

Statutes of IERE

ARTICLE I: Name and Objective

This association shall be termed the IERE. IERE is a non-profit, financially self-sustaining international organization consisting of corporations and institutions willing to promote R&D activities with global cooperation as a means to solve medium- and long-term issues facing the electricity service industries of the world.

ARTICLE II: Membership

Electricity service industries, R&D institutions, manufacturers, universities and government organizations that pay due respect to the spirit of mutual benefit and contribute to substantial R&D information exchange through the platform of IERE are eligible for the membership of IERE.

Admission to and removal from the IERE membership shall be decided by the Board and notified by the Chair of IERE.

The membership of IERE consists of Executive members, Regular members, Academia members, and Individual members as set forth in Article 1 of the Bylaws.

Each member shall appoint and register a representative.

ARTICLE III: General Meeting

The General Meeting is a platform for interactions among members, where all IERE members can meet one another.

- 1) The General Meeting takes place at intervals as decided by the Board.
- 2) The General Meetings are attended by the representatives of IERE members, guests invited by the Board members, and experts put forward by the IERE members with the approval of the Chair.
- 3) The General Meeting should receive the reports on important decisions made by the Board as well as general information regarding the operation of IERE. Representatives attending the General Meeting are provided with the opportunity to express their views on the reports.
- 4) The General Meeting should include technical sessions, for which guest speakers from the

other fields may be invited.

- 5) The agenda of the General Meeting shall be established by the Chair after consultation with the Board.
- 6) The minutes of the General Meeting shall be prepared by the Secretary General and approved by the Board.

Details are set forth in Article 5 of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE IV: Board

The Board shall govern IERE and make decisions and approvals based on the IERE Statutes. The Board shall primarily be responsible for realizing effective planning and operation of IERE and promoting the interests of the members by assuring openness and transparency.

1. Board Members

The Board members shall be elected from among the representatives of the Executive member organizations in accordance with Article 12 of the Bylaws. The number of the Board members shall be at least nine (9) and no more than fifteen (15). Details are set forth in Article 6 of the Bylaws.

2. Tasks and Functions

The Board decides on the following matters to ensure smooth, informal, and efficient operation of IERE:

- a. Admission and removal of the member organizations and Individual members
- b. Planning and organization of conferences including dates, venue and format of the General Meeting and Workshop
- c. Evaluation and authorization of IERE activities
- d. Revision of the IERE Statutes and Bylaws
- e. Election of the Chair, the Vice Chair and the Treasurer
- f. Organization of working groups to make investigations on special projects

3. Board Meeting

- 1) Decisions of the Board shall, in principle, be made at the Board Meetings. The Board Meeting may be substituted by other means, when authorized by the Board.
- 2) A quorum for a Board Meeting shall require the attendance (including proxies) of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Board members. The decisions shall be made by a simple majority vote of the Board members present. In the case of a tie vote, the Chair shall cast the

deciding vote.

- 3) A Board Meeting shall be convened upon the proposal of the Board members with the agreement of at least half of the Board members.
- 4) The agenda of the Board Meeting shall be determined by the Chair.
- 5) The minutes of the Board Meeting shall be prepared by the Secretary General and approved by the Board.

ARTICLE V: Chair and Vice Chair

The Chair and the Vice Chair of IERE shall be elected from among the Board members in accordance with Article 12 of the Bylaws. The Vice Chair shall act as the Chair in the absence of the Chair. The terms of office of the Chair and the Vice Chair shall be determined by the Board as provided in Article 7 of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI: Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be elected from among the Board members in accordance with Article 12 of the Bylaws. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the financial policy and its sound implementation.

The term of office of the Treasurer shall be determined by the Board as provided in Article 8 of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII: Secretary General

The Chair of IERE shall appoint a Secretary General, with the approval of the Board. The Secretary General, a full-time officer of the Central Office, represents the Central Office and is responsible for the management of IERE activities and the operation of the Central Office.

ARTICLE VIII: Central Office

To ensure consistent management of IERE, a Central Office shall be established.

The functions of the Central Office are detailed in Article 9 of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE IX: Activities

The Board shall plan and organize activities to facilitate the effective exchange of information, ideas, views, and opinions among members from various entities involved in R&D for the electric power service industry.

The members shall actively participate in the IERE activities for mutual benefit.

The IERE activities are authorized and set forth in Article 10 of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE X: Financial Matters

The fiscal year begins on January 1 and ends on December 31.

Every organization represented on the Board, and each of the Members not represented on the Board, shall bear the costs of their representatives and the correspondence resulting from their membership in IERE.

The Central Office shall be financed by the membership fees. The IERE activities (General Meetings, Workshops, and other IERE events) shall primarily be financed by the registration fees, with support from the hosting organizations.

ARTICLE XI: Alteration of the Statutes and Bylaws

The Statutes and Bylaws may be modified. The decision shall be made by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board with notice provided to the Board members at least one month in advance.

ARTICLE XII: Unforeseen Matters

In all matters not foreseen in these Statutes, the Board shall decide.

Revision History

June 25, 2025: Revise the wording to be more concise, clear, and formal, without changing the meaning, to achieve overall uniformity

July 23, 2008: Revised maximum number of Board members in Article IV

May 22, 2003: Major revisions in Articles II, IV, V, and VI

- Article II: Added Academia members category
- Articles IV, V, and VI: Added reference articles in Bylaws

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