



# Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science

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## GOVERNANCE and STATUTES OF THE TELESIO-GALILEI ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

The Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science was established in 2007 with the aim of promoting science and scientific research. It has grown substantially over the past two years in particular and now includes many highly distinguished men and women of science and letters globally.

The worthiness of research and its consistency with current scientific knowledge is assessed and judged by a selection of Referees and an Advisory Board.

The Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science is interested in communicating to wide audiences. We are also preparing to offer doctoral studentships and supervision in liaison with selected universities in Europe. Conferencing and an established editorial journal are high on our agenda.

We are a young and growing Academy and many of our projects are early in their stages of development.

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### Preamble

The present Statutes were adopted at Airport House Purley Way Croydon Surrey CRO OXZ on **July the 5th**. 2007. They concern an international not-for-profit association.

### 1. Principal Articles

#### Article 1- Name and Constitution

(1) The Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science has the structure of a legal person, more specifically in the form of an international not-for-profit association

(2) The Academy is called the Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science and is abbreviated as TGA. In these Statutes it is called "the Academy".

(3) Its main contact address is;

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#### Article 2 - Mission and objectives

The mission of the Academy is to promote the interests of scientific endeavor. The Academy has been established to offer support and encouragement in the quest for promoting science and intends to catalyze research in the foundations of physics, chemistry, biology and, eventually, in all other scientific fields. one aim of the Academy is to support and encourage original research which is not necessarily restricted to ideas, subjects, or methods currently receiving emphasis in the scientific endeavors' across the globe, in Environmental Science, Biological Science, Quantum Physics and Relativistic Physics.

In its work, the Telesio-Galilei Academy has attracted, and awarded to, many highly distinguished scientists and will continue in its quest to build its future on these successes through its original emphases and world-wide following.

## **Article 3 – Members of the Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science**

There are two levels of membership;

- (1) Honorary Members (currently 31)
- (2) Members (currently 148)

## **Article 4 – Status of Membership (honorary members and Members)**

- (1) Membership is accorded by the Executive Board of the Academy without limitation of time.
- (2) Every member can at any time leave the Academy, effectively by the end of the academic year. The Council shall, however, be informed of any resignation by registered writing addressed to the Secretary at the latest three months before the end of the academic year.
- (3) The Academy can terminate the membership upon recommendation of the Telesio-Galilei of Science Executive Board. Such exclusion requires two thirds (2/3) of the voting members present or represented by proxy to vote in favour after hearing the defence of the interested party. The reasons for termination of membership are to be specified in writing.

## **Article 5 – Duties of members**

The members of the Academy have the following responsibilities:

- (a) to contribute to the development of the Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science
- (b) to take an active part in the relevant General Assembly decision-making processes
- (c) to promote the dissemination of information and of the Telesio-Galilei Academy initiatives by and among the national institutions and associations
- (d) to pay any annual fee due.

## **II. Structure of the Academy**

### **Article 6 - Bodies of the Academy**

The Academy has the following bodies:

- a) the General Assembly (Video Conferencing)
- b) the Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science Executive Board
- c) the Telesio-Galilei Advisory Board
- d) the Secretariat
- e) legal advisory body

## **III. The General Assembly**

### **Article 7 - Composition**

- (1) All members of the Academy are represented in the General Assembly
- (2) The General Assembly can admit a limited number of observers to its meetings (Video Conferencing).

### **Article 8 - Functions**

The General Assembly has full powers in the realization of the mission and aims of the Academy. In particular the tasks of the General Assembly are to:

- a) amend the Statutes
- b) elect or discharge the President and the Vice-President
- c) elect or discharge the Chairman
- d) appoint the Secretary
- e) appoint the Treasurer (the Legal Advisor is appointed by the Executive Board)
- f) approve the annual report of the President
- g) approve the annual accounts and report of the Treasurer
- h) approve the annual membership fees
- i) terminate membership
- j) approve all other important issues, including appointment of key people to an office within the Academy
- k) dissolve the Academy

### **Article 9 - Operations**

- (1) The General Assembly meets annually (Video Conferencing) on two occasions each year, unless the Executive Board decides otherwise. The meeting of the General Assembly is called by the President no later than four (4) weeks before the date of the meeting.
- (2) If the majority of the delegates demand so, an Extraordinary Meeting is called by the President within two (2) months from the date of the request. Also, an Extraordinary Meeting can be called by a majority of the Executive Board.

## **Article 10 - Voting procedure**

(1) In order to meet legally, a quorum of fifty percent plus one of the total number of all possible votes held by the members of the General Assembly must be present or/and represented by proxy. If this is not the case, the President can call an Extraordinary Meeting of the General Assembly, with no such provision.

(2) The General Assembly decides by a majority of fifty percent plus one of the votes represented in the meeting, i.e. delegates present and valid proxy documents. The President has a casting vote.

(3) Any individual member institutions have one vote each, corresponding to the number of their member institutions up to a maximum of five (5) votes. Associate members have one vote each.

(4) Members who cannot be present may vote by proxy, given either to another member who is present, or to the Secretary.

## **IV. The Executive Board and Advisory Board**

### **Article 11- Composition**

#### **The Executive Board**

The Executive Board comprises:

- (a) President
- (b) Vice-President
- (c) Chairman
- (d) Vice-Chairman
- (e) Three elected Scientists
- (f) Legal Adviser
- (g) Secretary
- (h) Treasurer

#### **The Advisory Board**

The Advisory Board comprises:

- (a) Two elected scientists
- (b) the Vice-President

### **Article 12 - Functions**

(1) The Executive Board determines the overall policy of the Academy. It initiates and approves the Academy's Policy Papers and Strategies.

(2) The Executive Board can initiate and/or approve projects to be carried out and the establishment of working groups in this context. It can organize seminars, workshops and other meetings to promote transnational co-operation and the dissemination of information.

(3) The Executive Board plans to hold (at least every other year) a conference held in a member state of the European Union or another global country. This conference is meant to promote the mission and aims of the Academy and to facilitate the trans-national co-operation of the institutions in the member states and other countries. The Executive Board is currently establishing an organizing committee, to be chaired by a delegate of the country in which the conference is to take place.

(4) The Executive Board accepts new members and makes recommendations to the General Assembly about termination of membership as proposed by the Advisory Board and the Executive Board.

### **Article 13 - Operation**

(1) The Executive Board meets at least two (2) times per year. The meeting of the Executive Board is called in writing by the President no later than four (4) weeks before the date of the meeting.

(2) If the majority of the delegates demand so, an extraordinary meeting is called by the President within two (2) months from the date of the request. Also, an extraordinary meeting can be called by three (3) other members of the Executive Board jointly.

(3) For the Executive Board to meet legally, at least half of the voting members must be present or represented by proxy. If this is not the case, the President can call an Extraordinary Meeting of the Executive Board.

(4) The Secretary and the Treasurer participate in the meetings of the Executive and Advisory Boards.

### **Article 14 - Voting procedure (Executive Board)**

(1) The Executive Board decides by a majority of those present.

(2) All members have one vote save for the Secretary, Legal Adviser and Treasurer who have no vote.

## **V. Duration of Appointment**

## **Article 15 - Terms of Office**

- (1) The President and Vice-President of the Academy are elected by the Board and Advisory Board
- (2) The President is elected for a term of five (5) years.
- (3) The Vice-President is elected for a term of five (5) years. The President and Vice-President can be re-elected.
- (4) The Chairman is elected for a term of five (5) years.
- (5) The Vice-Chairman is elected for a term of (5) years.
- (6) If the President cannot complete his/her term, the Board appoints the Vice-President as acting President for the rest of the term of service. If a Vice-President cannot complete his/her term the Executive Board appoints one of its members as acting Vice-President for the remaining term of service.
- (7) If the Chairman cannot complete his/her term, the Board appoints the Vice- Chairman for the remaining term of service.
- (8) A President, Vice-President or a Chairman can be discharged by the upon the recommendation by the Board before the end of their term if they are deemed not to act in the best interest of the Academy.
- (9) Other academic Members of the Executive Board are elected for a term of (5) years and they may stand for re-election for one consecutive term of service.
- (10) The Secretary, Legal Advisor and Treasurer are appointed by the General Assembly for a period of five (5) years and can be re-elected for one consecutive term of service.
- (11) If the Secretary, legal Adviser and Treasurer cannot complete his/her term the Executive Board will appoint acting replacements for the remaining term of service.

## **VI. Offices of the Academy**

### **Article 16 - Office-holders**

The Academy has the following office-holders:

- (a) President
- (b) Vice President
- (c) Chairman
- (d) Vice-Chairman
- (e) Secretary
- (f) Legal Adviser
- (g) Treasurer

### **Article 17 - The Presidency and Chairmanship**

- (1) The President represents the Academy. He presides over the General Assembly and the Executive Board. He supervises the Secretary and advises other senior members. The Presidency is a non-paid position.
- (2) The Vice-President shall assist the President in the execution of his/her office. The Vice-Presidency is a non-paid position.
- (3) The Chairman leads the business of the Board and the General Assembly. He/she assists the President and Vice President in the execution of their offices. The Chairmanship is a non-paid position.
- (4) The Vice-Chairman shall assist the Chairman in the execution of his/her office. The Vice-Chairman is a non-paid position.

### **Article 18 - The Secretariat**

- (1) The Academy shall have a Secretariat under the responsibility of a Secretary.
- (2) The tasks of the Secretary are to:
  - (a) assist the President in the execution of his/her office;
  - (b) prepare the meetings of the Executive Board, Advisory Board and the General Assembly;
  - (c) draft the minutes of the meetings;
  - (d) provide the members with the necessary information;
  - (e) disseminate appropriate information among the members and the public;
  - (f) keep a record of the decisions and minutes of the meetings of the Executive Board, the Advisory Board and the General Assembly.
- (3) The Secretary acts as secretary to the management bodies of the Academy. He/she is authorised to sign legally binding documents together with the President on behalf of the Academy.
- (4) A Register will be kept by the Secretary, which will record all decisions taken by the General Assembly, the Executive Board and the Advisory Board to be preserved at the administrative office of the Academy.

## **Article 19 – The Legal Advisory Body**

- (1) The Academy shall have a legal advisory body under the responsibility of the Vice President.
- (2) The tasks of Legal Advisors are to:
  - (a) assist the Academy in all legal matters pertaining to the Academy's non-profit status
  - (b) assist the Vice-President in all matters pertaining to the Academy's governance and statutes

## **Article 20 - The Treasurer**

- (1) The Treasurer is appointed by the Executive Board and serves for a period of 5 years. This period can be extended.
- (3) The Treasurer is a non-paid position.

## **VII. Finances**

### **Article 21 - Membership and Fees**

- (1) Currently there are no fees payable. However, The General Assembly shall decide whether this policy should continue into the future.

## **VIII. Statutes and dissolution of the Academy**

### **Article 22 - Changes to the Statutes**

- (1) The President informs the General Assembly at least two months in advance of any proposal for amendment of the constitution or dissolution of the Academy, and of the date of the meeting of the General Assembly that shall decide on such a proposal.
- (2) Any proposal for amendment of the Statutes or to dissolve the Academy must pass (vote in favour) by two thirds (2/3) of the votes represented, i.e. the number of votes held by the delegates present plus the valid votes by proxy. If the proposal fails to pass a new meeting is called which makes a final and valid decision by majority. The President has a casting vote.
- (3) Amendments to the Statutes take effect only after acceptance by the General Assembly.

### **Article 24 - Dissolution**

- (1) Dissolution of the Academy must pass (vote in favour) by two thirds (2/3) of the votes represented, i.e. the number of votes held by the delegates present plus the valid votes by proxy.

## **Activities by the Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science**

### **CONFERENCES**

The Academy is in the process of establishing a series of conferences. The Executive Board plans to hold (at least every other year) a conference held in a member state of the European Union or another global country. Such conferences will promote the mission and aims of the Academy and facilitate the transnational co-operation of the institutions in the member states and other countries.

### **PRODUCTIVE LIAISONS WITH OTHER UNIVERSITIES, INSTITUTES AND AGENCIES.**

These are as follows:

[CIFA](#)

Noetic Advanced Studies Institute

[Ukrainian Biophysical Society](#)

[International Association for Hydrogen Technology](#)

[National Technical University of Kyiv Polytechnic Institute](#)

[O.O. Bogomolets National Medical University](#)

Russian Academy of Sciences

United Schmidt Institute of Physics of the Earth

[Geoelectromagnetic Research Center](#)

Bauman Moscow State Technical University [Physics Department](#)

Pushkov Institute of Terrestrial Magnetism, Ionosphere and Radio Wave propagation, RAS  
[Physics of Consciousness and Life, Cosmology and Astrophysics](#) (Journal)

Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science scientific collaboration with [http://www.telesio-galilei.com/tg/images/stories/documents/Preliminary\\_agreement.pdf](http://www.telesio-galilei.com/tg/images/stories/documents/Preliminary_agreement.pdf) the Biophysical Society of Ukraine

**Conference Proceedings 2010 (Richard Amoroso is a member of the Telesio-Galilei Academy of Science)**

'Search for Fundamental Theory'

The VIIth International Symposium Honoring French Mathematical Physicist Jean-Pierre Vigièr held At Imperial College, London, UK, 12th-14th July 2010.  
editors - Richard Amoroso, Peter Rowlands, Stanley Jeffers,

***AIP Conference Proceedings 1316***

American Institute of Physics, Melville, New York, 2010

**THE ACADEMY'S FIVE-YEAR PLAN – 2012- 2016**

The academy has the following priorities over the next five years:

- Intensify research strengths and publication at the highest level within the Academy's spirit of open-mindedness in all branches of scientific endeavour
- Establish an editorial international journal
- Establish a programme of international conferences
- Increase and intensify productive links with industry

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