

Regional Council Bylaws

Article I: Name

The organization will be called the '(name of the region ie Europe, Asia, Africa & Middle East etc) Regional Council of InSEA'. For all practical purposes the acronym or initial letter(s) of the region (ie E, A, AME etc) RC InSEA' shall be used throughout.

Article II: Purpose

The purpose of the Regional Council is to:

- i. collaborate on research and practice to promote art education in the region;
- ii. act on behalf of the International Society for Education through Art in regards to international activities and networks in the countries of the region (list here the countries);
- iii. enhance international relationships among national art education organizations and other InSEA affiliated organizations throughout the region

Article III: Location

The Organization will normally be based at the address of the Chairperson of the Regional Council.

Article IV: Legal Status

The Organization is in all matters closely connected with InSEA. The Organization will act at all times in the best interests of InSEA and will abide by the provisions defined in the Constitution of InSEA.

Article V: Membership

All members of the Organization must be members of InSEA. Membership

of InSEA is divided into three main categories:

- i. Affiliated art education organizations in the region)
- ii. Individual members.
- iii. Members of the World Council representing the region shall be ex-officio members of the Regional Council Executive Board.

Article VI: Regional Council Executive Board

a. The Regional Council Executive Board shall consist of three persons. The Regional Council Executive Board appoints from its own ranks a Chairperson and further functions as necessary.

Members of the World Council, representing the respective region, are ex-officio members of the respective Executive Board.

b. In the Regional Council Executive Board at least three different countries must be represented and no more than two persons from the same country can hold an elected position in the RC Executive Board.

c. The Regional Council Executive Board has the authority to make all final decisions for the Regional Council. Decisions will be reached by a simple-majority vote. The Chairperson shall have a first vote and a second casting vote in the event of a tie.

d. If resignations or vacancies arise the person who had the most votes of people not elected, will succeed.

e. The Regional Council Executive Board may act only on matters that are under the proper jurisdiction of the Regional Council and shall not act on behalf of InSEA.

f. The Chairperson of the Regional Council Executive Board will be an ex-officio member of the World Council. If the Chairperson is unable to attend a meeting of the World Council, they may appoint a deputy to attend a World council meeting on behalf of them.

Article VII: Elections

a. The terms of office of the Executive Board is two years (in alternate years to World Congress). Elected Regional Council Executive Board members may be reappointed for no more than two additional terms of consecutive office.

b. Elections may take place through postal ballot or online, following a procedure in which candidates are made known to all members at least two months before the elections.

c. The number of members of the Executive Board is to be determined by vote of the members of the ERC. Only Members of the ERC who have been members for at least three years can become members of the Executive Board. The Board members are elected by a simple-majority of votes.

d. All members (organizations' representatives and individuals) have one vote.

Article VIII: Finances

a. The Regional Council Executive Board has its own account and can act legally within the limits of the Regional Council Bylaws and in accordance with the InSEA Constitution and bylaws.

b. The Regional Regional Council Executive Board, with the prior approval of the InSEA World Council, is empowered to take initiatives to generate funds for activities related to the goals of InSEA. These funds will go to the Regional Council Executive Board.

c. The Regional Council Executive Board has the freedom to use its funds for activities related to the goals of InSEA and in accordance with the InSEA Constitution and bylaws.

d. The Regional Council Executive Board is not entitled to receive membership payments directly from its members.

Article IX: Meetings

- a. The Regional Council Executive Board will meet at least once each year at a mutually convenient location in the region. If hindered by circumstance, individuals may attend the meeting in the form of a telephone, video, or Internet conference.
- b. After a Regional Council Executive Board meeting, the members shall provide a written report on the content of the meeting to the secretary of InSEA as soon as possible, and must provide the report within two calendar months of the afore mentioned meeting.