service Provider acknowledges that the Client (the Association) is a decentralized autonomous association, and its liability is limited exclusively to the funds controlled by the Association's smart contracts and does not extend to personal assets of the Representative or Association members.

4.2. **Tax Indemnity:** The Service Provider agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Association, its Representatives, and members from any claims, penalties, fines, and legal costs arising from the Service Provider's failure to comply with tax or social legislation in its jurisdiction.

4.3. **Termination:** The Agreement may be terminated:

4.3.1. By mutual agreement of the Parties.

4.3.2. Immediately by the Client in case of material breach of obligations by the Service Provider.

5. Applicable Law and Dispute Resolution

5.1. **Applicable Law:** This Agreement and all related disputes, disagreements, or claims shall be governed and construed in accordance with the substantive law of Switzerland, without application of its conflict of law rules.

5.2. **Exclusive Arbitration:** Any disputes, disagreements, or claims arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be finally resolved by mandatory arbitration in accordance with the "Arbitration Rules," which are incorporated by reference and form an integral part of this Agreement.

6. Effective Date

6.1. **Effective Date:** This Agreement shall enter into force as of the date of signature by the Parties.

6.2. **Consistency:** This Template is approved by the Association under the Governance Resolution. Appendix A constitutes an integral part of this Agreement.