

## **The Assembly of Religions**

### ***Regulations***

#### ***Introduction***

The following regulations discipline the activities of the Assembly of Religions, a consultancy organism of the Interfaith Committee (Comitato Interfedi) of Torino 2006. The Assembly of Religions has been set up to enable all religions to take part in the activities planned for the Olympic event, to share the principles and the values of ethnic, cultural and religious pluralism and to promote the dialogue between faiths.

#### ***Art. 1 –Composition of the Assembly of Religions***

All religious denominations may belong to the Assembly of Religions that have relations with the Italian State under articles 3, 8 and 19 of the Constitution and application laws of these, as per Law 24 June 1929, no. 1159 and R.D. 28 February 1930, no. 289 and, more generally, in compliance with State legislation in effect regarding religious freedom.

Other religious groups, which do not fulfill all the prerequisites specified above, may apply to take part in the Assembly of Religions as auditors, if they can present public acts which clearly indicate their social objectives.

Applications for participation must be addressed to the offices of TOROC as self-candidacy.

The applications for participation will be assessed and discussed by the Interfaith Committee and admitted, with secret and unappealable vote expressed by the absolute majority of the Committee members present. For the above assessment of the participants, at least 5 (five) of the 8 (eight) effective members of the Torino 2006 Interfaith Committee must be present.

The number of members of the Assembly of Religions depends on the number of religious denominations taking part. Each religious group may have one representative.

The members of the Assembly of Religions offer their contribution on a voluntary basis.

### ***Art. 2 – Purpose:***

The Assembly of Religions is set up to perform the following activities:

Propose and discuss with the Interfaith Committee of Torino 2006 issues tied to:

- Religious pluralism for the athletes, the Olympic Family and the spectators;
- Inter-religious dialogue in the spirit of encounters between cultures and faiths;
- Understanding of the spiritual legacy of the different religious communities;
- The guarantee of direct and correct information on the spiritual services available for tourists, spectators and athletes during the Games.

### ***Art. 3 – Convocation of the Assembly***

The meetings of the Assembly of Religions are called by the President of TOROC or by his delegate.

The convocation will be by notification, also by fax, sent at least fifteen days before the meeting date to all the effective members.

The convocation notification will specify the day, the time and the venue of the meeting and also the topics of the agenda.

### ***Art. 4 – Participation in the Meetings***

All effective members and auditors, along with the members of the Interfaith Committee of Torino 2006 may take part in the assembly.

For an Assembly of Religions meeting to be valid, the absolute majority of the effective members must be present.

The C.E.O. of TOROC, and/or other directors of TOROC may also take part in the meetings, even without formal convocation, if they are competent in the issues to be discussed.

Written minutes of the works will be taken by the meeting secretary selected from the TOROC employees; the minutes will be delivered to all the effective members.

### ***Art. 5 - Approval***

These regulations are subject to the formal approval of the Interfaith Committee of Torino 2006, after which they shall become valid and effective.