

Regulations Governing the Election of Delegates

(Resolution with a condition precedent of the General Assembly held on May 28, 2011)

(Partially amended on October 24, 2013)

The following detailed provisions are established for the election of delegates to be conducted in accordance with the Articles of Association of the IEICE.

Article 1 The election of delegates shall be conducted in accordance with the following provisions in addition to the relevant provisions in the Articles of Association of the IEICE.

(Constitution of the delegates)

Article 2 Delegates comprise those elected from the candidates as selected in accordance with Article 3 in an election by members and those honorary members who were formerly members (hereinafter referred to as “members, etc.”)

(Determination of candidates)

Article 3 Delegate candidates are determined by December from among members, etc. who are responsible for driving the businesses of the IEICE forward based on the following criteria, and with the approval of the candidates themselves:

- (1) Current officers
- (2) Three persons selected by each society
- (3) One person selected by the group chair and the group
- (4) Section chairs
- (5) Three persons selected by each section
- (6) Former officers where no more than two years has elapsed since they left their respective offices
- (7) Others recommended by the board of directors.

2. In addition to the above, delegate candidates can be those who have been members for five years or longer by September 1 each year, and who have applied to become candidates supported by recommendations from five members, etc. They shall be determined by December as stipulated in the article above. The period during which applications are accepted is from October 1 to October 31 (to be received by the IEICE Secretariat by this date). The call for delegate candidates in accordance with this provision shall be announced in the October IEICE bulletin.

(Announcement of delegate candidates)

Article 4 The names and affiliations of the delegate candidates as determined in accordance with the above article shall be announced in February.

(Confirmation of delegate eligibility and selection)

Article 5 The election by members, etc. of delegates from the candidates announced in accordance with the above article shall be held from the day of announcement in February for a period determined by the board of directors. From among those who have received a majority of valid votes approving their candidacy, delegates are

selected in the order of the number of votes received until the fixed number of seats (up to 140) is filled. If multiple candidates have received the same number of votes, the older person(s) shall be selected.

The names and affiliations of the elected delegates shall be announced in April.

2. In preparation for situations where vacancies for delegates arise, the first and second runners-up (hereinafter referred to as “runners-up”) shall be selected. (If multiple runners-up have received the same number of votes, the older person(s) shall be selected.)

(Term of office)

Article 6 The term of office of delegates shall be from April 1 to March 31 of the following year.

If a delegate loses his or her eligibility for membership during his or her term of office for any of the reasons specified in the Articles of Association of the IEICE, he or she also loses his or her eligibility to be a delegate.

(By-election)

Article 7 If a vacancy for a delegate becomes available, it shall not be filled until the next delegate election if the number of remaining delegates is no fewer than 90.

2. If the number of remaining delegates is fewer than 90, the vacancy shall be filled by runners-up. If there are no runners-up remaining, a by-election can be held. Detailed regulations regarding the execution of a by-election shall be determined by the board of directors.
3. The term of office of the delegates selected from runners-up or elected in a by-election shall be the remaining term of office of the former delegates.

(Detailed regulations of the election)

Article 8 A list of candidates shall be created.

2. In the list of candidates, the names of the candidates shall be arranged in the order of the Japanese syllabary. The affiliations of candidates shall be included.

Article 9 The names of the candidates and the order in which they appear on a ballot shall be the same as those of the list of candidates.

Article 10 A ballot shall be sent to each member, etc. during the month of February along with the list of candidates.

Article 11 Voting shall be conducted by secret ballot.

Article 12 A completed ballot shall be sent such that it will arrive at the IEICE Secretariat by the specified date.

Article 13 The auditor shall put the ballots received in order and store them securely in accordance with the above article.

Article 14 Votes shall be counted in the presence of the auditor, a non-director member(s) assigned by the auditor, or an employee(s) of the Secretariat.

Article 15 Votes that fall into one of the following categories are invalid:

- (a) Vote cast without using an official ballot paper.
- (b) Vote where the name of the candidate voted for is illegible.

Article 16 In addition to the above article, if there is any doubt about the validity of a vote, the witness present in accordance with Article 14 shall determine whether the vote is valid or not.

Article 17 Any amendment to or the abolition of these Regulations shall be made by the board of directors.

(Supplementary provisions)

1. These Regulations shall be enforced on the day of the registration of the establishment of the IEICE as a general incorporated association as defined in Article 106 Item 1, which is applied mutatis mutandis in accordance with Article 121 Item 1, of the Law on the Establishment of Relevant Laws as Required by the Enforcement of the Law on General Incorporated Associations and General Incorporated Foundations and the Law on Authorization of Public Interest Incorporated Associations and Public Interest Incorporated Foundations.
2. Before the first delegates are elected in accordance with these Regulations after the registration of establishment of the IEICE as a general incorporated association, delegates shall be determined as follows:
 - (1) A delegate election shall be held in advance in accordance with these Regulations and the Supplementary Article 4 of the Articles of Association of the IEICE. Those elected as prospective delegates shall become the first delegates after these Regulations are enforced.
 - (2) The term of office of the first delegates as defined above shall be from the registration of establishment of the IEICE as a general incorporated association to the first election of delegates held in accordance with these Regulations.
 - (3) Notwithstanding Articles 3, 4, 5, 10, etc., the period, etc. of the delegate election held in advance shall be determined separately by the board of directors and announced. If electronic voting on a website is to take place, the word “ballot” shall be replaced by the words “voting window”, and the words “completed ballot” shall be replaced by the words “voting data, etc.”
3. Notwithstanding the delegate election held in advance, if electronic voting on a website is to take place, the word “ballot” shall be replaced by the words “voting window”, and the words “completed ballot” shall be replaced by the words “voting data, etc.”
4. Transitional measures. In applying for the transition to a general incorporated association, an election shall be held in an expedited manner to elect prospective delegates.

(Supplementary provisions)

1. If electronic voting is to take place, the word “ballot” in Articles 9 and 15 shall be replaced

by the words “voting form”, and the provisions in Articles 10, 12 and 13 shall be implemented as follows:

- (1) Article 10: The voting form shall be disclosed on the relevant website along with the list of candidates.
- (2) Article 12: Voting shall be conducted on the relevant website during the voting period.
- (3) Article 13: The auditor shall put the voting data cast in order and store such data securely in accordance with the above.

2. The amendment adopted on October 24, 2013 shall be enforced on the day of its adoption.