ERA RECOMMENDS TRAIL

Article 1

European Ramblers' Association (ERA) creates the label "ERA RECOMMENDS TRAIL".

Article 2

ERA has protected sign and logo and it can't be used without permission of ERA. For this reason, any trail stakeholder can't use it without permission of ERA.

Article 3

The logo **"ERA Recommends Trail"** is a registered trademark of the ERA. The ERA recommendation label has been checked by ERA according to good application and use. However, the testing cannot ever truly reflect the range of situations encountered in practice.

Article 4

ERA Recommends Trail label supports the ERA and its mission to promote walking¹.

Article 5

To ensure ERA's quality standards, ERA has a Working Group "E—Paths" which considers the proposed Trail and suggests to the ERA Presidium. The ERA Presidium gives a final decision.

Article 6

The label for the recommended trail, will valid for 3 years. After 3 years, the recommended trail should be controlled. A label owner or keeper every 3rd year shall prove to ERA, that the criteria are fulfilled. In the opposite, the ERA recommendation will be pulled back and will be deleted.

Article 7

ERA may to recommend trails with certain quality and where <u>all</u> criteria are fulfilled:

- The trail is well marked and easy to follow, either by map or electronically
- The trail is properly maintained
- The trail is accepted (or certified) by the local, regional, national or international authorities
- The trail is published on map and properly described
- The trail is accessible with public transport

¹ Walking includes rambling and hiking.

- The trail is having a name, a brand and a clear purpose
- The trail:
 - o Passes as much nature as possible.
 - o Passes viewpoints, natural sceneries and cultural points.
 - Passes varied and varying landscapes.
 - o Avoids sealed road and traffic roads, cycling paths as much as possible

Article 8

For the interpretation and change of this document is responsible the ERA Presidium after getting opinion of the WG E-paths.