Based on article no. 11 of the Law on Associations ("Narodne novine" no. 88/01), on March 16, 2012, Assembly of the Croatian Cartographic Society adopted the

**STATUTE**

of the Croatian Cartographic Society

**I. GENERAL REGULATIONS**

**Article 1**

This statute regulates organization and activities of the Croatian Cartographic Society, in accordance with goals and tasks of the Croatian Cartographic Society (CCS). CCS is a vocational association of cartographers and other people especially interested in cartography and related fields.

**Article 2**

The name of the association is Croatian Cartographic Society, abbreviated to CCS. In contact with international subjects, the Society uses its English name.

CCS headquarters are in Zagreb.

CCS is active in the Republic of Croatia, and it collaborates and exchanges scientific and experiential knowledge with similar foreign associations.

**Article 3**

CCS is a legal person with rights and obligations based on the Constitution of the Republic of Croatia, laws and other regulations.

CCS is represented by President and Vice-Presidents as decided by the Assembly.

**Article 4**

CCS has its seal and symbol:

**II. GOALS AND ACTIVITIES OF CCS**

**Article 5**

The basic goal of CCS is to promote and develop cartography and related fields.

**Article 6**

CCS conducts following activities in order to realize its goals:

- Stimulates creativity and applies scientific achievements in practical and expert work in all forms of cartographic activities
- Supports and publishes cartographic and related publications according to special regulations
- Establishes and takes care of collections of maps, plans, books, photographs and other publications
- Communicates with similar institutions in Croatia and abroad
• Evaluates cartographic work of organizations and individuals when requested by authorities or interested citizens
• Organizes scientific and expert lectures, meetings, seminars, conferences, etc.
• Publishes journals, expert and scientific publications, statements etc.
• Collaborates internationally
• Is a member of international cartographic societies
• Awards and acknowledges
• Conducts training and specializations of its members in Croatia and abroad.

III. MEMBERSHIP

Article 7
Any natural person with Croatian nationality or legal person with headquarters in the Republic of Croatia supporting activities of the Society can become its regular member.
Regular members who had been members in CCS for at least 10 years before they retired maintain their regular member status and are free of paying membership fees.
Especially deserving individuals or legal persons can become honorary members of CCS, as decided by the Assembly.
A foreigner can also become a member of CCS, under the same conditions as a citizen of the Republic of Croatia.
CCS secretary registers CCS members.

Article 8
Members have a membership card, the form and content of which are to be determined by the Presidency.

Article 9
Rights and obligations of regular members include:
• Advocating realization of CCS program goals and tasks
• Pay membership fees
• Propose and vote on CCS body members
• Participate in activities organized by CCS
• Accept duties entrusted to them by CCS bodies
• Respect general moral norms and preserve CCS's reputation
• Leave CCS.
All members are equal with regard to rights and obligations.

Article 10
Membership in CCS ceases by:
• A written statement on leaving CCS
• Deleting from the register
• Expulsion from CCS due to violations of the Statute, endangering integrity of CCS, hindering its tasks or violating ethical norms or damaging reputation of CCS
• Ceasing of CCS
The decision to expel a member of CCS is made on the basis of a majority vote, with the decision being final.
IV. SOCIETY BODIES

Article 11

CCS bodies include:
• Assembly
• Presidency
• President
• Supervisory Board
• Secretary
• Court of Honour

Article 12

Mandate of all bodies lasts two years

a) Assembly

Article 13

CCS Assembly is the supreme body of authority. All regular CCS members form the Assembly.

Article 14

CCS Assembly has following rights, obligations and responsibilities:
• Adopts CCS Statute, changes and amendments of the Statute, as well as other CCS regulations
• Accepts CCS program proposed by the Presidency
• Proposes and elects the President, Vice-Presidents and their deputies and members of the Supervisory Board and Court of Honour
• Discusses and decides on reports by elected bodies and committees
• Adopts CCS bodies rules of order
• Executes other tasks resulting from the Statute and laws of the Republic of Croatia.

Article 15

CCS Assembly sessions are held at least once a year, and they can also be held if necessary. Elective assembly is held every two years.

Article 16

CCS Assembly sessions are prepared by CCS Presidency and announced at least 30 days in advance.

CCS Presidency determines location, time and agenda.

Presidency is obligated to hold the Assembly when requested by at least a third of the Assembly’s members or the Supervisory Board. The request has to contain a proposed agenda.

If the Presidency does not organize the Assembly within 15 days of receiving a request, it is going to be organized by the proposer (the decision has to contain a proposal of the agenda and location and time of the session).

Decisions of the Assembly are valid if they are made by more than half of the Assembly. Decisions are made on the basis of more than half of present member votes.

Article 17

The Assembly can disband bodies it elects prior to their mandates being over if they overstep their authority or they do not execute their obligations.
b) *Presidency*

Article 18
The President and eight Vice-Presidents form the Presidency.

Article 19
The Presidency is the executive body of CCS which is responsible to the Assembly. The Presidency is managed by the President of CCS, and the Secretary also participates in its work.

Article 20
The Presidency:
- Proposes the Statute, its changes and amendments
- Adopts the annual program of CCS
- Determines and adopts the budget of CCS
- Composes annual revenue account
- Executed decisions and conclusion of the Assembly
- Proposes to the Assembly certain activities not in the program determined subsequently
- Manages CCS property
- Appoints CCS Secretary
- Proposes to the Assembly to adopt corresponding regulations
- Proposes membership fees
- Organizes the Assembly, proposes the agenda and prepares all materials discussed by the Assembly
- Decides on changing CCS headquarters address.

Article 21
Presidency works and decides in sessions.
Presidency meets when necessary, and at least once every three months. More than half of its members are required for valid work and decision making, except for determining proposal of the Statute, the program, budget and annual revenue account, which requires a two thirds majority of Presidency members. Decisions are made based on a majority vote of present members.

c) *President*

Article 22
In addition to executive manager of CCS, the President also represents CCS in Croatia and abroad.
The President takes care and is responsible for executing decisions and conclusion of the Assembly and the Presidency. The President signs decisions and other regulations adopted by the Assembly and the Presidency.
The President appoints his or her deputy.

d) *Supervisory Board*

Article 23
The Supervisory Board is a CCS expert body consisting of five members who are not members of another CCS body.
Members of the Supervisory Board elect among themselves the president, who manages the Board. The Supervisory Board works in sessions. At least three of its members have to
present for their work and decisions to be valid. Decisions are made based on a majority vote of all the Supervisory Board’s members.

Article 24
The Supervisory Board analyses and supervises:
- Execution of the Statute’s regulations and other CCS regulations
- Execution of rights and obligations of the Presidency and legality of CCS activities
- Material, financial business and regularity of CCS assets management
- Realization of decisions, conclusions and other legal acts
- Other works entrusted by the Assembly
- Can ask the president to organize a session of the Assembly.

Article 25
The president of the Supervisory Board regularly participates in sessions of the Presidency without the right to decide.
The Supervisory Board is responsible to the Assembly.

e) Secretary
Article 26
The function of the Secretary is to carry out administrative-technical and financial-accounting work in CCS.

Article 27
The Secretary is the bearer of expert work for CCS bodies.
The Secretary is responsible for managing the members register and keeping all administrative regulations and CCS documentation.
The Secretary is nominated by the Presidency and he or she is responsible to it.
The Secretary can be any person who meets the following conditions in addition to those regulated by law:
- A member of CCS
- Knowledge of at least one world language.
If the Secretary does not meet CCS requirements, the Presidency deposes him or her before the mandate ends.

f) Court of Honour
Article 28
The Court of Honour consists of three members, who choose their president among themselves. The Court resolves issues within CCS. The Court’s president organizes its sessions.
The Court holds sessions in full composition, and decisions are made by a majority vote.
The Court’s decisions are confirmed by the Assembly. Sessions and votes of the Court of Honour are secret.

V. PUBLISHING ACTIVITIES

Article 29
CCS organizes publishing of expert, scientific, permanent publications and periodicals. Organization and way of publishing are based on regulations of Law on Public Informing, Law on Publishing Activities and other regulations.
VI. ASSETS AND ASSETS MANAGEMENT

Article 30
CCS acquires financial resources from membership fees, sponsorships, holding scientific and expert conferences, contributions and donations of natural and legal persons in accordance with the Law.

Article 31
CCS assets also include rights recorded in registers.

Article 32
CCS manages assets in accordance with regulation on material and financial business of non-profit organizations.
Financial business of CCS is based on annual financial plan adopted by the Presidency.
Annual revenue account is made at the end of a year for which a financial plan was made.
The Presidency decides on managing CCS assets.

VII. PUBLIC WORK OF CCS

Article 33
Work of CCS is public. This is ensured via public and internal information means.
CCS notifies the public about its work via its publications, journals, by holding scientific and expert conferences and collaborating with corresponding expert associations in Croatia and abroad.

VIII. AWARDS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Article 34
The Presidency proposes CCS awards and acknowledgments for individuals and legal persons who significantly contributed to the development and reputation of CCS. The Assembly decides on these awards and acknowledgments.

Article 35
The Presidency is going to support or emphasize its members’ candidacy for national and international awards.

IX. TRANSITIONAL AND CONCLUDING REGULATIONS

Article 36
This Statute is adopted by the Assembly by a majority vote of present members.
Changes and amendments of the Statute are done the same way the Statute was adopted.

Article 37
CCS ceases to exist:
- If the Assembly decides so by a two-third majority vote of present members
- If the authorized administrative body decides so
- In other cases in accordance with the law.
Article 38
This Statute comes into effect on the day it is recorded in the administrative body’s association register.

In Zagreb, on March 16, 2012

President of Croatian Cartographic Society

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