

THE STATUTE OF THE EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS

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1) GENERAL REGULATIONS

Article 1

(1) This Statute shall regulate the name, address and the area of activity in which the European Society of Safety Engineers (hereinafter the Society) operates, representing of the Society, the appearance of the stamp of the Society, the Society's objectives, activities for achieving objectives, the method of providing the public performance of the Society, conditions for the membership and termination of membership, rights, obligations and responsibilities and disciplinary accountability of members of the Society and the manner of keeping a list of members, the Society's bodies, their composition and the manner of convening meetings, selection, recall, powers, decision-making and term and manner of convening the Assembly, in case of expiry term of office, election and recall of the liquidator of the Society, termination of the Society, the Society's character, his appearance, property, method of acquisition and disposal of assets of the Society, a way of settling disputes and conflicts of interest within the Society, the procedure with the assets in the event of termination of the Society and other matters of importance for the Society.

1.1) The characteristics of the Society

Article 2

(1) European Society of Safety Engineers (below as the Society) is an international, non-governmental, non-profit, professional, scientific and independent association.

1.2) The aim of the Society

Article 3

(1) The Society at the European international level gathers the safety engineers (in the broadest sense of the profession and the science of safety and protection).

(2) The Society was founded due to represent, promote and international cooperation of safety engineers with the aim of contributing to the development of the profession and the science of safety in the areas of occupational safety, fire protection, environmental protection, civil protection and other areas of safety or related fields (energy efficiency, renewable energy sources) in order to contribute to sustainable development.

1.3) The name of the Society

Article 4

(1) The full name of the Society: The European Society of Safety Engineers.

(2) The abbreviated name of the Society: ESSE.

(3) The Society in international cooperation uses the name in English and may use the name of the national language of its members.

1.4) The headquarters of the Society

Article 5

(1) The headquarters of the Society is in Čakovec in Croatia. The Assembly will bring decision on the change of headquarters address.

1.5) The area of operation of the Society

Article 6

(1) The Society operates in the Republic of Croatia (and in an international environment).

1.6) Representation of the Society

Article 7

(1) The Society in legal affairs with third parties will be represented by the President of the Society.

1.7) The Sign of the Society

Article 8

- (1) The Society has the sign.
- (2) The sign of the Society is square with blue background and white text "EUROPEAN SAFETY ENGINEER".

1.8) The stamp of the Society

Article 9

- (1) The Society has the stamp.
- (2) The stamp is of rectangular shape, 47x18mm dimension, where the sign of the Society is on the left side and on the right side the text of the name of the Society in Croatian and English.

2) THE OBJECTIVES AND THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SOCIETY

2.1) The objectives of the Society

Article 10

- (1) International cooperation of safety engineers in all areas of safety and related areas, as specified in Article 3 above.
- (2) International promotion of safety engineers.
- (3) International development of safety professional at a technical, control and organizational level.
- (4) International development of safety science that includes environmental, economic and socio - cultural sustainability.
- (5) International harmonization of safety regulations and safety standards.
- (6) International harmonization and development of education of safety engineers with a focus on interdisciplinary approach to occupational safety, fire protection and sustainable management of the environment.
- (7) International development of safety entrepreneurship.
- (8) Raising public awareness of safety issues, environmental protection, fire protection and the importance of the active contribution of all stakeholders to raise the quality of life.

2.2) The activities of the Society

Article 11

- (1) Organizing of international meetings of safety engineers.
- (2) Organizing of international professional and scientific conferences of safety.
- (3) Publishing of international publications on safety issues (websites, journals, books, etc.).
- (4) Organization of international training and international certification of safety engineers.
- (5) Initiation and implementation of international research and development safety projects.
- (6) Cooperation with other international organizations.
- (7) Lobbying for the Society for the social partners and relevant agencies.

3) THE PUBLIC OF THE SOCIETY

Article 12

- (1) The work of the Society is open to the public.
- (2) The Society has a public website.
- (3) The members of the Society and the public are being informed by the occasional revelations through public media, electronic mail and website of the Society; the public exercise of the goals set out in this Statute and timely informing of the members of the Society and significant events and written reports, verbally in meetings, through the media or at other appropriate manner.
- (4) The public may be excluded from the meeting and the meeting of the body of the Society for the protection of personal data of members of the Society or the protection of commercial secrets of the Society.

4) THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY

4.1) The membership of the Society

Article 13

- (1) The membership in the Society is voluntarily.
- (2) Society can be accessed by filling out an online application form and paying the membership fee for the current year.

(3) The membership in the Society is confirmed by enrolling in a public on-line register of the members of the Society.

(4) The register of members will be kept by the secretary of the Society. Register of members shall be kept electronically and must contain information on personal name (name) member identification number, the date of birth, date of accession to the union membership category, and date of termination of membership in the association.

The list of members is always available for review to all members and to the competent authorities at their request.

4.2) Types of the members

Article 14

(1) The individual member (person).

(2) The collective member (organization).

4.3) The membership fee

Article 15

(1) The amount of the membership fee determines the Assembly of Society with a special resolution.

4.4) The membership card

Article 16

(1) The Member of Society receives the membership card.

(2) Design of the membership card determines the Management committee of the Society with a special resolution.

4.5) The termination of membership in the Society

Article 17

(1) Personal output of the member from membership in the Society.

(2) Death of the member of Society.

(3) Non-payment of the membership fee.

(4) Exclusion from the Association

A member shall be removed from the Register of Members without a special decision by the end of the year if not paid dues for the current year.

Members of the Society are disciplinary liable for violation of its membership duty as set in Statute or other laws. Disciplinary proceedings will be conducted by Society Management.

In disciplinary proceedings may be imposed the following disciplinary sanctions:

1) Reminder

2) Exclusion from the Association

The decision to exclude a member from the Society will be made by the management of the Society. The expelled member has the right within 15 days from the day the decision was brought, to appeal to the Assembly.

The Assembly shall resolve the complaint within 30 days from the day of delivery. The decision of the Assembly is final.

4.6) Professional conditions for membership

Article 18

(1) The individual member (person) must have completed undergraduate and/or postgraduate study of safety (professional or university studies) in the field of occupational safety, fire protection, environmental protection, civil protection, or other areas of safety or related fields.

(2) The collective member (organization) may be associations, trade association that brings together engineers, safety or institution that educates safety engineers.

4.7) Rights of the member of the Society

Article 19

(1) Participation in the work and decisions of all bodies of the Society as determined by the Statute and other decisions of the Society.

(2) Participation in all activities of the Society.

(3) To elect and to be elected in all bodies of the Society.

(4) Other rights as determined by the Assembly of the Society or the Management committee of the Society.

4.8) Obligations of the member of the Society

Article 20

- (1) Participation in the work and decisions of all bodies of the Society as determined by the Statute and other decisions of the Society.
- (2) Compliance with the Statute and other regulations of the Society.
- (3) Payment of membership fees.

5) THE BODIES OF THE SOCIETY

Article 21

- (1) The bodies of the Society are:
 - 1) The Assembly.
 - 2) The Management.
 - 3) The Supervisory Committee.

5.1) The Assembly

Article 22

- (1) The Assembly is the supreme body of the Society.
- (2) The Assembly consists of all members of the Society.
- (3) An individual member has the right to one vote at the Assembly.
- (4) A collective member has the right to three votes at the Assembly (three authorized person of the organization).
- (5) Voting at the Assembly is public.
- (6) Decisions of the Assembly shall be taken by a majority vote present members of the Assembly.
- (7) Presence of the Assembly member can accomplish by remote (teleconferencing or written declarations) with a special announcement.
- (8) The Regular Assembly, convened by the Management of the Society shall be held annually.
- (9) Election Assembly, which convenes Management Company, shall be held every 5 years.
- (10) The Extraordinary Assembly of the Society may convene the Management of the Society or at least half of the members of the Society.
- (10) The Assembly is chaired by the President of the Assembly to be elected at each the Assembly.
- (12) Assembly shall work according to the agenda adopted at the Assembly.

Article 23

Tasks and powers of the Regular Assembly of the Society:

- (1) Choosing and discharging the Management of the Society.
- (2) Choosing and discharging the Supervisory Committee of the Society.
- (3) Adoption of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly.
- (4) Adopting and changing the Statute of Society.
- (5) Adoption of the work plan and financial plan for the next calendar year and report on the work of the previous calendar year, and adopt the annual financial report.
- (6) Adoption of annual and others reports of the Management of Society.
- (7) Adoption of annual and others plans of the Management of Society.
- (8) Adoption of reports of The Supervisory Committee of the Society.
- (9) Adoption of other acts and decisions.

Article 24

In the case of expiry of the mandate of the Society bodies, the Assembly will be convened by the person who was last registered in association as an authorized representative, or one third of the members of the Society who are enrolled in the list of members before the expiry of the mandate of the Society bodies.

5.2) Management

Article 25

- (1) The Management is the collegial executive body which manages the operations of the Society.
- (2) The Management has 5 members: the President of the Society and 4 vice-presidents of the Society.
- (3) The Management meets as necessary and at least twice a year.
- (4) The Management convenes and his meeting chaired by the President or in his absence by his authorized vice-president.
- (5) Management makes valid decisions if at its meeting are attended at least 3 members.

- (6) Meetings of the Management may be held remote (teleconferencing or written declarations) with a special announcement.
- (7) Decisions of the Management shall be taken by a majority vote present members of the Management.
- (8) The mandate of the Management is 5 years, with the possibility of re-election.

Article 26

Tasks and powers of the Management:

- (1) Convening and preparing the Assembly.
- (2) Preparation of draft regulations and decisions for the Assembly.
- (3) Implementation of adopted acts and decisions of the Assembly.
- (4) Preparation of reports and draft plans for the Assembly.
- (5) Elaboration and implementation of adopted annual and other plans.
- (6) Adoption and implementation of operational decisions and programs.

5.3) The President

Article 27

- (1) The President of the Society shall be elected the Assembly of Society from amongst its members.
- (2) He is general authorized and responsible person of the Society.
- (3) He represented and presented the Society.
- (4) He convened and chaired meetings of the Management.
- (5) He oversees of implementation of all decisions of the Management and the Assembly.
- (6) He performs other tasks as assigned by the Management or by the Assembly.

5.4) The Vice-Presidents

Article 28

- (1) The Vice-Presidents of the Society shall be elected the Assembly of Society from amongst its members.
- (2) They are authorized and responsible persons of the Society.
- (3) If the President is absent by him authorized Vice-President replaces the President with all responsibilities and authorities.
- (4) They perform other tasks as assigned by the President or the Management or the Assembly.

5.5) The Secretary

Article 29

- (1) The Secretary is elected by the Management at the Management meeting.
- (2) The Secretary writes the minutes of meetings of the Assembly and the Management.
- (3) The Secretary performs all administrative tasks and correspondence.
- (4) The Secretary updates the online register of the members and sends the membership cards.
- (5) The Secretary administers financial operations.
- (6) The Secretary keeps the archive of the Society.
- (7) The Secretary performs other tasks as assigned by the President or the Management.
- (8) The secretary is responsible for his work to the Management.

5.6) The treasurer

Article 30

- (1) Treasurer shall be elected by the Society's management at the meeting Management.
- (2) The treasurer supervises the funds collected from the membership fees or from other sources, and is required to submit financial reports and Management of Assembly.
- (3) Treasurer takes cash and records of receipts and expenditures, controls the payment of membership fees and other receivables, takes care of settling liabilities of the Society and informs the president and secretary of changes.
- (4) Treasurer performs other duties as assigned by the management.
- (5) The treasurer reports to the Management.

5.6) The Supervisory Committee

Article 31

- (1) The Supervisory Committee supervises work of the Society per the requirements of the regulations and the Statute of Society and other acts.
- (2) The Supervisory Committee shall be provided access to all documents of the Society.
- (3) The Supervisory Committee has the President of the Supervisory Committee and two vice-presidents of the Supervisory Committee.
- (4) The Supervisory Committee works on the meetings convened by the President of the Supervisory Committee and decisions are made by majority vote.
- (5) Meetings of the Supervisory Committee may be held remote (teleconferencing or written declarations) with a special announcement.
- (6) The Supervisory Committee submitted the reports to the Assembly of the Society.
- (7) The mandate of the members of the Supervisory Committee is 5 years, with the possibility of re-election.

6) INTERNAL ORGANIZATION OF THE SOCIETY

Article 32

- (1) The Management of the Society may for operational implementation of certain activities (conferences, publishing, projects, etc.) to appoint special committees, commissions, teams and responsible persons.
- (2) The Management of the Society may for coordination in the States to appoint the coordinator for the State.
- (3) In the States can establish the subsidiaries of the Society with the status of a legal person. These subsidiaries should be established and registered by relevant regulations of the State where they founded. Thus established subsidiaries must become the collective members of the Society.

Article 33

Options of acquiring the property:

- (1) The membership fees.
- (2) Voluntary donations and sponsorship.
- (3) Subsidies from government, international and other organizations.
- (4) Revenues from permitted activities.

Article 34

- (1) The property of the Society is real estate, movable property and rights which the Society acquired in accordance with regulations and the Statute.
- (2) The Management of the Society manages the property of the Society with the best possible way to achieve the objectives of the Society.
- (3) The Management of the Society conducts financial operations of the Society in accordance with the regulations on the operations of non-profit organizations in accordance with the Decision on financial operations of the Society adopted by the Assembly of Society.
- (4) The Society must be used achieved revenues solely for the performance and improvement of activities of the Society which achieve the objectives laid down by the Statute.

8) TERMINATION OF THE SOCIETY

Article 35

Reasons for termination of the Society:

- (1) Decision of the Assembly of the Society.
- (2) Prohibition or decision of the authorized State body for termination of the Society.
- (3) In twice as long as the time scheduled for the regular session of the Assembly and it was not held.
- (4) Initiation of bankruptcy proceedings.
- (5) At the request of a member, if the number of members of the Society fell below the number of founders needed for the establishment of a society, and the competent authority of the Society within one year of the occurrence of the facts has not decided on the admission of new members.
- (6) Other cases specified by law.
- (7) In the event of termination of the Society all property belongs to the Red Cross.

Article 36

- (1) The liquidator represents the company in liquidation proceedings and the opening of the liquidation procedure is entered in the register of associations as the authorized representative of the Company until final completion of liquidation proceedings and deletion of the Company from the register of associations. (2) The liquidator may not be a member of the Company.
- (2) Liquidators elected by the Assembly.

Article 37

- (1) If the Society has received funding from public sources within the meaning of Article 32 of the Law on Associations (Official Gazette 74/14), in the case of the cessation of existence, the remaining funds will return to the budget from which the financial resources allocated.
- (2) If in the event of termination of the Society for any reason cannot carry out the procedure with the assets of the Society, remaining assets will be allocated to the local governments where is headquarters of the Society.

9) SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Article 38

- (1) The dispute / conflict of interest in Society refers to the rights and interests of members of the Society of which members are free to discuss, and that affects the operation of the Society in general, or if it relates to issues of common interest to the members.
- (2) To resolve the dispute / conflict of interest, the Assembly shall appoint an arbitration panel between the members of the Society. The composition, mandate, decision-making council regulates the ordinance passed by the Assembly. Arbitral Tribunal in its work properly applies the provisions of the Law on Mediation.
- (3) The decision of the arbitration panel is final. If the dispute / conflict of interest arises about issues on which the request for registration of changes in the Register of Associations, which is decided by the competent office, dissatisfied member addresses to the Company to resolve the dispute on conflict of interest.
- (4) After the final decision of the arbitration panel, Society submits to the competent office application for entry into registry book along with the decision of the arbitral tribunal.

10) TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 39

- (1) The Society may join alliances and collaborate on joint projects at the international, national and local level.
- (2) Decision on joining alliances adopts the Assembly of the Society on the proposal of the Management of the Society.
- (3) Decision on cooperation in joint projects brings the Management of the Society.

Article 40

- (1) Changes and amendments of the Statute shall be made by the Assembly of Society.
- (2) Interpretation of the provisions of the Statute gives the Assembly of the Society.
- (3) The Statute shall enter into force upon adoption by the Assembly of the Society.

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