

Pursuant to provisions of Article 10, 11 and 12 of the Law on Associations („Official Journal of the RS“ number 51/09), at the regular session held on 12 May 2010 in Belgrade, the following

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE INFORMATICS ASSOCIATION OF SERBIA

Were adopted.

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

The Informatics Association of Serbia (hereinafter: the Association) shall be a voluntary, non-governmental and non-profit, professional association of citizens, who join the Association in compliance with these Articles of Association, established for the purpose of achieving the goals in the field of information society development.

The Association was founded at the Founding Assembly held in Belgrade on 28 June 1973.

The Association shall be based on the free association of natural persons and legal entities for the purpose of achieving the goals in the field of information society development.

Article 2

The Association shall have the status of a legal entity.

The seat of the Association shall be in Belgrade, 9 Kneza Miloša Street.

The seal of the Association shall be round and shall contain the inscription “Informatics Association of Serbia“ along the circle and “Belgrade“ in the middle. The Association shall have its emblem. The shape of the emblem shall be determined in a separate decision by the Management Board of the Association.

Article 3

The abbreviated name of the Association shall be the IAS.

Article 4

The Assembly of the Association, or the Management Board upon the authorisation of the Assembly, shall decide on the Association's becoming a member of other civic or expert organisations, both national and international.

II. GOALS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 5

The Association shall have the following goals:

- to assemble and network the experts dealing with production, development, use and education in the field of information and communication technologies;
- to pursue and popularise the modern development of science, technical engineering and technology and their use in the field of information and communication technologies;
- to contribute, in cooperation with the republic authorities, local self-government, chambers of commerce and interested institutions, to consideration and passing of the necessary optimum measures in the development of the information society in Serbia;
- to closely observe the situation in the information society in Serbia and propose the measures necessary for the development of the information society;
- to present and popularise the state-of-the-art information and communication technologies and propose measures for their optimum use;
- to contribute to training and professional development of employees for the use of information and communication technologies.

Article 6

The activity of the Association shall be carried out in the following spheres:

- development of information society,
- design and introduction of information and communication systems,
- development of domestic hardware and software,
- training and professional development of employees,
- standardisation in the field of information and communication technologies,
- certification of natural persons and legal entities for carrying out the activities in the field of information and communication technologies.

Expert committees may be established for carrying out the tasks within this scope of the Association's activities.

Article 7

For the purpose of accomplishing its goals, the Association shall organise:

- expert meetings, symposia, conferences, seminars and courses,
- publishing of monographs, collections of papers, certain reports and professional papers, draft norms and standards,
- translation of professional articles and books,
- publishing of professional publications, informative bulletins and periodicals in the field of information and communication technologies,
- cooperation with other expert organisations, both national and international, for the purpose of exchange of knowledge and experience in this sphere,
- giving opinions, making remarks and suggestions regarding the curricula in schools and faculties,

- preparation of studies, analyses, surveys etc. on particular problematic issues concerning the information and communication technologies,
- giving expert opinions on prepared surveys, projects, draft documents etc., when it is required from the Association,
- organising the conferral of professional awards, plaquettes etc. for outstanding results achieved in the field of information and communication technologies.

III. MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION, THEIR RIGHTS AND DUTIES

Article 8

The Association shall comprise individual and collective members.

Individual members may be regular and honorary. Regular members of the Association shall be citizens engaged in the information and communication activity, who have signed the membership application, who observe the Articles of Association, pay their annual membership fee and are employed at the Association or any of its sections.

Honorary members of the Association shall be elected by the Assembly pursuant to the Rulebook on the Election of Honorary Members of the Association, for special merits in the information society development.

Collective members shall be legal entities which have joined the Association and which shall take part in the implementation of the Association's programme and pay their annual membership fees.

The decision on acceptance of membership into the Association shall be enacted by the Management Board of the Association.

Article 9

Members of the Association shall be entered into the Register of Members of the Association.

Regular individual and collective members shall pay their annual membership fee whose amount shall be determined by the Management Board of the Association.

The Register of Members shall contain the information about the member's name, surname, address, telephone number and e-mail address.

The information from the Register of Members of the Association shall be available to the public for those members who have agreed to the publicity of information.

Article 10

Members of the Association shall be obliged to adhere to the Articles of Association, commit to accomplishment of the goals and responsibilities of the Association, implement decisions, guidelines and recommendations of the Association bodies, undertake initiatives and make proposals for development of the information society in Serbia.

Article 11

Membership in the Association shall terminate:

- upon withdrawing from the Association of one's free will,
- upon removal from the Register due to failure to meet the obligations stipulated in the Articles of Association,
- upon termination of the Association's work,
- upon exclusion.

Termination of the membership on any grounds shall be discussed and decided on by the Management Board of the Association.

Removal from the Register of Regular Members shall be carried out for those members who fail to take effort to implement the goals and responsibilities of the Association or fail to pay their membership fee for the period exceeding one year.

Exclusion from the Association shall be a disciplinary measure applied to members who fail to adhere to the Articles of Association and other adopted rules of the Association or commit something contrary to the goals and responsibilities of the Association, detrimental to the reputation and interests of the Association.

Article 12

Members shall be entitled to lodge an appeal to the Assembly against the decision on exclusion or removal from the Register. Appeals shall have to be lodged to the Management Board in order to be included in the Assembly agenda.

Article 13

Regular members shall be entitled to take part in the work of all bodies of the Association, to elect and be elected.

Article 14

Members of the Association shall be entitled to inspect all business activities of the Association and may request reports and information thereof prior to regular meetings of the Association.

Article 15

Once a year, the Association shall confer rewards and awards to distinguished individuals and organisations that have achieved outstanding results in development and use of information and communication technologies.

IV. MANAGEMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 16

Members of the Association shall manage the Association directly in the Assembly of the Association or indirectly, through their elected representatives in the bodies of the Association.

Bodies of the Association shall be the following:

- the Assembly,
- the Management Board,
- the Supervisory Board.

Term of office of the elected bodies of the Association shall be four years.

Article 17

The Assembly shall be the highest body of the Association. Sessions of the Assembly may be regular or extraordinary.

A regular Assembly session shall be held every year.

A regular election Assembly session shall be held every four years.

An extraordinary Assembly session shall be convened upon request of at least ten members or at the proposal of the Management Board.

The Assembly session shall be convened by the Management Board, which shall also determine the place and time of the session, along with the agenda.

An invitation to attend the Assembly session, along with the agenda, shall be delivered to all members of the Association at least 15 days in advance.

Article 18

The Assembly of the Association shall:

- adopt the Articles of Association of this Association, as well as their amendments,
- adopt other general acts of the Association,
- adopt the Management Board's report on the activities of the Association,
- adopt the Supervisory Board's report,
- decide on the number of members of the Management Board of the Association, elect and discharge members of the Management Board of the Association,
- decide on the changes in the status of the Association,
- elect the Supervisory Board consisting of three members,
- enact decisions, guidelines and recommendations for further activities in implementation of the goals and responsibilities of the Association,
- elect the honorary members of the Association,
- consider and adopt the financial statement for the previous year.

The Assembly shall enact valid decisions when more than a half of the members present have cast their vote.

Article 19

The Assembly shall enact all decisions by simple majority vote, except the decision on amending the Articles of Association or termination of the Association's work, which shall require a two-third majority of the members present.

The Assembly shall make all decisions by public vote, unless otherwise decided on at the Assembly.

The Assembly decisions shall be obligatory for all members and bodies of the Association.

Enforcement of the Assembly decisions shall be the responsibility of the Management Board and all the members referred to in the decision.

Article 20

The Assembly work shall be managed by the working chairmanship comprising three to seven members, who shall be elected by the Assembly.

Article 21

The Management Board shall be the highest body of the Association between the two Assembly sessions.

The Management Board shall elect the president of the Association, two vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer for the four-year term of office.

The President of the Association shall convene and manage the work of the Management Board and shall represent the Association.

The President of the Association shall carry out the following tasks: see to enforcement of the Assembly and Management Board decisions, operationally manage the Association's work, represent and stand for the Association and organise other activities within the framework of the Association's goals and responsibilities.

The Secretary shall organise and be in charge of the administration of the Association. At the proposal of the Secretary, the Management Board may employ a special officer to carry out the administrative, technical and auxiliary activities.

Article 22

Responsibilities of the Management Board shall be as follows:

- to organise activities of the Association in compliance with laws and decisions of the Assembly and these Articles of Association,
- to organise cooperation with public and economic bodies, chambers and institutions and other legal entities,
- to enact rules of procedure or work rules of the Association, its sections, committees and commissions, along with rulebooks of publishing activity,
- to adopt the annual balance sheet and financial plan for the following year, determine the membership fee amount and amount of royalties and other remunerations,

- when necessary, to establish commissions and committees for the purpose of organising conferences or other expert meetings or initiating other activities in accordance with the law and these Articles of Association,
- to appoint a jury for conferral of rewards and awards,
- to report, on a regular basis, on its work to the Assembly.

The Management Board shall enact valid decisions when at least one half of the members are present and decisions are enacted by majority vote of the members present.

In cases of emergency, sessions of the Management Board may be held electronically. Members shall be provided with the session's agenda and the accompanying material via electronic mail. After that the members shall electronically state their position on each item of the agenda by providing their opinions and proposals.

Article 23

The Assembly or Management Board, as standing bodies, may form sections, commissions and committees, for the purpose of implementing the goals of the Association, which shall require enactment of a decision, definition of tasks and deadlines for their execution.

Branch offices of the Association shall be established on the territorial basis.

Sections shall be formed for each field of specialisation separately.

Article 24

The Supervisory Committee shall comprise the President and two members.

The Supervisory Committee shall account for its work to the Assembly, to which it shall submit the report.

Article 25

The Supervisory Committee shall be entitled to review the regularity of enforcement of legal regulations, provisions of these Articles of Association and other acts of the Association, accounts, business records, material assets etc. and notify the Assembly on the established situation.

The Supervisory Committee shall be obliged to warn the body and/or persons who have committed irregularity and to request the elimination of the irregularity or, otherwise, undertake measures in compliance with the law.

V. ASSETS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 26

The Association shall generate the financial resources required to carry out its activities and cover the material expenses in one of the following ways:

- from annual membership fee paid by all of its members,

- from earmarked funds received from state authorities,
- from voluntary contributions, donations and gifts,
- from financial subsidies from national and international programmes,
- from organising scientific and expert activities in the related field of work (organisation of expert meetings, conferences, seminars, preparation of draft versions, technical norms and standards, preparation of studies, surveys),
- from publishing the periodicals, bulletins and other publications,
- from translation and publishing activities,
- from charges for certification of natural persons and legal entities for the activity in the field of information and communication technologies,
- from business cooperation with other natural persons and legal entities,
- from the assistance provided by state and local authorities and institutions for the purpose of organising expert meetings and publishing collections of papers on a particular topic,
- from other sources in compliance with the law.

The assets of the Association may only be used to accomplish the goals and tasks established in the Articles of Association.

Article 27

Material and financial activities shall be carried out in compliance with legal regulations.

The person ordering the profit and expenditure execution shall be the President and persons authorised by the Management Board.

VI. PUBLICITY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S WORK

Article 28

The work of the Association shall be public.

The Association shall inform the public about its work on their web page and in the publications, bulletins, press and other media and by organising events, conferences, meetings and lectures.

VII. FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 29

The Associations' day shall be 7th April – *Blagovesti* (Annunciation)

Article 30

The Association shall terminate its work when decided so by the Assembly of the Association or by virtue of law.

In the event of termination of the Association's work, the President and Secretary of the Association shall be obliged to report thereon to the competent administrative authority within one month, in order for the Association to be removed from the Register of Associations and to undertake other measures in compliance with the law.

The assets of the Association, upon termination of its work, shall be transferred to the organisation which shall be established with the same purpose. In case there should not be any such organisation, the Assembly or Management Board shall decide on the further course of action.

Article 31

These Articles of Association shall enter into force on the day of their adoption.

PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION

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round seal affixed hereto