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## ARTICLE I

### PROJECT OVERVIEW

- 1.1. Project Identity:** The Guardian Girls Judo (“GGJ”) project is a global initiative of Guardian Girls International (“GGI”), an international non-governmental organization (NGO) affiliated with the Koyamada International Foundation (“KIF”) and its KIF National Chapters. GGJ forms part of GGI’s broader mission to advance gender equality and empower women and girls worldwide through sport, education, and community engagement.
- 1.2. International Positioning:** GGI does not currently have a formal international agreement with the any international and regional Judo governing organizations. Accordingly, GGJ does not claim endorsement, governance authority, or technical oversight from them. All Judo-specific technical matters — including instruction, grading, coaching standards, and competition rules — remain under the authority of the participating National Judo Federation (“NJF”), in accordance with its statutes and international obligations.
- 1.3. Purpose and Social Mission:** GGJ harnesses the philosophy, discipline, and global reach of Judo as a vehicle for positive social impact. Through structured seminars, training programs, and leadership pathways, the project promotes gender equality, builds confidence and resilience among women and girls, and contributes to the prevention and reduction of violence against women and girls.
- 1.4. Governing Standards:** All GGJ activities must be implemented in full compliance with the GGI Program Standards (“**Program Standards**”) and this GGJ Project Guidelines (“**GGJ Guidelines**”). These standards ensure consistency, safeguarding, quality assurance, and alignment with GGI’s global mission.
- 1.5. National Implementation Framework:** At the national level, GGJ is implemented through structured collaboration between a recognized NJF and the Guardian Girls National Committee (“**GGNC**”), formally recognized by GGI.
- 1.6. Role of the GGNC President:** The GGNC President serves as GGI’s official representative in the country and is responsible for ensuring that GGJ activities align with GGI’s mission, safeguarding principles, and brand standards. The GGNC President does not exercise authority over technical Judo matters, which remain under the jurisdiction of the NJF.
- 1.7. Role of the National Judo Federation:** The NJF serves as the national technical authority for Judo and is responsible for coordinating and delivering GGJ activities within its jurisdiction. In fulfilling this role, the NJF works collaboratively with the GGNC President to ensure both technical integrity and mission alignment.
- 1.8. Role of Certified GGJ Instructors:** Certified GGJ Instructors, trained in accordance with these Guidelines and recognized by the NJF for technical competence, deliver GGJ seminars, workshops, and training programs in alignment with safeguarding and empowerment principles.
- 1.9. Role of Partner Organizations:** National and local partner organizations — including governmental institutions, UN agencies, NGOs, schools, universities, and community organizations — may support GGJ implementation through outreach, logistics, education, and community engagement.



- 1.10. Integrity and Compliance:** All GGJ activities must be conducted in a manner that preserves the integrity of the Guardian Girls brand, respects the authority of the NJF in technical matters, and upholds the highest standards of safeguarding, professionalism, and ethical responsibility.

## ARTICLE II OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the GGJ project reflect the mission of GGI to advance gender equality and contribute to the elimination of violence against women and girls through the transformative power of sport.

- 2.1. Empowerment Through Judo:** GGJ seeks to empower women and girls by equipping them with practical skills, knowledge, discipline, and confidence through the structured practice of Judo. The program aims to strengthen their ability to prevent and respond to situations of violence while fostering self-respect and resilience.
- 2.2. Promotion of Gender Equality:** GGJ promotes gender equality by leveraging the national and international presence of Judo and the leadership of participating NJFs. Through sport, the project encourages equal participation, leadership opportunities, and visibility for women and girls.
- 2.3. Development of Female Leadership:** GGJ supports NJFs in implementing the program by training and certifying qualified female instructors to lead GGJ activities in their respective countries. This approach strengthens female leadership within the Judo community.
- 2.4. Standardized Education and Certification:** GGJ establishes recurring seminars and a standardized Instructor Certification Course, organized at the national level in coordination with GGI. These programs ensure consistent quality, safeguarding standards, and empowerment-based teaching methods.
- 2.5. Mission-Aligned Collaboration:** GGJ promotes and upholds the mission and values of GGI through collaborative engagement with NJFs, educational institutions, governments, and community partners. Activities may include co-hosted events, public forums, and strategic initiatives that advance shared objectives.
- 2.6. Public and Institutional Awareness:** GGJ raises awareness among sports institutions, policymakers, and the broader public about Judo as a powerful tool for advancing gender equality, women's safety, and leadership development. The project contributes to broader social change aligned with international frameworks, including the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Gender Equality and Inclusion objectives.
- 2.7. Leadership and Personal Development:** GGJ fosters leadership, confidence, discipline, and personal agency among women and girls within both the Judo community and wider society, encouraging long-term participation and active citizenship.
- 2.8. Alignment with Global Development Goals:** GGJ contributes to the advancement of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls, through structured sport-based programming and community engagement.



## ARTICLE III

### PROJECT STRUCTURE

GGJ project is structured around a series of strategic components designed to support implementation, awareness, capacity-building, and stakeholder engagement at both global and national levels. Each component plays a distinct role in advancing the project's mission while ensuring consistency, quality, safeguarding, and scalability across countries.

**3.1. GJ Seminars:** GGJ Seminars are one-day or short-term community-based events organized and led by recognized NJFs, in coordination with the GGNC President where applicable. These seminars serve as both educational and empowerment platforms and are delivered by Certified GGJ Instructors.

These seminars are designed to:

- 3.1.1. Introduction to Judo-Based Self-Protection:** Introduce women and girls to Judo-based self-defense principles and foundational techniques appropriate to their age and experience.
- 3.1.2. Confidence and Resilience Building:** Build confidence, awareness, discipline, and resilience through the philosophy and practice of Judo.
- 3.1.3. Violence Prevention Awareness: Address** the prevention of violence against women and girls through sport-based empowerment and education.
- 3.1.4. Promotion of Gender Equality:** Promote gender equality and female participation in Judo and sport more broadly.

**3.2. GGJ Instructor Certification Courses:** GGJ Instructor Certification Courses are structured training and certification programs organized by the NJF at the national or regional level, in collaboration with GGI and, where applicable, KIF Chapters and GGNC Presidents.

Certified instructors are formally recognized as Official GGJ Instructors in their designated countries or regions and are authorized to lead GGJ seminars and related outreach activities.

These courses aim to:

- 3.2.1. Female Instructor Development:** Train and certify qualified female Judo instructors to deliver GGJ activities effectively and responsibly.
- 3.2.2. Standardized Methodology and Safeguarding:** Standardize instructional content, empowerment-based pedagogy, and safeguarding practices in alignment with GGI Program Standards.
- 3.2.3. Technical Integrity:** Ensure that all Judo-specific instruction remains under the technical authority and recognition of the NJF.

**3.3. GGJ Demonstrations:** GGJ Demonstrations are live showcases held during major NJF competitions, championships, or national Judo events. These demonstrations highlight the mission and social impact of GGJ within the broader Judo community.



These demonstrations aim to:

- 3.3.1. Mission Visibility:** Visually communicate GGJ's mission and positive impact.
  - 3.3.2. Community Engagement:** Engage athletes, coaches, federation leaders, and stakeholders in supporting gender equality initiatives.
  - 3.3.3. Institutional Support:** Inspire NJFs, clubs, and potential partners to support or implement the GGJ project nationally.
- 3.4. GGJ Receptions:** GGJ Receptions are strategic engagement events hosted in partnership with NJFs and GGNCs at embassies, government venues, sports institutions, or other appropriate settings.

These receptions aim to:

- 3.4.1. Program Promotion:** Introduce and promote the GGJ mission and activities to key stakeholders.
  - 3.4.2. Partnership Development:** Build partnerships with governments, NGOs, sponsors, educational institutions, and community leaders.
  - 3.4.3. Public and Institutional Awareness:** Raise awareness among sports, diplomatic, and donor communities about Judo as a tool for advancing gender equality.
- 3.5. GGJ Academy:** The GGJ Academy is a structured, longer-term training program conducted in person or online, ranging from three months to multi-year cycles.

Academies may be implemented in partnership with:

- Judo clubs
- Schools and universities
- Civil society organizations
- Government institutions

These programs aim to:

- 3.5.1. Educational Integration:** Integrate GGJ principles into formal or semi-formal sports and educational systems.
- 3.5.2. Leadership Pathways:** Deepen technical skills, leadership capacity, and long-term empowerment pathways for women and girls in Judo.



## ARTICLE IV

### IMPLEMENTING ORGANIZATIONS

The GGJ project is implemented at the national and local levels through collaboration between GGI, recognized NJFs, and GGNCs.

GGI remains the global owner of the Guardian Girls brand and framework. The NJF serves as the national technical authority for Judo within its jurisdiction. Organizations that meet the requirements of these GGJ Guidelines may be granted Authorized Implementing Organization status.

**4.1. National-Level Implementing Organizations (ANIOs):** A recognized National Judo Federation may be designated as an **Authorized National Implementing Organization (“ANIO”)** for GGJ in its country.

To receive ANIO status, the following conditions must be met:

**4.1.1. National Partnership Agreement:** The NJF must enter into a formal GGJ National Partnership and Licensing Agreement or Memorandum of Understanding with GGI (“GGI–NJF Agreement”). This agreement defines roles, brand usage, safeguarding obligations, and implementation standards.

**4.1.2. Formal Registration:** Following execution of the agreement, the NJF must complete formal registration with GGI through the designated platform to ensure official recognition and compliance tracking.

**4.1.3. Exclusive National Authorization:** Upon approval, the NJF is granted authorization to plan and implement GGJ activities within its national jurisdiction using Certified GGJ Instructors.

**4.1.4. Compliance Responsibility:** The NJF assumes responsibility for ensuring that all GGJ activities conducted within its jurisdiction comply with:

- These GGJ Guidelines;
- GGI Program Standards; and
- The NJF’s own statutes and applicable national sports regulations.

**4.2. Local-Level Implementing Organizations (ALIOs):** Local organizations may support or conduct GGJ activities under the supervision of the approved NJF and in coordination with the GGNC.

These organizations may be designated as **Authorized Local Implementing Organizations (“ALIOs”)**, provided they operate in full compliance with these Guidelines.

Eligible entities may include:

**4.2.1. Judo Clubs:** Recognized Judo clubs affiliated with the NJF.

**4.2.2. Judo Academies or Training Centers:** Approved training institutions operating under NJF authority.



- 4.2.3. Women’s Organizations:** Nonprofit or community-based women’s groups collaborating on empowerment programming.
- 4.2.4. NGOs and Community Groups:** Organizations supporting outreach, education, and safeguarding initiatives aligned with GGJ objectives. All ALIOs operate under the oversight of the NJF and in alignment with GGI Program Standards.
- 4.3. Designation Authority:** ANIO and ALIO status is granted under the authority of the GGI–NJF Agreement. GGI retains global brand ownership and oversight authority. The NJF retains national technical authority for Judo-related matters.
- 4.4. Rights and Oversight of GGI:** To ensure integrity, safeguarding, and global consistency of the GGJ project, GGI maintains the right to:
- 4.4.1. Monitoring:** Monitor GGJ implementation activities at national and local levels.
  - 4.4.2. Documentation and Audit:** Request documentation related to project delivery, safeguarding compliance, reporting, and impact.
  - 4.4.3. Strategic Expansion:** Consult with NJFs regarding the initiation or expansion of GGJ activities in strategically relevant countries or regions.
  - 4.4.4. Revocation of Authorization:** Suspend or revoke authorization if an ANIO or ALIO is found to be in violation of GGI Program Standards or these Guidelines.
  - 4.4.5. Conflict Resolution:** Make final determinations regarding brand use, scheduling, or coordination in cases of overlap or conflict with other Guardian Girls programs in the same country.
- 4.5. Gender Equality Structures and National Project Identity:** To strengthen institutional commitment and ensure visibility of the GGJ project:
- 4.5.1. Gender Equality Oversight:** Each approved NJF (ANIO) shall establish a Gender Equality Committee or appoint a designated GGJ Gender Representative to oversee:
    - Female instructor development;
    - Safeguarding compliance;
    - Gender-related policy alignment;
    - Coordination with the GGNC President and GGI.
  - 4.5.2. National Project Naming:** Each approved ANIO shall implement the program under the standardized name format:
    - **Guardian Girls Judo [Country Name]**  
(e.g., Guardian Girls Judo Colombia, Guardian Girls Judo Japan)



**4.5.3. National Web Presence:** Each ANIO is encouraged to create a dedicated GGJ page on its official website highlighting:

- Activities and seminars;
- Certified instructors;
- Partnerships;
- Impact stories.

## ARTICLE V PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

To ensure consistent, high-quality, and mission-aligned implementation of the GGJ project across participating countries, the following requirements must be observed by all authorized organizing entities.

### 5.1. Eligibility:

- 5.1.1. Authorized Implementation:** All GGJ activities must be implemented in coordination with a recognized National Judo Federation (“NJF”) that has entered into a formal GGJ National Partnership and Licensing Agreement with GGI and completed required registration with GGI.;
- 5.1.2. Mission Alignment:** All activities must align with the missions and values of GGI and comply with these GGJ Guidelines, GGI Program Standards, and applicable NJF statutes.
- 5.1.3. Equal Participation:** All seminar participants must be female and treated with equal dignity and respect, regardless of background, race, ethnicity, religion, nationality, ability, or identity.
- 5.1.4. Female-Led Model:** All GGJ training seminars must be led by Certified GGJ Instructors who are female, in accordance with GGI’s empowerment and leadership model. In exceptional circumstances — where no Certified GGJ Instructor is available — an NJF-recognized female black belt may lead a seminar, subject to prior written approval from GGI.

### 5.2. Instructor Requirements:

All GGJ instructors must meet the following standards:

- 5.2.1. Minimum Rank:** Hold a minimum Judo rank recognized by the NJF (recommended minimum: 1st Dan or equivalent national certification standard).
- 5.2.2. Certification:** Successfully complete an official GGJ Instructor Certification Course organized or approved by the NJF in coordination with GGI.
- 5.2.3. Age Requirement:** Lead instructors must be female and at least 18 years old, or have reached the legal age of adulthood in their country.
- 5.2.4. Assistant Support:** Male assistants may support seminars if approved by the NJF. They must complete safeguarding orientation and may serve only in non-lead roles under the direction of the certified female instructor.

### 5.3. Uniform and Appearance:



- 5.3.1. Instructor Attire:** Certified GGJ Instructors must wear NJF-approved GGJ-branded attire during seminars, unless otherwise instructed for specific events.
  - 5.3.2. Logo Display:** Instructor attire must display the GGJ logo along with the logos of GGI and the NJF.
  - 5.3.3. Participant Identification:** Participants may wear standard Judo uniforms (Judogi) or approved GGJ-branded shirts, as determined by the NJF, to clearly distinguish instructors from participants.
  - 5.3.4. Sponsor Visibility:** Sponsor logos may be displayed only with prior approval from both the NJF and GGI.
- 5.4. Participant Requirements:**
- 5.4.1. Gender Requirement:** All participants in GGJ seminars must be female.
  - 5.4.2. Age Guidelines:** Age eligibility shall be determined by the NJF in accordance with national laws and safeguarding standards.
  - 5.4.3. Safety Information:** Participants must provide basic information, including name, age, and emergency contact details, prior to participation.
- 5.5. Liability and Risk Management:**
- 5.5.1. Liability Waivers:** All instructors and participants must sign an official Liability Waiver issued by the NJF or ANIO prior to participation.
  - 5.5.2. Responsibility:** GGI, KIF, and KIF Chapters shall not bear legal liability for injuries, accidents, or claims arising from GGJ activities conducted by NJFs or affiliated local organizations.
- 5.6. Branding and Identity:**
- 5.6.1. Brand Compliance:** All use of the GGJ name and logo must comply strictly with these Guidelines and GGI brand standards.
  - 5.6.2. Certification Documents:** Certificates or diplomas issued under GGJ must include authorized signatures from both the NJF and GGI (where required).
- 5.7. Safeguarding Standards:**
- All instructors, staff, and volunteers must:
- 5.7.1. Background Screening:** Complete a background check appropriate to national regulations;
  - 5.7.2. Safeguarding Training:** Complete safeguarding orientation aligned with GGI Program Standards.;
  - 5.7.3. Code of Conduct:** Sign and adhere to the GGJ Code of Conduct prior to participation in any activity.



## 5.8. Media and Documentation:

**5.8.1. Photography and Recording:** Authorized NJFs and local organizers may photograph and record GGJ activities for documentation, reporting, and approved promotional use.

**5.8.2. Media Consent:** Participants who do not wish to appear in photos or videos must notify organizers in advance.

## 5.9. Reporting Obligations:

**5.9.1. Post-Event Reporting:** Following each GGJ event, the hosting NJF must submit a Post-Event Report to GGI through the designated reporting channel.

**5.9.2. Annual Summary:** Participating NJFs are encouraged to submit an annual summary report outlining activities, impact, and lessons learned.

## 5.10. Registration:

**5.10.1. Official Registration:** All NJFs authorized to implement GGJ must complete formal registration with GGI;

**5.10.2. Recognition Status:** Completion of registration confirms official recognition as an Authorized National Implementing Organization (ANIO).

**5.10.3. Access to Resources:** Registration provides access to official GGJ branding materials, certification tools, reporting templates, and ongoing coordination support from GGI.

# ARTICLE VI RECOGNITION AND CERTIFICATION

Recognition and certification are essential to ensuring quality, accountability, and motivation within the GGJ project. In accordance with these GGJ Guidelines, both instructors and participants may receive formal acknowledgment of their engagement and achievement.

## 6.1. Certified GGJ Instructors:

Certified GGJ Instructors are officially recognized by both GGI and the NJF as qualified female leaders authorized to deliver GGJ seminars and related activities.

Certification is granted upon:

- Successful completion of an approved GGJ Instructor Certification Course; and
- Formal endorsement by the NJF in coordination with GGI.

Certified GGJ Instructors shall receive the following:

**6.1.1. Official Certification:** An official GGJ Instructor Certificate co-signed or jointly authorized by the NJF and GGI.;



- 6.1.2. Professional Designation:** Authorization to use the title “Certified GGJ Instructor” in approved professional and program-related contexts.;
  - 6.1.3. Public Recognition:** Recognition through official listings, communications, and events organized by GGI and participating NJFs;
  - 6.1.4. Continuing Development Opportunities:** Opportunities to participate in advanced trainings, instructor exchanges, forums, and other GGJ-related leadership activities at national or international levels.;
  - 6.1.5. Certification Validity:** Certification shall be valid for a defined period (typically two to three years), after which renewal or refresher training may be required to maintain active status.
- 6.2. Recognition for Participants:**  
Women and girls who complete GGJ seminars, academies, or structured programs may receive formal recognition of participation, as determined by the NJF and GGI.
- 6.2.1. Certificate of Participation:** Participants may receive a Certificate of Participation issued by the authorized NJF (ANIO), with recognition of GGI where appropriate;
  - 6.2.2. Empowerment Acknowledgment:** The certificate acknowledges the participant’s engagement in GGJ activities and reinforces the value of empowerment, leadership, and personal development through Judo;
  - 6.2.3. Portfolio Use:** Participants may use such recognition as part of broader educational, leadership, or skills development portfolios;
- 6.3. Additional Forms of Recognition:**  
Where appropriate, GGI and the NJF may also provide additional forms of recognition, including:
- 6.3.1. Digital Recognition:** Digital badges or verified recognition tokens for program completion;
  - 6.3.2. Spotlight Recognition:** Feature stories or public acknowledgment of standout participants or instructors through official newsletters, websites, or events.;
  - 6.3.3. Goodwill or Youth Ambassador Roles:** Designation of exceptional participants as local GGJ Ambassadors or youth leaders, subject to defined criteria and ongoing engagement with the program.

## ARTICLE VII

### LEGAL AND BRAND PROTECTION

The GGJ project is a licensed and trademark-protected initiative owned exclusively by GGI. All intellectual property (IP) associated with GGJ — including its name, logo, visual identity, program materials, and related branding elements — is protected under applicable international intellectual property laws.

#### **7.1. Ownership and Licensing:**

- 7.1.1. Brand Ownership:** GGI retains full and exclusive ownership of the GGJ name, logo, and all related brand assets. Under the terms of the GGI–NJF Agreement, an approved NJF is granted



a limited, non-transferable, and non-sublicensable license to use the GGJ brand solely for authorized program activities within its jurisdiction.

**7.1.2. Trademark Registration Restrictions:** The NJF, including its affiliated ANIOs and ALIOs, may not register or attempt to register the GGJ or GGI names, trademarks, or related brand assets at the international, regional, or national level. Similarly, GGI shall not register or claim ownership of the NJF's name, logo, or proprietary trademarks.

**7.2. Usage Restrictions:**

All NJFs, ANIOs, ALIOs, and Certified GGJ Instructors must:

**7.2.1. Compliance:** Use the GGJ brand strictly in accordance with these Guidelines and applicable agreements.;

**7.2.2. No Unauthorized Modification:** Refrain from altering, reproducing, or modifying GGJ logos, materials, or branding elements without prior written approval from GGI;

**7.2.3. No Unauthorized Commercialization:** Not sublicense, sell, commercially exploit, or use GGJ intellectual property for fundraising, merchandising, or revenue-generating purposes without prior written consent from GGI.

**7.3. Quality Assurance and Oversight:**

To protect the integrity and global consistency of the Guardian Girls brand, GGI reserves the right to monitor how GGJ is represented across all communications, events, materials, and digital platforms:

GGI may request modification, correction, or removal of any use of the GGJ brand that:

**7.3.1. Mission Integrity:** Compromises the mission, values, or public image of GGJ;

**7.3.2. Quality Standards:** Fails to meet agreed quality, safeguarding, or branding standards;

**7.3.3. Unauthorized Contexts:** Appears in inappropriate commercial, political, discriminatory, or reputationally harmful contexts.

**7.4. Enforcement:**

If an NJF, ANIO, ALIO, or Certified GGJ Instructor is found to be in violation of these terms, GGI may:

- Issue a written notice requiring corrective action;
- Suspend authorization for specific activities; or
- Revoke the license to use the GGJ brand, in whole or in part.

Enforcement actions shall be proportionate and taken to protect the integrity, safety, and global reputation of the Guardian Girls Judo project.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **COMMUNICATION AND PROMOTION**



Clear, coordinated, and responsible communication is essential to protect the integrity, visibility, and credibility of the GGJ project. All communications must reflect the collaborative partnership between GGI and the NJF, while maintaining consistency with the mission and brand standards of GGJ.

## **8.1. Communication Approval:**

**8.1.1. External Communications:** Major external communications — including national press releases, formal public announcements, international media interviews, and high-profile promotional campaigns — shall be coordinated between the NJF and GGI prior to publication.

Routine local communications (e.g., event announcements, seminar invitations, recap posts) may be issued by the NJF or ANIO in accordance with these Guidelines, provided they remain compliant with brand and safeguarding standards.

### **8.1.2. Right to Request Modifications:**

GGI reserves the right to request reasonable modifications to communications that:

- Misrepresent the GGJ project;
- Create confusion regarding governance or international endorsement;
- Conflict with brand standards or safeguarding principles;
- Risk reputational harm to the Guardian Girls initiative.

This ensures unified messaging and appropriate representation across all platforms.

## **8.2. Co-Branding Standards:**

All official GGJ communication materials must:

**8.2.1. Clear Project Identification:** Clearly identify the program as “Guardian Girls Judo.”;

**8.2.2. Logo Display:** Display the logos of both GGI and the NJF in a balanced and respectful manner, consistent with approved brand guidelines;

**8.2.3. Mission Alignment:** Include messaging that aligns with the mission of advancing gender equality and empowering women and girls through Judo.

## **8.3. Tone and Content Standards:**

All communication content must be:

**8.3.1. Empowering and Respectful:** Empowering, respectful, and inclusive in its portrayal of women and girls.

**8.3.2. Culturally Appropriate:** Sensitive to local cultural contexts while remaining consistent with GGI safeguarding principles.

**8.3.3. Legally and Structurally Accurate:** Accurate in describing the relationship between GGJ, GGI, and the NJF, without implying endorsement from external international governing bodies unless formally granted.

## **8.4. Promotional Activities:**



GGJ communication efforts may include:

- 8.4.1. Storytelling and Testimonials:** Feature stories, testimonials, and participant or instructor spotlights.
- 8.4.2. Digital and Media Campaigns:** Video campaigns, demonstrations, and digital storytelling initiatives.
- 8.4.3. Official Platform Promotion:** Promotion through official NJF and GGI platforms, including websites, newsletters, and social media channels.

**8.5. Web Presence:**

- 8.5.1. Dedicated GGJ Pages:** Approved NJFs are encouraged to maintain a dedicated GGJ page on their official website to highlight:
  - Program activities;
  - Certified instructors;
  - Partnerships;
  - Impact results.

GGI shall maintain a global GGJ overview page within its official website.

## **ARTICLE IX** **FINANCIAL INTEGRITY**

Financial transparency, accountability, and responsible management are essential to maintaining the integrity, credibility, and long-term sustainability of the GGJ project.

**9.1. Financial Compliance:**

- 9.1.1.** All funds allocated, raised, or managed in connection with GGJ activities — whether by a NJF, ANIO, or ALIO — must comply with:
  - These GGJ Guidelines;
  - GGI Program Standards; and
  - Applicable NJF statutes and national laws.

All financial activities must be lawful, transparent, and properly documented.

**9.2. Documentation Requirements:**

NJF, ANIOs, and ALIOs must maintain accurate and organized financial records related to GGJ activities, including:

- 9.2.1. Budget Records:** Planned and actual budgets for GGJ events and programs.
- 9.2.2. Financial Documentation:** Receipts, invoices, and proof of payments.



**9.2.3. Sponsorship Agreements:** Written agreements with donors or sponsors, where applicable. Such documentation must be made available to GGI upon reasonable request or as part of agreed reporting procedures.

**9.3. Fundraising and Sponsorship:**

NJF and ANIOs may conduct fundraising activities or seek sponsorships to support GGJ implementation, subject to the following conditions:

**9.3.1. Mission Alignment:** All fundraising and sponsorship activities must align with the values and objectives of GGJ;

**9.3.2. Brand Approval:** Use of the GGJ name, logo, or brand assets for fundraising purposes requires prior written approval from GGI;

**9.3.3. Sponsor Disclosure:** Sponsors must be disclosed to GGI if their logos or affiliations will appear on GGJ materials or communications.;

**9.3.4. Financial Oversight:** Financial transactions related to GGJ within a country must comply with the NJF's internal financial controls and approval procedures. Where concerns arise, the NJF may suspend related financial activities pending review.

**9.4. Revenue Sharing and Licensing:**

If revenue is generated through commercial and non-commercial use of the GGJ brand — including large-scale fundraising, merchandise, or paid programs — a separate written agreement may define applicable licensing terms or revenue-sharing arrangements between GGI and the NJF.

**9.5. Travel and Representation Support:**

Subject to budget availability and program relevance, an NJF or ANIO may provide reasonable travel and accommodation support for a designated GGI representative to attend or participate in major GGJ-related activities, where mutually agreed.

**9.6. Misuse of Funds:**

**9.6.1. Audit Rights:** GGI reserves the right to request financial clarification or supporting documentation where concerns arise regarding the use of GGJ-related funds.

**9.6.2. Corrective Measures:** If evidence of financial mismanagement, misuse of funds, or lack of transparency is identified, GGI may:

- Request corrective action;
- Require an independent review or audit;
- Suspend GGJ authorization; or
- Terminate the applicable agreement in serious cases.

Such actions shall be taken to protect the integrity and reputation of the GGJ project.