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President's Editorial

"It seems that Belgian authorities, rather than calming down in the run up to the elections in June, have become more active, among other, in the enforcement of regulations affecting associations.

You may have recently seen the News Flash we sent you from our associate member EY Law Belgium: now that the transitional period for the 2019 Company and Association Code (CAC) has ended, some associations whose Statutes have not been updated in conformity with the requirements of the CAC have seen the Dutch-speaking registry of the Enterprise Court of Brussels refusing filings and publications in the Annexes to the Belgian Official Gazette. This inevitably will lead to problems, as the association will not be able to comply with its obligations to publish changes to its board or to update the UBO register. Failure to update the UBO register has, of course, already led several members to face issues with their banks which have closed association accounts sometimes with out any warning..[...]."

Future Events

25.04.24 | 12:00 - 14:30 | FAIB Lunch-debate

IP essentials: Unlocking potential within your association
with Antoine Druetz, Kelly Matthyssens, & Dirk Beeckman - EY Law-Belgium
Venue: M.A.I., rue Washington 40, 1050 Ixelles

04.06.24 | 12:00 - 14:30 | FAIB Salary Benchmark
Unveiling of the FAIB Salary Benchmark 2023

*Annual Remuneration and Benefits Survey for NGOs,
Professional and Trade Associations*
with Alain Costantini, Nicolas Tancredi, & Stijn Spingard, DWMC
Venue: M.A.I., rue Washington 40, 1050 Ixelles

24.09.24 | 12:00 - 14:30 | FAIB Lunch-debate
Mandatory e-invoicing for non-profits as from 2026: how to get prepared?
with Antoine Druetz - EY Law-Belgium
Venue: M.A.I., rue Washington 40, 1050 Ixelles

Other topics will be addressed in future events, so keep an eye here for updates:



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This month's articles for members in FAIB News

- ***Any Other Business (AOB): A Life Saviour or a Bad Practice?*** // by Antoine Druetz - Partner, Alix Degrez - Counsel, and Léa Cartier - Junior Associate at EY Law
- ***The Future of International Associations: The European Cross-Border Association?*** // by Mélanie Schollaert - Attorney-at-law, and Avril Miller - Attorney-at-law at Loyens & Loeff
- ***Board Bans: Form to Be Used When Publishing the Appointment of New Board Members in the Belgian Official Journal*** // by Alain Costantini - Partner, and Julian Delplanche - Counsel at DWMC
- ***The VAT Aspects of Organising Your Event Abroad*** // by Bernard Ickowicz, Partner at VAT Desk
- ***Implementation and Use of AI at the Workplace: Employment Law Aspects*** // by Christophe Delmarcelle, Founding Partner at DEL-Law

FAIB's missions

Pursue every initiative to encourage European and international associations to settle and remain in Belgium.

Represent its members to third parties and defend their interests towards all public and private bodies.

Obtain legal recognition of associations and the associative movement by Belgian, European and international authorities.

Facilitate its member's activities in every possible way within its remits.

Assist its members with joint studies, administrative and auxiliary services, etc.

Keep its members informed of developments in legal, administrative and all relevant

matters impacting them.

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The current FAIB annual membership fees are:

- **245 € for full members with an annual budget of less than 620.000 € .**
- **365 € for full members with an annual budget of more than 620.000 € or having an office or mailbox at the MAI (International Associations Centre) .**

Join us as a member today and you will enjoy a **10 to 15% reduction** in the cost of hiring meeting rooms in the Maison des Associations Internationales. Depending on the room hired, just a few meetings in their meeting rooms will allow you to cover the cost of your annual FAIB membership fee (max. 360.-€). This is yet another of the benefits you will enjoy by being an FAIB member!

FAQ



The articles mentioned above and much more can now be found under our **FAQs page on the website**, which contains valuable documents - primarily meant for its members - such as draft statutes, practical guidance on the Company and Association Code, on dealing with banks, etc.

The FAQs page has been created in order to provide answers to the many questions asked by International Associations. If you are an association but not a member of the FAIB and wish to access the FAQ page, the cost is 360 €/year. [For more information, contact the FAIB Team at \[faib@faib.org\]\(mailto:faib@faib.org\).](#)

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FAIB DIGEST

Main topics covered in the FAIB News - distributed by email to non-member international associations in Belgium and posted on the homepage of the FAIB website. It keeps non-members updated on FAIB activities.