

World Intelligence Network (WIN)

Constitutional Statement

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Preamble

To provide a worldwide association for highly intelligent and intellectually capable individuals, we hereby establish this Constitutional Statement (CS) for the World Intelligence Network (WIN). This CS incorporates all revisions and amendments as of 12 January 2008.

Article 1 – Organisation

Section 1. The formal name of this organisation is “World Intelligence Network”. Within this CS and within publications of this organisation, the informal titles “WIN” or “WIN organisation” may be used.

Section 2. The WIN is basically a non-profit organisation operated for exchange of opinions and experiences, and for educational and scientific purposes. However, specific projects with governments, organisations and companies may be commercial if accepted by the WIN Executive Committee (WEC).

Section 3. There is currently no membership fee for individual members, neither to pay towards the WIN organisation nor towards the societies wherein the individual is a member. However, an individual society is free to decide among their members if they wish to implement a membership fee or not (onetime, initial and / or repetitive, voluntary or mandatory). Furthermore, WIN may suggest a voluntary membership fee or voluntary payments in order to cover expenses of the WIN organisation. Full transparency among the WEC shall be granted. Earnings after covered costs shall be used for members activities or may be decided (by voting of all WIN members) to be used for projects or donations.

Section 4. The worldwide headquarters of WIN are at the current mailing address of the President. Communications concerning administrative or business matters shall be directed to the individual addresses of the appropriate officers.

Section 5. The usual communication shall be effected by email, through the WIN-Boards (www.iqsociety.org/boards), the WIN MSN Groups and, as far as specified in individual projects or activities, further communication tools. Besides this, real meetings shall be held and applied as far as possible.

Section 6. Decisions are usually taken through discussions and / or votings in the WIN Boards or during online meetings when needed respectively several times during the year within the specific Committees. The Committee may agree to accept guests participating in the meeting: e. g. WIN members may participate in WEC meetings if the WEC members accept this on an exceptional base, however guests have no voting or decision rights.

Section 7. Votings and elections happen either in the WIN Boards or during the online meetings, e. g. the WEC meetings. At least 3 persons have to participate in votings. During meetings, the majority means over 50%, and two thirds mean over 66% of the people being present and authorized to vote (e. g. in WEC meetings only WEC members can vote). For votings and elections in the WIN Boards, the majority means over 50%, and two thirds mean over 66% of the votes by the authorized persons participating in the votings.

Article 2 – Goals

Section 1. The main goal is to encourage communications, exchange of opinions and experiences among members in all interested topics. Furthermore, communication with interested non-members is encouraged through the WINEST (WIN External Society Thinkers) boards.

Section 2. The WIN organisation and its participating high-IQ-societies are in no way related with or focused on any specific religion, race, nation, culture or political opinion.

Section 3. Members are encouraged to participate and contribute in discussions or projects according to their abilities and interests, without an obligation except if agreed by all concerned parties in specific and time-limited cases.

Article 3 – Members

Section 1. Membership for societies in the WIN organisation is granted to high-IQ-societies being invited by and affiliated with the WIN organisation.

Section 2. The high-IQ-societies affiliated with WIN remain independent in their inner society matters. They may have an own constitution, however this individual constitution should not interfere with the WIN CS. WIN manages events, activities or decisions that are made in all the affiliated societies regarding only external issues to each society, affecting more than one WIN-society and the general WIN policy.

Section 3. The initial three high-IQ-societies at the time of founding of WIN (01/01/2001) were the CIVIQ, HELLIQ and OLYMPIQ societies.

Section 4. Further high-IQ-societies participating in WIN from a later date are PARS Society, participating since March 2004, GIGA Society, participating since May 2004, ePiq Society, participating since July 2005, ISI-Society, participating since June 2006 and Colloquy Society, participating since March 2007.

Section 5. Membership for individuals in the WIN organisation is granted automatically to every member of participating high-IQ-societies in WIN.

Section 6. A special status is the “External Advisor”. This status is granted to specialists participating in one of the WIN Committees but not being member of one of the high-IQ-societies affiliated with WIN. This status can only be granted by decision of the WEC and usually has to be confirmed at least once per year.

Section 7. The second special status is the “Honorary Member”, being granted to distinguished individuals from outside the WIN organisation whose accomplishments for the benefit and progress of humanity are in consonance with the WIN ideals and will reflect favourably upon the WIN organisation. Honorary Members can only be granted by decision of the WEC, either to be re-confirmed every year or, in exceptional cases, for lifetime.

Section 8. All members have access to the WIN Boards and the WIN MSN Groups for all members, in addition to separate sections and fora according to their function and membership in the respective high-IQ-society and Committee in which they participate.

Section 9. Members shall follow the basic rules of mutual respect in their communication either on the boards or participating in projects or further activities. If an inappropriate behaviour should occur, a warning towards this member may be expressed by at least two members of the WEC. In repeated cases, the WEC may block or exclude the concerned member temporarily or permanently.

Article 4 – Officers

Section 1. Officer status in WIN is granted to all officers of high-IQ-societies participating in WIN.

Section 2. Furthermore, members of the WIN Committees have officer status in WIN.

Section 3. Furthermore, Administrators and Moderators in the WIN Boards have officer status in WIN. Ideally, they have other officer functions in the WIN societies like Internet Officer or functions in a WIN Committee.

Section 4. Members of the WEC are the elected Presidents and Vice Presidents of the high-IQ-societies participating in WIN. In case there are two Co-Presidents, only these two Co-Presidents are members in WEC. In case there are several Vice Presidents, only one of them is member in the WEC. Maximally two persons represent their society in the WEC.

Section 5. Furthermore, members of the WEC are the Supervisors of the WIN Committees. In case there are two Co-Supervisors, both of them are members in WEC.

Section 6. Officers of the high-IQ-societies participating in WIN are elected or confirmed on an annual basis. The officers are elected by the members of the concerned high-IQ-society. By accepting the election, the officers may resign before the next elections only in exceptional cases. In such a case, upon the decision of the President and Vice President of the concerned society, an election during the year has to be raised to elect the new officer.

Section 7. Members of the Committees as well as their Supervisors are elected or confirmed as well on an annual basis. The Committee members are suggested by the WEC; however any WIN member may suggest a person in the WIN Boards and direct this request to the WEC. The Committee officers (Supervisor or Co-Supervisors) are elected by the members of the concerned Committee and confirmed by the WEC. By accepting the election, the Committee members and officers may resign before the next elections only in exceptional cases. In such a case, the Committee officers decide in accordance with the WEC about the necessity of a new election during the year.

Section 8. Elections for WIN officers, as well as for officers and Presidents in the high-IQ-societies affiliated with WIN, are effective by majority. Decisions taken during any meeting in WIN are effective by majority (exceptions see Art. 4, Sect. 9 and Art. 7, Sect. 3). The votes are counted by person, not by function. At every WEC meeting, all high-IQ-societies affiliated with WIN as well as every WIN Committee shall be represented at least by one officer of the society or member of the Committee, where one person may represent several functions. If not an officer but a member represents a society, the concerned society has to confirm decisions. The minimum number of participating people to take decisions in any meeting is three.

Section 9. The President of WIN as well as the Vice President of WIN is elected resp. confirmed by the WEC on an annual basis by two thirds of the WEC members. The founder of WIN, Evangelos Katsioulis, is the first WIN President. In case the positions of WIN President and WIN Vice President are elected with other WIN members, the founder of WIN will remain WIN Honorary President and shall keep WEC membership. If another President than the founder should be elected, the candidate for President must have contributed to WEC for at least one year prior to being able to be elected as President. However, the WEC may agree by two thirds to a WIN member being nominated and elected as President resp. as Vice President also if this member has not been WEC member before. WIN members may nominate one or several WIN member(s) and / or WEC member(s) for the function of WIN President and / or WIN Vice President and also may vote about it, however the WEC has to confirm these votings by two thirds. WIN President and WIN Vice President should have, beside this function, another officers function within WIN, as far as this is possible. The elected WIN President, not the Honorary President, is the official and executive representative of the WIN organisation.

Article 5 – Communication tools

Section 1. The website of WIN is published at www.IQsociety.org .

Section 2. The WIN Boards (www.iqsociety.org/boards) are the main communication tool, where discussions, voting, elections and further communication usually occur. The WIN Boards are accessible to read and write for all WIN members. However, some sections in the WIN Boards are accessible only for authorized groups: there are individual sections for all participating high-IQ-societies, for officers, Committees and the WEC. The WINEST section within the WIN Boards is open also to non-members: guests may read and, when registering, also write within the WINEST section.

Section 3. Further communication tools are the WIN MSN Groups, being used mainly for online meetings (chats) and file exchange. The main WIN MSN Group is accessible to read and write for all WIN members. Each high-IQ-society participating in WIN, as well as each Committee, officers and WEC members have an additional WIN MSN Group at their disposal.

Section 4. For exchange of larger files, the CIVIQ Yahoo! Group is available.

Section 5. Any further communication tools like email, phone calls, letters etc. may be used when appropriate.

Article 6 – Committees

Section 1. The WIN Psychometric Committee (WPC) consists of graduated psychologists, psychiatrists or psychometricians, and is responsible for all matters concerning psychometric questions within discussions and decisions as well as membership applications of new members.

Section 2. The WIN Public Relations Committee (WPRC) consists of the Presidents, Vice Presidents and membership officers of the high-IQ-societies affiliated in WIN. Furthermore, the WIN ONE editor is member, preferably Supervisor (or Co-Supervisor) of the WPRC. Other WIN members being skilled and motivated in the domains of this Committee may also be elected. The WPRC's duties are mainly the internal and external communication and public relations matters.

Section 3. The WIN Web Committee (WWC) consists of the internet officers of the high-IQ-societies affiliated in WIN, and of further specialists or professionals in the domains of information technology, like computers, web-design and software. The WWC duties are to provide a stable infrastructure for all communication matters. The Supervisor, or in case of two Co-Supervisors at least one of them, should be internet officer in one of the high-IQ-societies participating in WIN.

Section 4. The WIN Executive Committee (WEC) consists of the Presidents and Vice Presidents of the high-IQ-societies affiliated in WIN. In case there should be two Co-Presidents, only these two Co-Presidents will be WEC members. Furthermore, the Supervisors of the Committees are part of the WEC. In case there should be two Co-Supervisors, both are WEC members. The WIN President the WIN Vice President and, as far as existing, the WIN Honorary President are WEC members. Besides the organising contribution at the WEC meetings, the WIN President, the WIN Vice President and, as far as existing, the WIN Honorary President vote and participate in discussions and decisions like all WEC members. The WEC is the executive organ in the WIN organisation and headed by the WIN President.

Article 7 – Changes or Amendments to the WIN CS

Section 1. The WIN CS may be amended or changed, or new provisions adopted whenever such changes are necessary or beneficial to the operation of the WIN organisation.

Section 2. Any WIN member (either an individual member of a high-IQ-society participating in WIN, or an officially expressed opinion by a society participating in WIN) may suggest a change or amendment to the President.

Section 3. Changes or amendments shall be confirmed by at least two thirds of the WEC, i. e. of the WEC members present at a WEC meeting and/or by voting or informing the WIN President and in the WEC section of the WIN Boards within a defined timeframe.

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