

University of Latvia International Students' Collegium

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

I General provisions

- 1. Terms and abbreviations used in this document:
 - 1.1. UL University of Latvia;
 - 1.2. UL ISC University of Latvia International Students' Collegium;
 - 1.3. LU SP Students' Council of the University of Latvia;
 - 1.4. International Student any student enrolled at the University of Latvia, in a study programme not conducted in the state language or participating in exchange from a foreign university.
- UL International Students' Collegium Articles of Accession (hereinafter Articles)
 regulate the election procedure of international student representatives (hereinafter —
 Representatives) to UL ISC.
- 3. UL ISC is founded under LU SP, the UL ISC must adhere to the regulations of the LU SP Constitution ("LU SP Satversme").
- 4. UL ISC may adopt Rules of Order to define procedures not defined in this document as long as they are not in conflict with LU SP regulation of higher legal force.
- 5. The purpose of UL ISC is to represent the interests of international students at the University of Latvia and to help improve the lives of UL international students.
- 6. The working language of UL ISC is English with translation in Latvian available on demand.
- 7. Any international student enrolled at the University of Latvia may be elected to be part of the UL ISC, on the condition that said student will be studying at UL for at least one more semester, in addition to the current semester.
- 8. UL ISC has its own visual identity approved by the Board of LU SP.



II Elections and Voting

- 9. The representatives of the UL ISC shall be elected by secret ballot by the LU SP Assembly.
- 10. Those who have received a simple majority are considered elected.
- 11. Elections shall take place in November of each year. No later than two weeks before the elections of the representatives of the UL ISC, the Board of LU SP shall notify the timing, place and form of the elections.
- 12. In his or her candidature, the candidate shall submit the Curriculum vitae and the letter of motivation to the Board of LU SP no later than one week before the announced elections, indicating their faculty, study programme and course (hereinafter Application).
- 13. If the candidate applies for re-election, the Application shall also include a report on progress made while taking office previously.
- 14. LU SP has the right to accept Applications submitted later than the specified date, provided that the candidate submits a reasoned application justifying the delay. The LU SP Assembly shall vote on the examination of a delayed application.
- 15. The UL ISC consists of no more than seven representatives not including the observing representatives mentioned in Article 15.¹.
- 15.1 LU SP is permitted to elect no more than two additional UL students as observing representatives at UL ISC. Observing representatives do not have voting rights at UL ISC meetings but are tasked with ensuring cooperation between LU SP and UL ISC. The term of the observing members is one year.

III Operation

- 16. UL ISC elects the Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson by secret ballot from among its members.
- 17. The first meeting of the term of the UL ISC shall until the election of the new Chairperson be chaired by the previous Chairperson. If they are not available, the first meeting shall be chaired by the Chairperson of LU SP, or by any person delegated by the Board of LU SP.
- 18. Members of the UL ISC are dismissed of their duties in the following circumstances:



- 18.1. when the term of their office expires;
- 18.2. if a member is recalled or chooses to resign before the end of their term;
- 18.3. if a member is exmatriculated from studies at UL.
- 19. The LU SP Assembly may decide to express a vote of no confidence in an UL ISC Representative and to recall them. The vote can be initiated by no less that two thirds of UL ISC members or two thirds of Board members of LU SP. A representative who is subject to a vote of no confidence must be given the right to defend themselves to the LU SP Assembly before taking a decision on their revocation.

IV Final provisions

- 20. If the Representative leaves the position before the end of the term, elections shall be held to fill the vacant position of the Representative until the end of the term of office of the UL ISC.
- 21. This document can be amended at an LU SP Assembly meeting.