

# ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS

## Bylaws of the Section on European Law

### Article 1: Name and Purpose

Section 1. Name. This Section shall be known as the Section on European Law

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of this Section is to promote the communication of ideas, interests, and activities among members and to make recommendations on matters of interest in the teaching and improvement of the law relation to European Law.

### Article II: Membership

Section 1. Membership. Membership in the Section is open to any faculty person of a law school which is a member of the Association of American Law Schools (hereinafter referred to as AALS).

Section 2. Privileges of Members. Regular members may vote in person at all Section meetings and participate in all activities of the Section.

### Article III: Officers, Committees

Section 1. Officers

- (a) The named officers of this Section are the Chair, and Chair-Elect.
- (b) The Chair-Elect shall be elected at the annual meeting of the AALS and shall qualify by acceptance. The Chair-Elect shall become the Chair upon the expiration of the Chair's term of office or upon the vacancy of that office for any other reasons
- (c) The officers named in paragraph 1(a) shall serve for a term of one or two years.

Section 2. The Executive Committee.

- (a) The Executive Committee shall consist of those named in paragraph 1(a) of this Article, the immediate past Chair, and at least three other members of the Section who shall be elected at the annual meeting of the AALS and who shall qualify by acceptance. The Executive Committee may designate a Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, or other specific roles on an annual basis as appropriate.
- (b) The Executive Committee shall meet each year at the annual meeting of the AALS, and otherwise be on call for the Chair.

### Article IV: Nomination and Elections

Section 1. Nominations. The Nominating Committee for the subsequent year shall be appointed no earlier than Labor Day, nor later than Thanksgiving, prior to the annual meeting of the AALS. The Nominating Committee shall consist of at least three members of the Section. The Nominating Committee shall receive and consider suggestions of persons to serve in those

offices named in paragraph 1(a) of Article III, or as Executive Committee members, and shall report a slate of nominees to the Section for election at the business meeting of the Section at that annual meeting.

Section 2. Elections. The officers named in paragraph 1(a) of Article III, other than the Chair, shall be elected at the annual meeting. Nominations shall be received from the Nominating Committee and from the floor. Elections shall be by voice vote unless, before the meeting, five Section members inform the Chair of their desire for a written ballot.

#### **Article V: Duties of Named Officers**

Section 1. Chair. The Chair of the Section shall preside at all meetings of the Section and of the Executive Committee. The Chair shall present at each annual meeting of the AALS a report of the Section for the prior year, and shall be responsible for the program of the Section and preparation of its budget request.

Section 2. Chair-Elect. The Chair-Elect of the Section shall assist the Chair, as the Chair may request, and shall perform the duties of the Chair during absence or disability of the Chair. If the office of the Chair becomes vacant, the Chair-Elect shall succeed to the office of the chair at the next annual meeting of the Section.

#### **Article VI: Income**

Section 1. Expenditures. Section dues and other Section income may be spent in accordance with applicable AALS and Section policies, regulations and bylaws. The chair shall confirm that each expenditure is permitted by AALS and Section policy and shall ensure that the Section's Executive Committee complies with any applicable AALS policy requiring notification of the AALS in advance of an expenditure.

#### **Article VII: Amendments**

Section 1. Amendments. These bylaws may be amended at the annual meeting of the Section by a majority of the regular members of the Section, present and voting.