

Pursuant to Article 10a of the Act Amending the Higher Education Act (OG RS No 64/08) and pursuant to Article 37 of the Euro-Mediterranean University Memorandum of Association, as well as in accordance with the Foundation Charter of the Euro-Mediterranean University and the Joint Declaration of the Paris Summit for the Mediterranean (Paris, 13 July 2008), on 26 November 2008, the General Assembly adopted the Statute of the Euro-Mediterranean University. The General Assembly adopted Statute Amendments on 27 November 2010 and on 25 November 2011, which are included in the following reviewed text of the:

STATUTE OF THE EURO-MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

The Euro-Mediterranean University is a University established by means of the Euro-Mediterranean University Memorandum of Association in conformity with the Foundation Charter of the Euro-Mediterranean University (hereinafter referred to as the Letter of Agreement) and pursuant to the Act Amending the Higher Education Act (OG RS, no. 64/08).

The Euro-Mediterranean University (hereinafter referred to as the University) is an international University having its seat in Slovenia.

The founders' rights shall be exercised by the cosignatories of the Letter of Agreement and other members of the General Assembly as provided for in this Statute.

Article 2

The University shall co-operate with higher education, research and other institutions and/or organisations in order to design and implement joint scientific and research

projects, study programmes, exchange of higher education staff, scientific and other experts, students, scientific and professional publications, scientific information, as well as with a view to participating in scientific meetings, symposiums and conferences and conducting other activities in the sphere of higher education.

With regard to the mutual co-operation of the University with higher education, research and other institutions and/or organisations, as well as to the inclusion of the University into international university networks, the University shall conclude bilateral and multilateral agreements, contracts and arrangements, wherein the forms and methods of the mutual co-operation shall be defined in further detail.

Article 3

The primary mission of the Euro-Mediterranean University is to contribute through its activities in the area of higher education and research to the strengthening of the intercultural dialogue in the Euro-Mediterranean region and thus to the consolidation of the Barcelona process which is, in a broader sense, also integrated in the Union for the Mediterranean.

Article 4

The expressions referring to persons in this Statute, written in male grammatical form, shall apply as neutral to both the female and male gender.

II. LEGAL STATUS PROVISIONS

Article 5

Name of the University: Evro-sredozemska univerza.

Abbreviated name of the University: EMUNI univerza.

English name of the University: Euro-Mediterranean University.

Abbreviated English name of the University: EMUNI University.

French name of the University: Université Euro-Méditerranéenne.

Abbreviated French name of the University: Université EMUNI.

The seat of the University is located in the Republic of Slovenia, in Portorož.

The business address of the University is Sončna pot 20, 6320 Portorož. The business address may only be modified by the President of the University.

The Euro-Mediterranean University is a legal entity.

Article 6

The University has two round-shaped seals with 35 mm diameter. The symbol of the University is situated in the centre of the seal, while the rim bears the inscription with the name of the University in:

- Slovenian and English language, and
- Slovenian and French language.

Both seals can be used equivalently.

Article 7

The University has a uniform graphic image, consisting of its own emblem and flag, possibly also of other symbols.

The uniform graphic image shall be regulated by Rules to be adopted by the President of the University.

III. ACTIVITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

Article 8

The University conducts higher education, research and other related activities.

The main activity of the University, according to the regulation of the host country regulating the standard classification of activities (hereinafter referred to as the Regulation), is:

Level code	Category code	Description (Slovenian)	Description	Parent code
5	P85.422	Visokošolsko izobraževanje	Third stage of tertiary education	P85.42

Other activities of the University, according to the Regulation, are:

Level code	Category code	Description (Slovenian)	Description	Parent code
5	M72.110	Raziskovalna in razvojna dejavnost na področju biotehnologije	Research and experimental development on biotechnology	M72.11
5	M72.190	Raziskovalna in razvojna dejavnost na drugih področjih naravoslovja in tehnologije	Other research and experimental development on natural sciences and engineering	M72.19
5	M72.200	Raziskovalna in razvojna dejavnost na področju družboslovja in humanistike	Research and experimental development on social sciences and humanities	M72.20
5	R91.011	Dejavnost knjižnic	Library activities	R91.01
5	J58.110	Izdajanje knjig	Book publishing	J58.11
5	J58.140	Izdajanje revij in druge periodike	Publishing of journals and periodicals	J58.14
5	J58.190	Drugo založništvo	Other publishing activities	J58.19
5	M74.300	Prevajanje in tolmačenje	Translation and interpretation activities	M74.30

5	N77.400	Dajanje pravic uporabe intelektualne lastnine v zakup, razen avtorsko zaščitene del	Leasing of intellectual property and similar products, except copyrighted works	N77.40
5	P85.421	Višješolsko izobraževanje	First and second stages of tertiary education	P85.42
5	P85.520	Izobraževanje, izpopolnjevanje in usposabljanje na področju kulture in umetnosti	Cultural education	P85.52
5	P85.590	Drugje nerazvrščeno izobraževanje, izpopolnjevanje in usposabljanje	Other education n.e.c.	P85.59
5	P85.600	Pomožne dejavnosti za izobraževanje	Educational support activities	P85.60
5	N82.300	Organiziranje razstav, sejmov, srečanj	Organisation of conventions and trade shows	N82.30
5	N82.990	Drugje nerazvrščene spremljajoče dejavnosti za poslovanje	Other business support service activities n.e.c.	N82.99
5	J63.120	Obratovanje spletnih portalov	Web portals	J63.12
5	M73.200	Raziskovanje trga in javnega mnenja	Market research and public opinion polling	M73.20
5	I55.900	Dejavnost dijaških in študentskih domov ter druge nastanitve	Other accommodation	I55.90

Article 9

The University may conduct study activities in any study area classified according to the Isced Classification (Unesco, 1997).

The University may directly organise the implementation of scientific, research and study programmes accredited in compliance with the regulations applying to the area of higher education in the host country.

The University shall directly organise and/or implement study programmes at all academic levels or parts thereof through its partner universities or other accredited higher education, research or other institutions and/or organisations located in the Euro-Mediterranean partner countries.

The University shall conduct research activities in all scientific research areas classified according to the Frascati classification (Unesco, 2002).

The University may also exercise public authority in accordance with the laws.

Article 10

The University shall perform its academic and other activities at its seat or/and at other locations at co-founders institutions (EMUNI academic sites). The EMUNI academic sites shall be determined by the Management Board upon the proposal of the President of the University.

The study programmes may also be implemented at the seats of partner universities and/or of other accredited higher education, research or other institutions and/or organisations from member countries of the Union for the Mediterranean, by whom the study programmes have been accredited.

IV. UNIVERSITY BODIES AND INTERNAL ORGANISATION

Article 11

The bodies of the University are as follows:

- General Assembly,
- Management Board,
- Senate,
- President of the University,

- Vice President for Academic affairs,
- Vice President for Administration and Finance, and
- Student Council.

In every ruling body of the University the citizens of a country should not exceed one third (1/3) of the members as a whole and/or should not exceed one third (1/3) of single parts of the ruling body.

The President and the two Vice Presidents have to be of different nationalities. At least one of them has to be from a non EU country.

Article 12

The manner of chairing the meetings, decision-making, maintaining order at meetings, as well as the contents and form of the minutes and other issues shall be defined in further detail by the University bodies in their Rules of Procedure.

The bodies shall be constituted when at least one half of their members are appointed.

Article 13

The members of the bodies, of their permanent or ad hoc commissions or other working bodies may be entitled to receive a reimbursement of any indispensable costs (e.g. travel costs) incurred in relation to their work.

The amount of the attendance fee and/or the expenses shall be decided on by the Management Board upon proposal of the President.

The General Assembly

Article 14

Every cosignatory of the Letter of Agreement shall have one representative to the General Assembly. Higher education, research and other institutions and/or organisations, who have applied for membership with the Secretariat and whose

membership has been approved by the General Assembly will also be entitled to appoint each one representative to the General Assembly.

The procedure for the appointment of new members, their withdrawal and possible exclusion shall be regulated by the General Assembly with special rules.

The University Statute, as well as any amendments thereto shall have to be approved by the General Assembly.

The General Assembly shall also endorse the University' s long-term development programme, as well as discuss the annual academic reports adopted by the Management Board of the University.

At each General Assembly session its members shall appoint two representatives who will co-chair and preside over the next Assembly meeting. Of these two representatives only one may be from an EU country.

Article 15

The General Assembly can appoint permanent or ad hoc commissions or other working bodies in order to prepare statements, opinions and proposals, or to carry out tasks or assignments of a demanding, comprehensive or periodic nature.

In its decision on appointing the commissions or other working bodies, the General Assembly shall define the areas, contents, deadlines and responsibilities applying to their work, as well as appoint their presidents and, if necessary, their deputies.

The commissions and other working bodies shall be accountable to the General Assembly for their work.

Article 16

The General Assembly shall be convened by the Secretariat as the need arises. However, as a rule it shall be summoned once a year, i.e. in November, by taking into consideration the Register of the signatories of the Charter, i.e. of all parties exercising their founders' rights, as well as of the members of the General Assembly, which is kept by the Euro-Mediterranean University.

The meeting shall be deemed to have a quorum if attended by one third of the General Assembly members and shall pass resolutions by a majority vote of the members present.

Management Board

Article 17

The Management Board is a University management body.

The Management Board shall be constituted by:

- five (5) representatives of the founding members
- two (2) representatives of the university employees
- three (3) representatives of the international interested public,
- the Secretary General of the Union for the Mediterranean or a delegate of his,
- a representative of Government(s) that host(s) and substantially subsidize(s) an EMUNI seat and
- one (1) representative of the students.

The term of office of the Management Board members shall be four years, except for the representative of the students, whose term of office shall be two years.

The representatives of the founding members shall be appointed by the General Assembly from among all parties exercising their founders' rights, whereby as a rule three members thereof shall be appointed from among the members of the Senate.

The two representatives of the employees shall be appointed by the University employees; whereby one shall represent the non-pedagogical and the other one the academic staff. The President of the University shall have to determine the corresponding appointing procedure by means of special rules.

The representatives of the international interested public shall be appointed by the Euro-Mediterranean University Foundation.

The representative of the students shall be nominated by the Student Council. The nomination procedure shall be determined by means of special rules. These rules shall be submitted to the Management Board for approval.

The Management Board shall be deemed as constituted, if more than half of its members have been appointed, i.e. elected.

The members of the Management Board shall appoint a Chair and his Co-chair from among themselves.

The President of the University shall attend the sessions of the Management Board but shall hold no voting rights therein.

The first session of the Management Board shall be convened by the President of the University.

Article 18

The Management Board shall be responsible for:

1. adopting the annual work programme and the University development programme and monitoring their implementation,
2. adopting the financial plan and the annual report,
3. adopting the Statute of the University and its amendments jointly with the Senate,
4. appointing and dismissing the President of the University,
5. submitting proposals and opinions on different individual issues to the General Assembly,
6. giving opinions on different issues upon request,
7. adopting decisions on tuition fees and study subscriptions,
8. adopting the Rules of Procedure for its work,
9. adopting other decisions related to the management of the University,
10. appointing representatives of the University into the Management Board of the EMUNI Foundation,
11. performing other tasks in compliance with the regulations.

Article 19

As a rule the Management Board meetings shall be convened by the Secretariat three times a year, i.e. in February, June and November, upon motion of the President of the University or of one third of the members of the General Assembly.

The meeting shall be deemed to have a quorum if the majority of the Management Board members are present and shall pass resolutions by a majority vote of the members present.

Senate

Article 20

The Senate is the expert academic body of the University, which is mainly responsible for study programme activities.

The Senate shall be constituted of twenty-five (25) members, including the President of the University, whereof five (5) shall be representatives of the students. Non students' members shall be appointed by the Management Board, whereby every member of the General Assembly shall have the right to propose one candidate and the Management Board shall endorse sixteen (16) members from among the proposed candidates. The composition of the senate may take into consideration the study areas and scientific disciplines, as well as guarantee the representation of all members of the Union for the Mediterranean, thus realizing the mission of the University. The Management Board will elect three of its members to represent it on the Senate from the representatives of the founding members.

The term of office of the Senate members shall be four years, whereas the term of office for the representatives of the students shall be two years.

The University Senate shall be chaired by the President of the University.

Article 21

The Senate shall:

1. Adopt study programmes,

2. Decide which study programmes will be organised and/or implemented by the University,
3. Adopt scientific research programmes,
4. Adopt criteria and procedures for the appointing, i.e. awarding of academic titles, to higher education teachers, scientific experts and higher education associates,
5. Adopt the Statute of the University and the amendments thereto jointly with the Management Board,
6. Discuss the work programme and the University development programme and monitor their implementation,
7. Participate in the selection of the President of the University with the Management Board,
8. Perform other tasks in accordance with the regulations and other University Acts.

Article 22

The Senate can appoint experts and commissions or other working groups in order to prepare statements, opinions and proposals, or to carry out tasks or assignments of a demanding, comprehensive or periodic nature.

Higher education teachers, scientific experts and higher education associates shall be appointed i.e. awarded the corresponding academic titles by a special commission of the Senate.

Article 23

As a rule the Senate sessions shall be convened by the President of the University three times a year, i.e. in February, June and November.

The session shall be deemed to have a quorum, if the majority of the Senate members are present. If the majority of the Senate members are not present, the beginning of the session shall be adjourned for 30 minutes. After the expiry of this adjournment, the session will be held, provided that at least eight (8) members are present.

The Senate shall pass resolutions by a majority vote of the members present

President of the University

Article 24

The President is the management and expert body of the University, as well as its legal representative.

The President is selected by a Search commission of six members composed of three members appointed by the Senate and three members appointed by the Management Board. The President is nominated and dismissed by the Management Board.

The term of office of the President of the University shall be five (5) years and it shall be renewable once.

If the new President of the University is not appointed prior to the expiry of the term of office of the current President of University or in case of early termination of the term of office of the current President of the University, the Management Board shall appoint an acting President for a period not exceeding one year.

The President of the University shall have to meet the following requirements:

1. hold the citizenship of one of the Member States of the Union for the Mediterranean,
2. hold a research doctorate,
3. have a distinguished record of experience gathered in educational and research activities in higher education,
4. have a distinguished record of experience in the area of inter-institutional academic co-operation in the Union for the Mediterranean,
5. have organisational and managerial skills,
6. be able to speak English or French , as well as one additional language of a Member State of the Union for the Mediterranean.

Article 25

A contract of employment for a fixed term of employment may be concluded with the President of the University for the duration of his term of office.

The wording of the contract of employment shall be drawn up by the Secretariat and it shall be harmonised and signed on behalf of the University by the President of the Management Board.

Article 26

The President of the University may be dismissed prior to the expiry of his term of office.

The Management Board shall be bound to relieve the President of the University from his office:

- on demand of the President of the University himself;
- in case that any of the reasons arise, due to which pursuant to the employment relationship regulations the employment relationship is terminated according to the law of the host country;
- if in his work the President of the University does not abide by the regulations and general acts of the University and/or does not implement the decisions of the University' s bodies or contravenes such decisions unfoundedly;
- if the President of the University causes major damage to the University with his reckless or incorrect work, or if he performs his tasks negligently or carelessly, due to which major disturbances in the performance of the University activities arise or could arise.

Prior to adopting the resolution on relieving the President of the University from his office, the Management Board shall have to notify the President in writing of the reasons for the dismissal and give him the opportunity to state his position thereon.

Article 27

The President of the University shall:

1. organise and direct the work and the business operations , as well as represent and act on behalf of the University;
2. be responsible for the legality and competent performance of work, and for the business results;

3. direct the expert work of the University;
4. adopt general acts of the University, the adoption of which does not fall into the sphere of competence of other University bodies;
5. be in charge of preparing the materials necessary for the operation of other University bodies;
6. be in charge of implementing the decisions of other University' s bodies;
7. draw up the proposal of the University Development Programme;
8. draw up the proposal of the annual work programme including the employment plan and be in charge of its implementation;
9. draw up the proposal of the University' s annual report and/or other financial reports;
10. adopt the classification of employment positions;
11. issue individual acts and carry out individual measures;
12. be responsible for the monitoring, assessing and assuring of quality (self-evaluation of the University);
13. suggest the business policy and the measures for its implementation;
14. decide on issues of economic and material nature and provide for the undisturbed operations of the University, in conformity with the adopted University Development Programme and its annual work programmes,
15. decide on the rights, obligations and responsibilities of the University' s employees;
16. perform other tasks in compliance with the regulations and the provisions of the University acts.

Article 28

The President of the University shall be entered into the Court Register as the representative of the University and shall represent it without limitations.

The Vice President for Academic Affairs may also serve as acting President during the vacancy in that office or when the President is absent for prolonged periods.

Article 29

The President of the University shall be accountable to the Management Board.

Vice Presidents of the University

Article 30

The President is supported in his duties and responsibilities by a Vice President for Academic Affairs and a Vice President for Administration and Finance.

The Vice President for Academic Affairs is appointed and dismissed by the Senate and the Vice President for Administration and Finance by the Management Board, both with the consensus of the President.

The Vice President for Academic Affairs shall have to meet the following requirements:

1. hold the citizenship of one of the Member States of the Union for the Mediterranean,
2. hold a research doctorate,
3. have a distinguished record of experience gathered in educational and research activities in higher education,
4. have a distinguished record of experience in the area of inter-institutional academic co-operation in the Union for the Mediterranean,
5. be able to speak English or French, as well as one additional language of a Member State of the Union for the Mediterranean.

The Vice President for Administrative and Finance shall have to meet the following requirements:

1. hold the citizenship of one of the Member States of the Union for the Mediterranean,
2. hold at least a university degree or a degree of the second Bologna cycle,
3. knowledge on Acts, especially in Higher Education, Research, Finance, Human Resources/Employees, etc. in the Country, where the seat of the University is situated,
4. have a distinguished record of experience in the area of international co-operation,
5. have organisational and managerial skills,

6. be able to speak English or French, as well as one additional language of a Member State of the Union for the Mediterranean.

The Student Council

Article 31

The student body, made up of all students enrolled in study programmes organized and/or implemented by the University, shall elect five (5) members which shall constitute the Student Council. The Student Council shall nominate a president from among its members.

The duration of the term of office of the Student Council members shall be two (2) years.

The constitution and mission of the Student Council; the procedure for the election of its members; and its internal working procedures shall be defined by the Student Council. The Student Council shall be independent in its policy and decision making.

From among its members and/or from among other students enrolled in study programmes organized and/or implemented by the University, the Student Council shall nominate representatives of the students to the Management Board and the Senate as long as they are enrolled as students in study programmes organized and/or implemented by the University.

Article 32

The Student Council sessions shall be convened by the Secretariat upon proposal of the President of the Student Council.

The session shall be deemed to have a quorum if the majority of the Student Council members are present and shall pass resolutions by a majority vote of the members present.

Internal organisation

Article 33

As a rule the University shall be constituted of the following organisational units:

1. Education/Curriculum/Study Programmes Unit,
2. Research Unit,
3. International Co-operation Unit,
4. ICT Unit with the Library,
5. Secretariat,
6. the office of the President of the University

Upon consent of the Management Board the President of the University can determine other internal organisational units.

Article 34

The University' s organisational, technical and administrative tasks are performed by the Secretariat.

Article 35

The Education/Curriculum/Study Programmes Unit, the Research Unit, the International Co-operation Unit and the ICT Unit with the Library are led by the corresponding Heads, while the Office of the President of the University is led by its Chief. The Unit Heads and the Chief of the President' s Office are appointed and dismissed by the President of the University.

The Unit Heads and the Chief of the Office organise and conduct the work of their internal organisational units in accordance with the annual work programme.

V. ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

Article 36

The University shall organise and/or implement primarily those study programmes or courses, which have been accredited in the countries of origin of the signatories to the Letter of Agreement, i.e. the parties exercising their founders' rights pursuant to this Statute, as well as its study programmes. The University may also implement parts of study programmes leading to a degree.

The study programmes or courses implemented by the University shall be programmes leading to a degree, as well as professional upgrading programmes.

The University's own programmes leading to a degree and the professional upgrading programmes shall be adopted by the Senate.

Article 37

In implementing study programmes the University shall co-operate with higher education, research or other institutions and/or organisations, whose degrees confer a publicly recognized level of education, as well as a publicly recognized study title in the country of accreditation and which fulfil other conditions set forth in the regulations applying to higher education in the host country.

Article 38

The study programmes can be delivered as full-time, part-time or distance learning courses.

Article 39

Within an organized University curriculum study programmes as a rule are delivered as full-time courses.

The University curriculum can be also organised in a part time mode when the nature of the study programmes allow for such an implementation without prejudicing to its quality.

Distance learning courses are one of the possible forms of studies.

Part-time courses shall cover the same contents and be subject to the same requirements as the full-time study programmes.

Article 40

The study programmes leading to a degree to be adopted by the University are the following:

- a) first cycle study programmes comprising 180 to 240 ECTS credits,
- b) second cycle study programmes comprising 60 to 120 ECTS credits,
- c) third cycle study programmes comprising 180 ECTS credits.

Article 41

Professional upgrading study programmes represent a form of lifelong learning and are primarily intended to provide upgrading, complementing, deepening and updating of knowledge. The credits obtained in these courses can also be recognized within study programmes leading to a degree.

In addition to the programmes referred to in the preceding paragraph, the University may also organise and implement different forms of non-formal learning, such as short courses, summer schools, e-learning, internships , training programmes, etc.

Article 42

Study programmes leading to a degree to be adopted by the University shall be designed according to the principles on the establishing of the European higher education area in order to thus be comparable with other university programmes in the Union for the Mediterranean.

The study programmes leading to a degree to be adopted by the University shall have the following mandatory elements:

1. general information on the programme (title, level, i.e. cycle, type, duration),
2. definition of the essential objectives of the programme, i.e. of the general- and subject-specific competences to be acquired in the programme,
3. information on the international comparability of the programme,
4. information on the international co-operation carried out by the University,
5. a syllabus specifying the study requirements evaluated according to the European Credit Transfer System (hereinafter referred to as the ECTS) and the extent of electivity within the programme,
6. enrolment criteria and selection criteria in case of limited enrolment,
7. criteria for recognition of knowledge and skills acquired prior to enrolling into the programme,
8. forms of assessment,
9. criteria for advancement within the programme,
10. criteria for transfers between programmes,
11. mode of study,
12. requirements for completing the studies,
13. requirements for completing individual parts of the programme if the programme contains such parts,
14. the academic title conferred.

Doctoral study programmes shall provide the foundation for drawing up individual study- and research programmes for individual students. In the doctoral study programme the mandatory elements indicated in the above paragraph are defined *mutatis mutandi*, with the exception of the elements mentioned in the eighth, eleventh, thirteenth and fourteenth indent. These will be included in the programme upon the corresponding decision of the Senate. The syllabus shall define the thematic areas and the study requirements expressed in ECTS credits which can be allocated to the study and research programme of an individual student (team-work studies, team- or individual research work). The organised forms of study within a doctoral study programme amount to a minimum of 60 ECTS credits. Within the doctoral study programme the academic title to be conferred is also defined.

Study programmes leading to a degree can also include other elements to be defined by the Senate.

Article 43

The mandatory elements of the professional upgrading programmes shall be the following:

1. general information on the programme (title, type, duration),
2. definition of the essential objectives of the programme, i.e. of the general- and subject-specific competences to be acquired in the programme,
3. a syllabus specifying the study requirements evaluated according to the ECTS and the extent of electivity within the programme,
4. enrolment criteria and selection criteria in case of limited enrolment,
5. criteria for recognition of knowledge and skills acquired prior to enrolling into the programme,
6. forms of assessment,
7. criteria for advancement within the programme,
8. mode of study,
9. requirements for completing the studies.

The professional upgrading study programmes can also include other elements to be defined by the Senate.

Article 44

A candidate who has completed all obligations specified in his study programme leading to a degree shall be conferred a degree certificate which is an authentic instrument.

The candidate who has completed all obligations specified in his professional upgrading study programme or pertaining to a part of a study programme leading to a degree shall be issued a certificate which is an authentic instrument.

A candidate, who has completed all obligations applying to a joint study programmes leading to a degree, shall obtain a publicly recognized education and shall be issued a joint degree certificate, in which all Universities participating in the implementation of the study programme are listed. The joint degree certificate is an authentic instrument. The contents and form of the joint degree and of the Diploma Supplement shall be defined by the participating Universities.

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VI. QUALITY

Article 45

The procedures for quality assessment and assurance within the University and its academic and scientific research programmes and/or scientific research work (hereinafter referred to as the Quality) shall be adopted by the Senate.

The University shall perform ongoing quality evaluations (i.e. self-evaluation). In this respect detailed rules shall be adopted by the Senate.

The findings of the self-evaluation reports shall be taken into consideration for the purpose of improving the University' s performance, as well as amending and modifying academic and scientific research programmes.

Article 46

The University shall also apply for evaluation procedures carried out by international institutions, i.e. quality agencies (i.e. for external evaluation).

Internal and external quality assurance criteria which are recognised by ENQA (the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education) and EQAR (the European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education) and apply to the programmes of the University and its structures shall have to be adopted by the University.

VII. HIGHER EDUCATION TEACHERS, SCIENTIFIC EXPERTS AND HIGHER EDUCATION ASSOCIATES

Article 47

Higher education teachers, scientific experts and higher education associates (hereinafter referred to as the Academic staff) are autonomous in their work.

Their rights, which are inseparably linked to academic freedom, shall comprise:

1. conveying knowledge in a professional and independent way and when applying standards and teaching methods only have to comply with professional principles which also include professional responsibility and intellectual rigorousness. Nobody should be forced to teach contrary to their belief and conscience and/or to implement programmes and apply methods which violate nationally- or internationally recognised human rights;
2. researching without any interference or pressure,
3. working in accordance with their professional responsibility, national and international principles on intellectual rigorousness, scientific studies and research ethics.
4. publishing and notifying the outcomes of their research work.

The duties of the academic staff, which are inseparably linked to academic freedom, shall be the following:

1. to ensure high quality and effective teaching in compliance with the rules of the University; to provide for equal and fair treatment of the students regardless of gender, race or ethnic origin and religious beliefs, as well as regardless of their possible disability; to encourage the exchange of ideas between academic staff and students, as well as availability for consulting and support in studies; to ensure that at least a minimum of the required contents prescribed for each subject is delivered to the students;
2. to research and provide for the dissemination of the results of their research, and where research is not obligatory, acquire and upgrade their knowledge through constant academic work, by developing teaching methods and improving their pedagogical skills;
3. to research and undertake further education, as well as to search for knowledge; whereby one shall have to rely upon evidence, as well as to assess and report objectively;

4. to respect the ethics of research work with respect to fellow men, animals, heritage and/or environment;
5. to respect and recognize the academic work of their colleagues and students, especially in regard of authorship of the work published and responsibility for the contents of that work;
6. not to abuse information and data obtained from confidential manuscripts, applications for research funding and/or funding for training, or in the course of other supervisory activities, unless the author has expressly given his consent thereto;
7. to conduct research activities in accordance with the rules and regulations of higher education, research or other institutions and/or organisations, at which it is carried out, as well as in accordance with the principles and international standards on human rights; the outcomes of such research work and the data on which it is based should be available to the academic staff of the university, unless publishing a person' s name could endanger such person or anonymity has been promised;
8. to avoid any conflict of interest or conflict that could be perceived as conflict of interest; in case this occurs, the conflict is to be reported in writing to the University and settled upon having consulted the University;
9. to responsibly use the funds granted to the University for research or work in professional or scientific bodies;
10. to maintain a professional approach in assessing colleagues and/or students;
11. to assume the responsibility not to mislead the public when conveying information or writing about matters not related to professional work outside the University;
12. to undertake tasks relating to the managing of the University and its professional bodies.

Article 48

All vacancies for academic staff positions shall be announced internationally, i.e. as a rule on the University' s web page.

VIII. FINANCING AND THE FUNDS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Article 49

As a rule the University shall obtain the funding for conducting its activities from all or any of the following:

- the EMUNI Foundation,
- international organisations,
- a separate budget heading under the budget of the Republic of Slovenia,
- the European Union budget and the budgets of its institutions and bodies,
- tuition fees and other study contributions,
- payments for the services performed,
- grants, inheritance, donations,
- and other sources.

Article 50

The University shall manage and have the power of disposal over the assets used for the performance of its activities, in accordance with the purpose for which said assets were obtained.

Following a proposal of the President of the University and upon having obtained the consent of the Management Board the University may dispose of or encumber real property acquired with the funds of the EMUNI Foundation. To this purpose the University shall have to obtain the consent of the EMUNI Foundation.

The funds obtained through the sales of the real estate property referred to in the previous paragraph of this Article may be used for investments, investment maintenance and equipment.

The University shall manage and have the power of disposal over real estate property obtained from other sources in accordance with the purpose for which it was obtained.

IX. LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

Article 51

The University shall directly organise and/or deliver its study programmes in the language of one of the member states of the Union for the Mediterranean. In this respect it shall have to ensure the compliance with the corresponding quality standards in such language. .

X. STUDENTS

Article 52

The Academic Calendar, enrolment procedures, examination regime, requirements for advancement including the conditions for accelerated advancement, completion of the studies, transfers between programmes, re-enrolment and/or conditional enrolment, continuation of studies following a suspension, parallel and separate studies shall be regulated by means of the corresponding regulations adopted by the Senate, as well as in accordance with the study programmes.

Article 53

Recognition of exams and other study obligations fulfilled at various higher education institutions and other matters of relevance for the students shall be regulated by a separate set of Rules, to be adopted by the Senate.

Article 54

The rights, obligations and responsibilities of the students shall be decided on upon having considered *mutatis mutandi* the provisions governing the administrative procedure in the host country.

Written decisions and resolutions shall be issued to students in the Slovenian, English or French language.

Appeal may be lodged against such decisions and/or resolutions in accordance with the corresponding Rules adopted by the Senate.

Article 55

Liability to disciplinary action applying to students shall be regulated by the corresponding Rules adopted by the Senate. Prior to the adoption of such Rules the Senate shall have to obtain the opinion of the Student Council.

XI. REGISTERS

Article 56

The University shall keep registers with personal data of the students, as well as registers with personal data of the employees, in compliance with the regulations.

Article 57

The safeguarding of personal data shall include rights, methods and measures by means of which the University shall in the course of collecting, processing, storing and transmitting personal data, as well as of their use, prevent unlawful and unjustified intrusion into a person' s integrity, as well as into his personal and family life.

Protection of personal data shall include legal, organisational, as well as other corresponding procedures, measures and responsibilities, by means of which the University shall prevent unauthorized and unregistered access to premises, hardware and software, incidental or deliberate destruction of data, their alteration or loss, as well as the unauthorised access to, processing and transmission of these data and their use.

Article 58

By means of a special general act the protection of personal data contained in the databases handled by the University, their protection, the rights of individuals and limitations of rights, removal of personal data, protection of hardware and of programme products and their control may be regulated.

Article 59

Information, data and documents regarding the business operations of the University, as well as personal data of the University employees shall be regarded as confidential.

By means of a written decision the President of the University may define more in detail which type of work, individual actions, data, documents, information or jobs shall not be accessible to the public, i.e. are to be considered confidential.

Article 60

In addition to the matters defined as confidential, the employees of the University shall also have to hold confidential any information, documents and data which are categorised as such by the competent body and/or any data which is classified as confidential by law or other regulations.

X. TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 61

Until the Rules mentioned in the second paragraph of Article 14 hereof are adopted, the higher education, research and other institution and/or organisations, which have appointed their members to the General Assembly, may withdraw their accession to the University in writing.

Article 62

By applying mutatis mutandi the provisions of the last paragraph of Article 14 hereof the EMUNI Centre shall appoint the person who will chair the first meeting of the General Assembly until the co-chairs of the General Assembly are elected.

Article 63

Notwithstanding the provisions of the third paragraph of Article 14 hereof, as well as point 3 of Article 18 hereof and point 5 of the Article 21 hereof the General Assembly shall adopt this Statute on occasion of its constitutional session.

Article 64

The Management Board and the Senate shall have to be constituted no later than within six months as of the enforcement of the Euro-Mediterranean University Memorandum of Association; whereas the Student Council shall have to be constituted no later than within three months as of the commencement of the study programmes implementation.

Article 65

Until the constitution of the Senate according to the second paragraph of Article 20 hereof its tasks shall be performed by the Provisional Senate appointed by the EMUNI Centre on 8 July 2008 pursuant to the Letter of Agreement .

Article 66

Notwithstanding paragraph three of Article 22 hereof, the term of office of half of the members of the first Senate shall be prolonged by two years. This provision shall not apply to representatives of the students in the Senate.

The members of the first Senate whose terms of office shall be prolonged in accordance with the above paragraph shall be defined by drawing lots.

Article 67

Notwithstanding point 4 of Article 18 and point 7 of Article 21 hereof the General Assembly shall appoint the first President of the University upon motion of the Provisional Senate.

The President of the University shall have to immediately perform all actions necessary for the commencement of the University' s operations, as well as for constituting its bodies.

Article 68

The Senate shall have to adopt the regulations specified in Article 53 and the Rules mentioned in Article 54 hereof, whereas the University shall have to publish them prior to the commencement of the enrolment procedure for the study programmes of the University.

Article 69

Articles of this Statute may be changed by the General Assembly. Proposals for amendments of the Statute must be sent to an ad hoc Commission appointed by the Management Board. The Commission is responsible for the publication of the proposals on the EMUNI web site at least 60 days before the General Assembly in order to allow a preliminary and informal debate. The Commission will submit the proposals endorsed by at least five founders to the General Assembly, with a report on the debate. The approval of the amendments by the General Assembly requires the majority of two thirds of those present.

Article 70

The President is responsible for ensuring that elections for the Management Board and for the Student Council are held. He determines the deadlines for the elections and is responsible for planning and holding elections.

Every four years the Management Board appoints an Election Committee composed by five representatives from the founding members of the EMUNI, one of the staff and one of the students, for determining the detailed rules for elections.

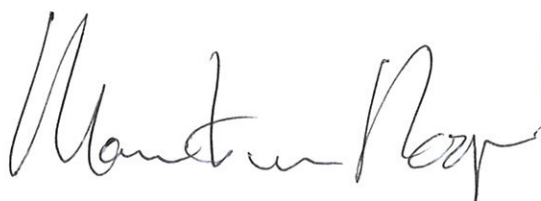
Article 71

The rules of election of the President enter into force after the expiration of the mandate of the first President.

Article 72

This Statute shall come into force on the day following its adoption. It shall be published on the web page of the University.

The General Assembly
Co-Chairs



Maurits Van Rooijen



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25 de junho de 2012