Statute of the GSSI Alumni Association

Article 1 Name and headquarter
The GSSI Alumni Association was established and located in Via F. Crispi 7 in L’Aquila at the Gran Sasso Science Institute.

Article 2 Mission
The Association is a no profit, apolitical, non-party organisation and, in agreement with the Gran Sasso Science Institute, it pursues:

- the maintenance of the cultural connections between the GSSI and its members, including the students, the lecturers and professors, the researchers and the technical-administrative staff;
- the development and consolidation of the relationships between students, researchers at the Institute and the Alumni through the promotion of professional, cultural, scientific and social initiatives and events.

The Association has a cultural character and by the Italian law it is an associazione non riconosciuta and a non-commercial organisation (art.111 T.U.).

Article 3 Members
Former Ph.D. students of any doctoral programme at the GSSI, which is Founding Member, can become Members of the GSSI Alumni Association, as well as former postdoctoral fellows, researchers, visiting researchers/students at the GSSI. The Executive Board may nominate Honorary Members.

Article 4 Revenues of the Association
During the first two years of start-up activities there is no fee for the association membership and the Association will rely on donations and sponsorships for organising activities in the pursuit of its own mission. Afterwards, the Executive Board will define the Association’s financial plan and decide whether introducing a membership fee and what amount annually.

Article 5 Association’s Organisation
The Organisation is composed of the Members’ Assembly, the Executive Board, the President of the Executive Board, the Vice President of the Executive Board and the Secretary. All appointments are voluntary and for free.
The Executive Board is composed of three councillors and is elected by the Assembly. It remains in charge for three years and its councillors are re-eligible. The Board elects the appointments listed above internally.

The President of the Executive Board signs on the behalf of and legally represents the Association. In case of absence or hindrance, the President is substituted by the Vice President. The President and the Vice President are elected for a three-year mandate and are re-eligible.

In case one or more councillors resign, the substitutes will be nominated by co-optation.

The Executive Board meets at least once a year and whenever the President requests a meeting.

The meetings can occur through remote connection and need to be reported on papers, by specifying the agenda and final decisions. The final decisions are voted by a majority and in case of equality, the President’s vote prevails.

The Executive Board convenes the Assembly. The Assembly is convened at least once a year. The Executive Board must convene the Assembly whenever it is requested by at least 15 Members.

The Assembly is either chaired by the President or by the Vice President. The Secretary makes a memorandum.

The Assembly decides in the light of a majority, whatever number of Members participates in the session.

**Article 6 Modifications of the Statute**

The Statute can be modified by means of a modification proposal made by the Executive Board and after a decision is taken by the majority of the participating Assembly.

**Article 7 Termination**

The Assembly can decide to terminate the Association. In case of termination, the remaining resources will be donated to the Gran Sasso Science Institute.

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