

# **Regulations for the Professional Systemics Management Institute (PSMi)**

## **ARTICLE 01**

### **(1) Establishment of the Professional Systemics Management Institute (PSMi)**

The name of this Institute shall be "**Professional Systemics Management Institute**", in short "**PSMi**" (hereinafter referred to as the "Institute" or PSMi). The Institute is a branch of the **Hellenic Society for Systemic Studies** (hereinafter referred to as the "HSSS" or the "Society"), as it is described in the Society's legal Charter. The address of the PSMi Head Office is: 196, Praxitelous Street, GR-185 35 Piraeus, Greece.

### **(2) Mission**

The Mission of the Institute shall be to provide dynamic leadership for the management profession, and the advancement of scientific studies and education in Professional Systemics and Systems Science, with application in all branches of academia, business, and government.

Activities in support of this mission will include, but will not be limited to:

- i. Providing comprehensive, professional, educational, and development opportunities, scientific publications and other Professional Systemics practice guidance, and certification programs;
- ii. Educating managers and other relevant professionals on tools, methods, methodologies, multi-methodologies, and best practices in Professional Systemics;
- iii. Researching, disseminating, and promoting to practitioners and stakeholders knowledge concerning Professional Systemics and their appropriate role in improving managerial decision making in complex organizations;
- iv. Collaborating with other organizations on matters pertinent to Professional Systemics and/or the mission of the Institute;
- v. Providing a multi-disciplinary forum for academics, Systems professionals, and practitioners from all countries, to examine technical, educational, scientific and professional issues of common interest;
- vi. Advancing the state-of-the-art and state-of-the-practice of the world-wide Systems community by facilitating effective and timely knowledge and technology transfer;
- vii. Advocating and promoting the value that Systems professionals add to their organizations, through the application of Professional Systemics;
- viii. Organizing professional meetings and conferences for the benefit of its members and the field;
- ix. Participating in research and educational projects and programs that will advance the status of the Institute's members;
- x. Promoting the objectives of the HSSS Society.

### **(3) Logo of the Institute**

The Logo of the Institute shall be:



## **ARTICLE 02**

### **(1) Legal status**

- i. The Institute shall enjoy the most extensive legal capacity accorded to legal persons under the law of the European Union, relevant international law, and the laws of Greece; The Institute may be party to legal proceedings.
- ii. The Institute shall operate exclusively on a non-for-profit status. The Institute shall have no economical stature. All financial, tax, and accounting matters relating the Institution's operations shall be planned, controlled, and governed by the HSSS.

## **ARTICLE 03**

### **(1) Costs & Expenditures**

All costs and expenditures accrued by the Institution's operations shall be covered by the HSSS Society. All payments shall be made by the HSSS Society's revenue, which is generated from the subscriptions of its members and its participation in different projects and programs of any relevant nature.

## **ARTICLE 04**

### **(1) Membership**

- i. The Institute's operations shall be world-wide. Membership to the Institute shall be open to all interested persons that meet the minimum requirements outlined in Article 5.
- ii. The HSSS Society shall maintain a Membership Register which shall contain each Institute member's identification information, a unique certification number for each member, and information pertaining to the date(s) of certification (re-certification).
- iii. All persons must Certified as "***Systemic Analyst Professional***" in order to be included in the Membership Register. No other persons shall be included in the Membership Register.
- iv. Individuals holding current Certification awarded through the HSSS Society's Certified Systemic Analyst Professional (CSAP) Post-Graduate Level Program, shall be automatically included in the Membership Register.

- v. Individuals with demonstrated competence in Professional Systemics, Systems Science and/or related fields, who hold or have held leadership positions in any branch of academia, business, and/or government, and who have contributed through their position, research, and/or work to the scope of the Society, shall be eligible for the title "**Systemic Analyst Professional Executive**". Eligibility will be evaluated and the title bestowed by the PSMi Board in one of two ways: (1) following a written petition from any individual meeting the above criteria who wishes to be considered, or (2) following a recommendation from any member of the Council of the HSSS Society. Systemic Analyst Professional Executives shall be included automatically in the Membership Register and shall enjoy all benefits awarded to Members.
- vi. The HSSS Society shall inform the Institute of any and all changes made to the Membership Register.

## **(2) Rules of Professional Conduct**

- i. Members shall keep their knowledge and skills up-to-date through planned professional development and seek to broaden and deepen that knowledge throughout their working life.
- ii. Members shall not misrepresent the scope and/or time duration of their Certification.
- iii. Members shall not undertake professional tasks and responsibilities that they do not believe themselves competent to discharge.
- iv. Members shall accept personal responsibility for all work done by them or under their supervision or direction.
- v. Members shall exemplify professional behavior generally and specifically in their relationships with the Institution and their fellow members.

## **ARTICLE 05**

### **(1) Minimum Requirements for PSMi Membership**

- i. Certification as a "**Systemic Analyst Professional**" requires that an individual:
  - (a) Holds a B.Sc Degree from an accredited University;
  - (b) Is attending or has completed a Post-Graduate related Program;
  - (c) Has successfully completed a (written) multiple choice final examination of international standards;
  - (d) Has successfully completed a Certification Project, which has been accepted and presented in a National or International conference;
  - (e) Maintains his/her Certification in good standing.
- ii. Certification shall be valid for a period of 5 (five) years, from the date of issue.

### **(2) Re-certification**

- i. Re-certification requires that the individual meets ALL of the following:

- (a) Adheres to the Rules of Professional Conduct that accompanies Certification;
- (b) Has presented a minimum of three papers in National or International conferences on Professional Systemics and/or related fields;
- (c) Has acquired 120 (one hundred and twenty) PKUs (Professional Knowledge Units) by attending lectures, seminars, and/or workshops on topics associated with Professional Systemics and/or related fields; **OR** has completed a minimum of 3 projects in organizations of the public and/or private sectors making use of systemic methods and tools, which have been presented in National or International conferences on Professional Systemics and/or related fields

## **ARTICLE 06**

### **(1) Subscriptions**

- i. Each member shall meet his/her financial obligations (subscription) for the certified and re-certified period.
- ii. The amount of the subscription and other arrangements relating to payment shall be laid down by the PSMi Board, following approval by the Society's Council.

## **ARTICLE 07**

### **(1) Governing Body of the Institute**

- i. The Institute shall be governed by a 5 (five) member Council (known as the **PSMi Board**), which shall be appointed by the Council of the HSSS.
- ii. Membership to the PSMi Board shall be open only to HSSS members.
- iii. The President of the Council of the HSSS shall serve as the President of the PSMi Board. The President of the PSMi Board shall preside over all PSMi Board assemblies and meetings.
- iv. The President of the PSMi Board shall represent the Institute.
- v. The term of office for the PSMi Board shall for 5 (five) years. Following this term, a new Board will be appointed by the Council of the HSSS. Members to the Board may be re-appointed by the Council of the HSSS, once their term has expired.

### **(2) PSMi Governance**

- i. The Council of the HSSS shall have the management and control of the affairs of the PSMi, including its constituent and any subsidiary bodies. The Council of the HSSS shall have the right to delegate powers to the PSMi Board, in accordance with the conditions laid down in its charter.
- ii. The PSMi Board may establish such policies as it deems appropriate to the conduct of its affairs and/or the affairs and operations of the Institute, congruent with the powers given to it by the Council of the HSSS. Such policies shall be reviewed and approved by the Council of the HSSS.

- iii. The Council of the HSSS may, within the terms and Regulations on Discipline for PSMi members, make recommendations on conduct.

### **(3) The Disciplinary Committee**

- i. The HSSS Council shall appoint a Disciplinary Committee to oversee issues associated with relevant Institution activities that pertain to their scope.
- ii. The Institution's Disciplinary Committee shall be composed of 3 (three) members.
- iii. Membership to the Disciplinary Committee shall be open only to HSSS members.
- iv. The Chair of the Disciplinary Committee shall hold, preferably, a degree in law.
- v. The Disciplinary Committee shall not include any members of the PSMi Board.
- vi. The term of office for the Disciplinary Committee shall be for 5 (five) years. Following this term, a new Committee will be appointed by the Council of the HSSS. Members to the Committee may be re-appointed by the Council of the HSSS, once their term has expired.

### **(4) Other Committees**

The Council of the HSSS, in collaboration with the PSMi Board may set up other Committees and shall fix their terms of office.

## **ARTICLE 8**

### **(1) General PSMi meetings**

- i. General meetings of the whole membership of the PSMi may be called by the HSSS Council at any time on 90 days' notice via an email. They shall be called by the HSSS Council following a written request of not less than 5% of the members of the PSMi and representing at least two scientific fields (directions) of certified professionals.
- ii. The provisional agenda for a general meeting shall be drawn up by the PSMi Board and communicated to the members at least 30 days before the opening of the meeting.
- iii. The provisional agenda shall include all items which the PSMi Board deems it desirable to put before the general meeting. It shall also include all items proposed by at least 20 members of the PSMi which are made at least 60 days before the opening of the meeting.
- iv. The general meeting shall adopt its agenda at its opening session.
- v. Items proposed by members of the PSMi Board for inclusion in the agenda less than 60 days before the opening of the meeting or during the meeting may be placed on the agenda if the general meeting so decides by a majority of members present. No such item may, unless the general meeting decides otherwise by a two-thirds majority of the members present, be considered until twenty-four hours have elapsed since it was placed on the agenda.
- vi. The general meeting shall have power to adopt resolutions.

## **ARTICLE 9**

### **(1) Amendment of these Regulations**

Proposals for amendments to these Regulations shall be made by the HSSS Council, acted by a two-thirds majority of its members.

## **ARTICLE 10**

### **(1) Entry into force**

This document shall enter into force on 10 October 2016.

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For the HSSS Council, the President,  
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