

Pursuant to Article 11 of the Associations Act (Official Gazette 88/01), on 16 March 2012, the Assembly of the Croatian Cartographic Society adopted the

STATUTE of the Croatian Cartographic Society

I. GENERAL REGULATIONS

Article 1

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

Article 2

The name of the association is the Croatian Cartographic Society, (CCS in abbreviation). In contact with international subjects, the Society uses its English name.

The CCS headquarters are in Zagreb.

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

Article 3

The CCS is a legal person with rights and obligations pursuant to the Constitution of the Republic of Croatia, laws and other regulations.

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

Article 4



The CCS has a seal and symbol:

II. AIMS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE CCS

Article 5

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

Article 6

The CCS conducts the following activities in order to achieve its aims:

- Stimulates creativity and applies scientific achievements in practical and expert work in all forms of cartographic activity
- Supports and publishes cartographic and related publications according to special regulations
- Establishes and takes charge of collections of maps, plans, books, photographs and other publications

- Communicates with similar institutions in Croatia and abroad
- Evaluates the 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
- Presents awards and acknowledgements
- Conducts training and specialized courses for 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 who supports the activities of the Society can become a regular member.

Regular members who have been members of the CCS for at least 10 years before retirement maintain regular member status and are exempt from paying membership fees.

Especially worthy individuals or legal persons can become honorary members of the CCS, as decided by the Assembly.

A foreigner can also become a member of the CCS, under the same conditions as a citizen of the Republic of Croatia.

The CCS secretary registers CCS members.

Article 8

Members are issued with a membership card, the form and content of which are determined by the Presidency.

Article 9

The rights and obligations of regular members include:

- Advocating the realization of CCS programme goals and tasks
- Paying membership fees
- Proposing and voting for the members of CCS bodies
- Participating in activities organized by the CCS
- Accepting tasks entrusted to them by CCS bodies
- Respecting general moral norms and preserving the CCS's reputation
- Leaving the CCS.

All members are equal with regard to rights and obligations.

Article 10

Membership of the CCS ceases by:

- Submitting a written statement regarding leaving the CCS
- Deletion from the register
- Expulsion from the CCS due to violations of the Statute, endangering the integrity of the CCS, hindering its tasks, violating ethical norms, or damaging the reputation of the CCS
- The cessation of the CCS

The decision to expel a member of the CCS is made on the basis of a majority vote, and the decision is final.

IV. SOCIETY BODIES

Article 11

The CCS bodies include:

- The Assembly
- The Presidency
- The President
- The Supervisory Board
- The Secretary
- The Court of Honour

Article 12

The term of office for all bodies is two years

a) *The Assembly*

Article 13

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

Article 14

The CCS Assembly has following rights, obligations and responsibilities. It

- Adopts the CCS Statute, changes and amendments to the Statute, as well as other CCS regulations
- Accepts the CCS programme 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 the 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 more frequently if necessary. An elective assembly is held every two years.

Article 16

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

The CCS Presidency determines the location, time and agenda.

The Presidency is obliged to convene an Assembly if requested by at least one-third of the Assembly's members or the Supervisory Board. The request must include a proposed agenda.

If the Presidency fails to organize an Assembly within 15 days of receiving a request, it shall be organized by the proposer (the decision must contain a proposal for the agenda and the 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 carried on the basis of a simple majority vote by members present.

Article 17

The Assembly can dissolve bodies it elects prior to the expiry of their term of office if they exceed their authority, or fail to carry out their obligations.

b) The Presidency

Article 18

The President and eight Vice-Presidents form the Presidency.

Article 19

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

Article 20

The Presidency:

- Proposes the Statute, its changes and amendments
- Adopts the annual programme of the CCS
- Determines and adopts the budget of the CCS
- Compiles the annual financial statement
- Executes decisions and conclusions of the Assembly
- Proposes to the Assembly certain activities not in the program, but which are subsequently determined necessary
- Manages the CCS property
- Appoints the CCS Secretary
- Proposes the adoption of corresponding regulations to the Assembly
- Proposes membership fees
- Organizes the Assembly, proposes the agenda and prepares all materials discussed by the Assembly
- Decides on changing the address of the CCS headquarters.

Article 21

The Presidency carries out its work and makes its decisions in sessions.

The Presidency meets when necessary, but at least once every three months. More than half of its members are required for its work and decision-making to be valid, except when determining proposals regarding the Statute, programme, budget and annual financial statement, which require a two-thirds majority of the Presidency members. Decisions are made based on a majority vote by members present.

c) The President

Article 22

Along with the executive manager of the CCS, the President represents the CCS in Croatia and abroad.

The President takes charge of 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 a deputy.

d) The 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 a chairperson among themselves who manages the Board. The Supervisory Board works in sessions. At least three of its members must be 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:

- The execution of the Statute's regulations and other CCS regulations
- The execution of the rights and obligations of the Presidency and legality of CCS activities
- The material, financial business and regularity of CCS assets management
- The realization of decisions, conclusions and other legal acts
- Other works entrusted to it by the Assembly

The Supervisory Board can ask the President to organize a session of the Assembly.

Article 25

The chairperson of the Supervisory Board regularly participates in sessions of the Presidency without the right to vote.

The Supervisory Board is responsible to the Assembly.

e) The Secretary

Article 26

The function of the Secretary is to carry out administrative-technical and financial-accounting work on behalf of the CCS.

Article 27

The Secretary is the bearer of expert work for CCS bodies.

The Secretary is responsible for managing the register of members and keeping all administrative regulations and CCS documentation.

The Secretary is nominated by the Presidency and is responsible to it.

The Secretary can be any person who meets the following conditions in addition to those regulated by law:

- Is a member of CCS
- Has knowledge of at least one major foreign language.

If the Secretary does not meet the CCS requirements, the Presidency dismisses him or her before the term of office ends.

f) The Court of Honour

Article 28

The Court of Honour consists of three members, who choose a chairperson among themselves. The Court resolves issues within the CCS. The Court's chairperson organizes its sessions.

The Court holds sessions in full complement, and decisions are made by a majority vote. The Court's decisions are confirmed by the Assembly. The sessions and votes of the Court of Honour are secret.

V. PUBLISHING ACTIVITIES

Article 29

The CCS organizes the publication of expert, scientific, ongoing and occasional publications and periodicals. The organization and means of publishing activities are based on

the provisions of the Public Information Act, the Publishing Activities Act and other regulations.

VI. ASSETS AND ASSETS MANAGEMENT

Article 30

The CCS acquires financial resources from membership fees, sponsorship, holding scientific and expert conferences, and contributions and donations by natural and legal persons in accordance with the law.

Article 31

CCS assets also include rights recorded in registers.

Article 32

The CCS manages assets in accordance with regulations on the material and financial business of non-profit organizations.

The financial business of the CCS is based on the annual financial plan adopted by the Presidency.

The annual financial statement is compiled at the end of the year for which the financial plan was made.

The Presidency decides on managing CCS assets.

VII. PUBLIC WORK OF THE CCS

Article 33

The work of the CCS is public. This is ensured by means of public and internal information dissemination.

The CCS notifies the public about its work via its publications and journals, by holding scientific and expert conferences, and by 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 contribute significantly to the development and reputation of the CCS. The Assembly decides on these awards and acknowledgments.

Article 35

The Presidency supports or promotes 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 members present.

Changes and amendments to the Statute are adopted in the same way as the Statute was adopted.

Article 37

The CCS shall cease to exist:

- If the Assembly so decides by a two-thirds majority vote of members present
- If the competent administrative body so decides
- 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.

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