

BYLAWS OF REDE RESSOAR ASSOCIATION

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PREAMBLE

We are those who heard the calling.

Those who feel, even within chaos, the signs of a new dimension.

We envisioned Rede Ressoar not as a structure, but as a call of Love for a new era —
a time when life ceases to be dominated and begins to be celebrated;
when paths are not imposed, but walked through listening, freedom, and trust.

We know that we are not here only for ourselves.

We are seeds and portals.

Forerunners of another way of existing —

where care for the Earth, bonds among beings, and awareness of the Whole guide every choice.

Through this collective gesture, we open a path for future generations
to grow in a world where the laughter of children echoes through free territories,
where play is safe, learning is alive,
and life is celebrated with simplicity and enchantment.
A world where cooperation replaces competition,
and simplicity and the common become sacred once more.

Our commitment is not with the comfort of the present,
but with the patient construction of the foundations of a New Era —
where every being has space and freedom to manifest Love
and thus, to fully be.

This project is conceived for a purpose that transcends the individual existence of each of us,
seeking a lasting and meaningful transformation for all humankind.

This Bylaw is a landmark:

A firm step toward the **Loving Revolution**,
where existence is once again felt.

CHAPTER ONE — NAME AND LEGAL NATURE

Article 1 — Name

Under the name **Rede Ressoar Association**, or simply “**Rede Ressoar**”, this nonprofit civil association is hereby established, governed by these Bylaws, by its Internal Regulations, by Law No. 10.406/2002 (Brazilian Civil Code), and, when applicable, by Law No. 9.790/1999 (Law of Civil Society Organizations of Public Interest – OSCIPs), founded on April 20, 2025.

Sole Paragraph – The Rede Ressoar Association acts as the institutional space for support and manifestation of **Rede Ressoar** — a living network of territories, collectives, and communities that organize themselves based on the principles of **Love**, as expressed in Article 7 of these Bylaws.

The Association is not an end in itself, but an instrument of service to the network and its regenerative purposes.

Article 2 — Headquarters

Rede Ressoar shall have its provisional administrative headquarters in the city of **Porto Alegre – RS**, at **Rua José Albano de Bittencourt, No. 23, Ground Floor, Sarandi District, ZIP 91140-004**, and may establish or transfer its headquarters to any other address, within or outside the municipality, by deliberation of the **Steward Circle** or the **General Assembly**, without the need to amend these Bylaws, provided that such decision is recorded in a duly registered meeting minute.

§1 – The Association may maintain operational spaces, representations, or branches in other localities within the national territory or abroad, either on a permanent, temporary, or itinerant basis.

§2 – In the event of transfer of the headquarters to another municipality, the Association’s registration shall be transferred to the notary office competent for the new location.

Article 3 — Duration

The duration of Rede Ressoar is **indefinite**.

CHAPTER TWO — OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPLES

Section I — Objectives of the Association

Article 4 — Objectives

To promote the regeneration of relationships among human beings, nature, and spirituality through practices, territories, and alliances that express **Love** in its multiple forms and dimensions.

To this end, Rede Ressoar aims to:

- a) defend, conserve, and regenerate the environment and ecosystems, promoting sustainable ways of life and care practices for water, soil, forests, and all living beings;
- b) strengthen autonomous, self-organized, and solidarity-based communities that operate under principles of horizontality, collective land stewardship, consent-based decision-making, and respect for each being's uniqueness;
- c) develop projects aligned with the social function of land and ecological justice, focusing on agroecology, reforestation, permaculture, bioconstruction, regenerative ecotourism, and the cooperative generation of abundance;
- d) foster food, energy, economic, and cultural self-sufficiency through networks of production, sharing, and solidarity-based exchange of goods, knowledge, and affection;
- e) welcome and support the full expression of all beings in their physical, emotional, mental, spiritual, and energetic dimensions, respecting the plurality of paths, traditions, medicines, and ways of being in the world;
- f) create living environments for coexistence, listening, artistic expression, beauty, play, and celebration of life, where direct experience with the world becomes a source of meaning, healing, and creation;
- g) research, support, and develop experiences of free, unschooling, and libertarian education based on collaborative, nonviolent, and dialogical processes;
- h) weave intra- and inter-community networks that connect people, collectives, territories, and cultures into a living web of mutual support, exchange of knowledge, and practices of good living;
- i) occupy and care for territories collectively, respecting bioregions and seeking balance among ecological, spiritual, social, and economic dimensions, with human-scale settlements integrated into nature and guided by sustainable continuity;
- j) articulate ancestral wisdoms and regenerative technologies in dialogue with public policies, Indigenous peoples, traditional communities, social movements, and allied organizations;
- k) research, develop, and share sustainable, appropriate, and open-source technologies integrating science, ancestry, community innovation, digital tools, and low-impact solutions that promote autonomy, ecological justice, and well-being;
- l) employ decentralized digital technologies such as blockchain, smart contracts, and tokens as instruments for organization, transparency, and trust within community relations;
- m) create social currencies, support tokens, and collaborative digital platforms aligned with the Association's mission, as means of strengthening networks of care, collective financing, and regenerative belonging.

Sole Paragraph — Rede Ressoar recognizes decentralized and open-source technologies as allies in the regeneration of life, the transparency of relationships, and the construction of autonomous community networks, and commits to experimenting with them ethically, sensitively, and for collective purpose.

Section II — Institutional Structure and Relationships

Article 5 — Internal Regulations

Rede Ressoar shall have Internal Regulations, approved by the General Assembly, which will govern its operations and are binding upon all members and entities associated with it, as well as any individuals or organizations formally connected to or participating in the Network's activities — including volunteers, collaborators, service providers, and visitors involved in or present at its premises or projects.

Article 6 — Institutional Relationships, Partnerships, and Resource Mobilization

Rede Ressoar shall not maintain institutional ties with religions, political parties, or entities whose practices or values contradict its fundamental principles.

§1 – The Association nonetheless recognizes and respects the diversity of beliefs, philosophies, cultures, and ways of life, ensuring an environment in which all members can freely express their spirituality, personal values, and worldviews, provided these remain in harmony with its objectives and principles.

§2 – The Association may establish partnerships, agreements, and contracts with natural or legal persons, public or private, national or international — including religious, philosophical, spiritual, cultural, or business organizations — provided the joint actions are compatible with the principles of Rede Ressoar and promote positive impact aligned with its objectives.

§3 – Such partnerships do not constitute institutional affiliation nor imply full endorsement of the practices or ideologies of the entities involved, being assessed on a case-by-case basis to ensure coherence with the Association's values.

§4 – The Association may engage in dialogue and cooperation with public, legislative, and governmental bodies to promote policies and actions aligned with its objectives, without affiliation to political parties, candidates, or electoral campaigns.

§5 – The Association may enter into contracts or cooperation agreements with natural or legal persons, public or private, national or foreign, for institutional support, project financing, or resource mobilization aimed at fulfilling its social purposes, including programs for land acquisition and the formation of new communities.

Sole Paragraph — Such partnerships may involve, as symbolic counterparts, the issuance of certificates, tokens, seals, or equivalent instruments of community engagement and support, without constituting securities or promises of direct financial return from the Association.

Section III — The Fundamental Principle and Its Manifestations

Article 7 — Fundamental Principle of Rede Ressoar

Rede Ressoar is founded on **Love**, understood as the vital force that connects all living beings and nature.

This principle transcends individualism and anthropocentrism, guiding all actions of the Association.

It manifests through **seven fundamental pillars**:

1. **Love as Interexistence and Freedom**

Interexistence recognizes the living web that unites us; true freedom arises from respect for life in its fullness.

The Association is committed to **Abolitionist Veganism**, recognizing that all sentient beings have the inalienable right to live free from exploitation or suffering.

Relations between humans, non-humans, and the planet must be based on reciprocity and ethical balance, ensuring harmonious coexistence.

2. **Love as Balance and Regeneration**

Sustainability is not only a necessity but an ethical duty.

We commit to practices that restore and strengthen ecosystems, recognizing that humanity is part of nature and must act regeneratively.

Our mission is to ensure the continuity of life in its diversity, making environmental restoration a foundation for the continuity of existence.

3. **Love as Autonomy and Equity**

True justice arises from horizontality and collective construction.

The Association adopts decentralized governance models, free from oppressive hierarchies, where all voices are heard and respected.

Self-management, cooperation, and restorative logic guide our social relations, promoting autonomy and collective empowerment.

4. **Love as Collaboration and Belonging**

The sense of community strengthens bonds and transforms lives.

We value empathy, solidarity, and the sharing of knowledge.

Conflicts are seen as opportunities for learning and reconnection, to be resolved through dialogue, active listening, and restorative practices that expand collective consciousness and reinforce the sense of belonging.

5. **Love as Connection and Spirituality**

Spirituality, free from dogma and imposition, is a path toward deep understanding of the interconnection among beings.

We respect the diversity of philosophies, encourage self-knowledge, and foster connection with existence, promoting a space of freedom and respect for different individual journeys.

6. **Love as Creation and Expression**

Creativity is the essence of transformation.

We value art, innovation, and free expression as ways to build new realities and re-signify the world.

We believe that the creative act is a portal for expanding consciousness and

strengthening harmony among all beings.

7. **Love as Regenerative Economy and Sharing**

The future of the economy is collaborative, regenerative, and solidarity-based.

We promote economic models grounded in cooperation and collective autonomy, encouraging practices that respect life and distribute resources consciously.

Prosperity is not measured solely by material abundance, but by the positive impact we generate in the world.

Guidelines

§1 – The commitment to **Abolitionist Veganism** means that in all activities, events, projects, and facilities of the Association, no products or practices involving, directly or indirectly, animal exploitation or suffering shall be used, consumed, or promoted.

§2 – People who do not yet follow veganism are welcome to the Association, provided they respect this guideline and understand that the Association is a space aligned with its fundamental ethical principles, offering everyone the opportunity to learn, evolve, and engage on a path of respect for life.

§3 – The Association may use digital tools such as tokens, social currencies, and decentralized platforms as expressions of **Regenerative Economy**, respecting the ethical, ecological, and community principles of the Network.

CHAPTER THREE — MEMBERS AND TERRITORIAL REPRESENTATION

Section I — Admission and Participation of Members

Article 8 — Members

The Rede Ressoar Association shall be composed of natural and legal persons who freely and consciously commit to the fundamental principles expressed in Article 7 of these Bylaws, as well as to the provisions contained herein and in the Internal Regulations.

§1 – The following may become members:

a) Natural persons, aged 18 or over, who share the values of Rede Ressoar and wish to collaborate with its mission through their presence, time, knowledge, resources, or other forms of conscious contribution;

b) Legal entities of any nature, provided their practices and purposes are compatible with the ethical, ecological, and regenerative principles of the Association.

§2 – Admission as a member shall occur through an expression of interest and a process of listening and welcoming conducted by the **Steward Circle**, according to criteria established in the Internal Regulations.

To ensure rootedness and ethical coherence, an initial period of coexistence and integration may be established before a new member acquires the right to participate in governance spaces.

§3 – This integration period shall be defined collectively by the **General Assembly** or the **Steward Circle**, and may vary depending on the context, the member's trajectory, and the type of relationship sought. Availability, involvement, and harmony with the Association's principles shall be taken into consideration.

§4 – Collectives or communities that do not yet have legal personality may join Rede Ressoar as territories or partner projects, participating in the living network through the **Integration Committee** (Article 9), without the need for immediate formal membership.

§5 – The Association embraces diverse forms of contribution — financial, emotional, operational, technical, cultural, or spiritual — and values voluntary, conscious, and co-responsible participation from each member, without mandatory financial obligations.

§6 – All members have the right to participate in General Assemblies, decision-making processes, and to assume functions within the Association's management bodies, as provided for in these Bylaws and the Internal Regulations, and respecting the integration period described in the previous paragraphs.

§7 – The remaining rights and duties of members shall be defined in the Internal Regulations, in coherence with the principles set forth in these Bylaws, and respecting criteria of conscious participation, voluntary contribution, active listening, mutual care, and alignment with the objectives of Rede Ressoar.

Section II — Integration Committee of Rede Ressoar

Article 9 — Integration Committee

An **Integration Committee** shall be established with the purpose of fostering cooperation, exchange, and mutual care among the ecovillages, partner projects, and territories that compose the living network of Rede Ressoar.

§1 – Each ecovillage, collective, or project with a formal link to the Network may appoint up to two (2) persons to the Committee, according to the internal criteria of its own organization or community.

§2 – Persons appointed to the Committee need not be formal members of Rede Ressoar, provided they are recognized by their communities and committed to the principles established in Article 7.

§3 – The Integration Committee shall be responsible for:

I – Facilitating the exchange of experiences, information, and best practices among territories;

II – Promoting listening and mutual support among the projects of the network;

- III – Developing collaborative protocols for crisis, emergency, or conflict situations;
- IV – Appointing representatives of Rede Ressoar to governance bodies in initiatives where the Network holds such right;
- V – Acting as a permanent space for articulation, integration, and ethical guardianship of the living network.

§4 – The Committee shall meet regularly, either in person or remotely, and its decisions shall be made by sociocratic consent.

Its recommendations may be ratified by the **General Assembly** of the Association when necessary.

§5 – Rotation of representatives within the Committee may be encouraged to promote renewal of perspectives, empowerment of new members, and broader territorial listening.

§6 – Only representatives of ecovillages, collectives, or territories that, as organized groups, have formally committed to the principles defined in Article 7 — the Fundamental Principle of Love and its seven manifestations — and demonstrate practical and continuous coherence with such principles in their collective action, shall have full participation rights in the Committee’s deliberative processes.

§7 – Verification of this commitment shall be carried out through mechanisms established in the Internal Regulations or in a complementary document of Rede Ressoar, based on active listening, respectful dialogue, and transparency among peers.

§8 – Collectives, projects, or territories that are not yet fully aligned or committed to the founding principles of the Network may participate in the living network in a collaborative capacity, taking part in activities, exchanges, and experiences, but without deliberative rights in the governance spaces of the Network.

CHAPTER FOUR — ORGANIC STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

Article 10 — Organizational Structure

The Rede Ressoar Association adopts an organizational structure based on self-management, decentralization, and consent.

It is composed of the following bodies and circles:

- I – **General Assembly**;
 - II – **Steward Circle**;
 - III – **Integration Committee of Rede Ressoar**;
 - IV – **Thematic, Territorial, or Project Circles**;
 - V – **Fiscal Council** (when established).
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Article 11 — General Assembly

The **General Assembly** is the supreme decision-making body of the Association, composed of all members in full enjoyment of their statutory rights.

§1 – The Assembly is responsible for deliberating on strategic matters, approving reports and accounts, appointing stewards, amending the Bylaws, and issuing general guidelines.

§2 – Assemblies may take place in person, remotely, or in hybrid format, depending on feasibility.

§3 – Decisions shall preferably be made by consent, with the possibility of establishing timeframes for listening and integrating objections when necessary.

§4 – Members in good standing may propose agendas, convene Assemblies as provided in the Internal Regulations, and exercise their rights of voice and deliberation in accordance with current legislation and these Bylaws.

Article 12 — Steward Circle

The **Steward Circle** is the executive and institutional coordination body of Rede Ressoar Association.

§1 – The Steward Circle shall be composed of at least two (2) and at most eleven (11) members, with a three-year (3) term, and may be reappointed.

Appointments and replacements of its members shall occur through deliberation of the General Assembly.

§2 – The duties of the Steward Circle include:

- a) Representing the Association legally and institutionally, including before public agencies, financial institutions, and digital platforms;
- b) Implementing the resolutions of the General Assembly and executing the Association's strategic planning;
- c) Managing the administrative, institutional, accounting, and financial affairs;
- d) Authorizing the execution of contracts, agreements, partnerships, and acquisitions on behalf of the Association;
- e) Supporting and coordinating Thematic, Territorial, or Project Circles;
- f) Evaluating the admission of new members according to criteria established in the Internal Regulations;
- g) Promoting processes of education, listening, integration, care, and community celebration;
- h) Convening ordinary or extraordinary General Assemblies whenever necessary or as provided in these Bylaws and the Internal Regulations.

§3 – The institutional representation of the Association may be exercised individually by any member of the Steward Circle, unless the nature of the act requires joint signature, as defined in the Internal Regulations.

§4 – As a general rule, the operation of bank accounts and the signing of financial contracts shall require the joint signatures of two members of the Steward Circle, unless a specific resolution authorizes individual representation for a particular purpose or project.

§5 – The Steward Circle may delegate management and financial authority to individuals or to Thematic, Territorial, or Project Circles, provided such decision is recorded in registered minutes with expressly defined limits.

Such authorization may include:

- I – Opening and managing specific bank accounts;
- II – Managing resources related to projects, partnerships, or territorial actions;
- III – Contracting services or making payments related to the delegated scope.

§6 – Exceptionally, the first mandate of the Steward Circle shall remain in effect until December 31, 2028, in order to align management cycles with the entity's multiannual strategic planning.

Article 13 — Integration Committee of Rede Ressoar

The **Integration Committee** is the permanent space for articulation of the living web of Rede Ressoar.

§1 – It is composed of representatives of ecovillages, collectives, and partner territories, as defined in Article 9 of these Bylaws.

§2 – It operates by promoting exchanges, protocols of mutual support, interterritorial listening, and appointing representatives of the Network to governance bodies of projects and partnerships.

§3 – Its decisions shall be made by sociocratic consent and may be submitted to the General Assembly for validation when necessary.

§4 – The Committee may include facilitators, rapporteurs, and timekeepers, and shall encourage rotation of representatives, as provided in its own regulation or the Internal Regulations.

Article 14 — Thematic, Territorial, or Project Circles

The Association may organize itself into various Circles according to themes, territories, or areas of activity, such as:

agroecology, spirituality, culture, communication, bioconstruction, regenerative finance, education, among others.

§1 – Circles have autonomy to propose, plan, and execute activities consistent with the principles and guidelines of the Association.

§2 – Each Circle may include members and external collaborators, provided their actions are in harmony with the values and objectives of Rede Ressoar.

§3 – At the discretion of the Steward Circle, specific Circles may be granted budgetary and financial autonomy, with defined responsibilities, limits, and competences duly recorded in

minutes.

§4 – Each Circle, Territory, or Project may structure itself autonomously, including the creation of sub-circles or other internal organizational forms, provided that self-management principles are respected and communication with the Steward Circle is maintained.

Article 15 — Fiscal Council

The **Fiscal Council**, when established, shall be composed of at least two (2) members, with terms coinciding with that of the Steward Circle.

§1 – The Fiscal Council shall:

- a) Issue opinions on financial statements, accounting reports, and the annual financial report;
- b) Monitor budget execution and suggest improvements for the Association's financial health;
- c) Give opinions on extraordinary or high-impact financial operations, when requested by the General Assembly or the Steward Circle;
- d) Convene extraordinary General Assemblies when necessary to safeguard proper use of resources.

§2 – The Fiscal Council may invite technical collaborators, whether members or external professionals, to join support or financial review commissions.

§3 – Decisions of the Fiscal Council shall follow the principles of active listening and consent.

§4 – If consensus is not reached among Council members, decisions shall be made by simple majority. In case of a tie, the matter shall be submitted to the General Assembly for resolution.

CHAPTER FIVE — ASSETS AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Article 16 — Assets

The assets of the **Rede Ressoar Association** shall consist of:

I – movable and immovable property, vehicles, equipment, instruments, and other assets acquired by purchase, donation, legacy, or any other legal means;

II – donations, grants, contributions, or transfers from individuals or legal entities, public or private, national or international;

III – revenues from agreements, contracts, cooperation accords, and partnership terms with public authorities or private initiatives;

IV – revenues generated by its activities, events, service provision, projects, publications, courses, gatherings, fairs, digital platforms, or other initiatives compatible with its objectives;

V – income from financial investments, funds, crypto-assets, or other lawful instruments for

resource administration;

VI – any other assets or rights that may be incorporated into its patrimony.

Sole Paragraph —

The assets of the Association shall be entirely destined to achieving its statutory objectives, and their distribution — in any form — among members, managers, or collaborators is prohibited, even in the event of withdrawal or dissolution, except as provided in regular service contracts or remunerations established in the Internal Regulations.

Article 17 — Resource Management

The financial management of the Association shall observe the principles of legality, morality, transparency, efficiency, and institutional purpose.

§1 – Resources shall be used exclusively for the maintenance of the Association, execution of its projects, payment of operational expenses, and fulfillment of its social purposes.

§2 – The Association may hire individuals or legal entities — including members — to provide technical or administrative services, provided that payments are compatible with market values and approved by the **Steward Circle**.

§3 – The Association may contract or operate with digital platforms and institutions that enable the receipt of donations, financial support, or other forms of collective contribution, including the allocation of previously agreed percentages as remuneration for services rendered.

§4 – At any time, the Association may create funds, social currencies, tokens, or equivalent systems to facilitate the organization, mobilization, and distribution of resources, provided such instruments respect the principles of these Bylaws and the Internal Regulations.

CHAPTER SIX — DISSOLUTION AND ALLOCATION OF ASSETS

Article 18 — Dissolution of the Association

The dissolution of the **Rede Ressoar Association** may only be deliberated at a **Special General Assembly** convened exclusively for this purpose, with the presence of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members with governance rights, and by consent of all those present.

§1 – The call for the Assembly shall be made at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance, with broad dissemination among members through electronic means and other Network channels, expressly stating the agenda of dissolution.

§2 – The Assembly that deliberates on dissolution shall elect a **Commission** composed of at least three (3) members, responsible for carrying out asset liquidation procedures, final accounting, and the allocation of remaining assets.

Article 19 — Allocation of Assets

In the event of dissolution, the net assets of the Association shall be allocated to another **nonprofit private entity**, preferably one aligned with the principles of Rede Ressoar, duly registered in Brazil and with similar social purposes, as defined by the Assembly.

§1 – Before the allocation referred to in the main clause, members — or their legal representatives — shall have the right to receive, as restitution, the amounts they have formally and demonstrably contributed to the Association’s assets, duly adjusted for inflation, especially those linked to contributions, shares, or investments for collective use or specific purposes, provided such contributions are duly registered according to the Internal Regulations.

§2 – The distribution of assets, profits, or surpluses to any member, director, or collaborator of the Network is prohibited, except for authorized reimbursements of expenses or regular service contracts.

CHAPTER SEVEN — GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 20 — Protection of the Fundamental Principle

The fundamental principle of the Association, expressed in **Article 7** as **Love** and its natural unfoldings — *interexistence and freedom; balance and regeneration; autonomy and equity; collaboration and belonging; connection and spirituality; creation and expression; regenerative economy and sharing* — is immutable and non-negotiable.

It constitutes the essential foundation upon which the Association is structured and evolves, and it may not be suppressed, contradicted, or relativized.

Guidelines

§1 – The Association’s commitment to **Abolitionist Veganism** — that is, to the non-exploitation of animals and equity among all sentient beings — is a central and immutable principle. Regardless of terminology that may be adopted in the future, this commitment cannot be altered, diminished, or relativized under any circumstance.

§2 – The text of Article 7 may only be reformulated to enhance its clarity or to accompany the conceptual evolution of its principles, provided that no modification compromises, reduces, or distorts its essence or natural unfoldings.

§3 – No decision, deliberation, statutory reform, or institutional body of the Association may suppress, relativize, contradict, or modify the fundamental principle or its unfoldings, including the ethical commitment to non-exploitation of animals.

§4 – Any attempt to modify this Article in violation of its terms shall be considered null and void, and must be immediately rejected by all bodies of the Association.

Article 21 — Patrimonial Autonomy

The assets, rights, and obligations of the **Rede Ressoar Association** are autonomous and shall never be confused with the personal assets of its members, managers, or collaborators, under any circumstance.

Article 22 — Jurisdiction

The venue for resolving any doubts or disputes arising from these Bylaws shall be the **court of the city where the Association's headquarters is located** at the time of legal action, which is hereby elected as the exclusive competent jurisdiction, with express waiver of any other, however privileged it may be.

Porto Alegre, Rio Grande do Sul, April 20, 2025

STEWARD CIRCLE

(Names of current representatives as per the latest registered minutes)

ATTORNEY

(Legal representative registered in Brazil)