

Constitutive Act

International Master in Public Procurement Management Alumni Association

We, the Alumni of the International Master in Public Procurement Management,

INSPIRED by the mandate of the International Master in Public Procurement Management sponsored by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development;

CONSIDERING the importance of building interdisciplinary capacity in public procurement management;

FURTHER CONSIDERING the importance of creating a network of procurement professionals and promote mutual assistance;

RECALLING the procurement principles of non-discrimination, equal treatment, transparency, competition, proportionality, and value-for-money;

DETERMINED to support the development of countries and public institutions around the world through the diffusion of best procurement practices and the fight against corruption;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Establishment

The Association named the “International Master in Public Procurement Management Alumni Association”, abbreviated as “IMPPM Alumni” (“the Association”), is established in Rome with its registered office in Via Columbia, 2, c/o Segreteria International Master in Public Procurement Management, University of Rome Tor Vergata, 00133, Rome, Italy in accordance with Article 18 of the Constitution and Article 36 et seq. of the Civil Code of the Republic of Italy.

The Association is a non-profit, non-political, non-sectarian organization and is established for an indefinite period.

The Association is sponsored by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (hereinafter “EBRD”) which incentivizes the activities of IMPPM and of the Association also by sharing procurement good practices.

The University of Rome Tor Vergata allows the use of the logo in the official events and publications within the limits provided for in the University guidelines. The logo can not to be used for commercial purposes. The use of the logo must be expressly authorized by the Rector in advance and in writing on a case by case basis.

Article 2

Objectives

The main objectives of the Association are (i) to provide an opportunity for procurement professionals to enhance their knowledge and skills in procurement, which will assist them in personal and professional development, and (ii) to foster networking among procurement professionals worldwide.

The Association carries out a broad set of activities both in Italy and internationally, including but not limited to:

- i. Active support to IMPPM;
- ii. Strengthening of procurement network and mutual assistance among its Members;
- iii. Promotion of best practices in public procurement;
- iv. Support to capacity building activities in public procurement;
- v. Organization of periodic workshops on contemporary issues in procurement; and
- vi. Analysis on wide range of public procurement topics and issuing publication.

In pursuing its objectives, the Association shall seek cooperation from its Sponsors and other European and International institutions and/or organizations which contribute to promote knowledge and good practices in the field of procurement.

Article 3

Members

The Association includes the following five membership categories:

- i. Ordinary Members
- ii. Honorary Members
- iii. Permanent Members
- iv. Financing Members
- v. Founding Members

Membership categories are further defined and regulated in the Statute of the Association.

Article 4

Bodies of the Association

The main Bodies of the Association are:

- i. The Assembly
- ii. The Board of Directors
- iii. The Chairman
- iv. The Advisory Board

All positions related to the Bodies of the Association are honorary and without remuneration.

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Article 5

Assembly

The Assembly is composed of Ordinary Members, Honorary Members, Permanent Members and Financing Members.

Article 6

Board of Directors

The Association is directed and administered by a Board of Directors composed of:

- i. The Chairman
- ii. The Treasurer
- iii. Four (4) Councillors
- iv. One (1) IMPPM Representative nominated by the Director of IMPPM (“IMPPM Representative”)

Article 7

Chairman

The Chairman is the legal representative of the Association. He/She promotes and co-ordinates the activities of the Association and ensures that it works well.

The Chairman shall be an Ordinary Member of the Association and its appointment shall correspond to the one of the Board of Directors and of the Advisory Board.

Article 8

Advisory Board

Members of the Advisory Board must have achieved recognition in the professional or academic world.

The Advisory Board operates as an advice-giving entity.

Article 9

Meetings

Each Body of the Association shall meet as often as necessary, in accordance with the provisions of the Statute of the Association and its bylaws.

Article 10

Funds and Administration

The Association funds consist of:

- i. the voluntary membership fees;
- ii. goods and properties purchased by the Association;
- iii. closure of the balance sheet and any surplus;
- iv. disbursements, donations and legacies.

It is forbidden to distribute, even indirectly, profits or surpluses, funds or reserves during the life of the Association unless it is required by the law.

The Association shall not engage in loans to finance its activities. At the end of an accounting period, any surplus of funds shall be carried over to the next period.

The Statute regulates the dissolution of the Association and the liquidation of its funds and assets.

Article 11

Working Language

The working language of the Association shall be English.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE have adopted this Act.

Promulgated in Belgrade, Serbia, on this 27th day of September, 2016.