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# *ASSOCIATION DE L'INGENIERIE DE LA RESILIENCE*

## **RESILIENCE ENGINEERING ASSOCIATION (REA)**

### **STATUTES**

#### ***TITLE 1: NAME AND HEAD OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATION***

##### ***Article 1***

The association is called 'Resilience Engineering Association' (REA). It is a non-profit organisation governed by French Law.

##### ***Article 2***

The head office of the Association is at MINES ParisTech - Centre for Research on Risks and Safety (CRC) Rue Claude Daunesse, B.P. 207F-06904 Sophia Antipolis Cedex, France. This head office may be relocated in France by an Executive Committee decision.

##### ***Article 3***

The Association may have local offices in other countries. The creation and the closure of these offices are decided by the Executive Committee.

#### ***TITLE 2: GOAL AND MEANS OF THE ASSOCIATION***

##### ***Article 4***

The goal of the Association is to provide a forum for coordination and exchange of experiences, by bringing together researchers and professionals working in the Resilience Engineering domain and organisations applying or willing to apply Resilience Engineering principles in their operations.

Research and practice in Resilience Engineering aims to establish a new way of thinking about safety and organizational capabilities to sustain performance over time in the face of contingencies.

### ***Article 5***

In order to pursue the goal cited in Article 4, the Association:

- shall establish and manage a web-site to provide members relevant information and an infrastructure for communication by e-mail,
- shall regularly organise conferences, symposia, training courses, summer schools, workshops and other types of events that promote Resilience Engineering
- shall stimulate and conduct events that support and further the practical application of Resilience Engineering
- shall organise a biennial General Assembly, either in conjunction with one of the arrangements mentioned above, or separately.
- shall co-operate with other national or international scientific associations, especially in organising conferences and events that can benefit application of Resilience Engineering
- may participate in the publication of Resilience Engineering reviews, research and applications.

## ***TITLE 3: COMPOSITION OF THE ASSOCIATION***

### ***Article 6***

The Association is composed of Individual members (Ordinary members, Fellow members, Honorary members, or Student members) and Organisational members.

In this document, an 'organisation' means a company, a scientific institution, a public body, a registered national and international society, a society of public utility, or other legal entities.

### ***Article 7***

Individual membership is open to person demonstrating interest in Resilience Engineering.

Organisational membership is gained through an acceptance by the Executive Committee recognising a marked interest of the organisation in Resilience Engineering, for instance by participating actively in any of the events defined in Article 5, or by applying Resilience Engineering in a demonstrable manner.

### ***Article 8***

Organisational membership is implemented through a Representative designated by the organisation. However, an Organisational member may in addition submit any number of Individual membership applications for its personnel.

### ***Article 9***

Both individuals and organisations applying for membership must fulfil the conditions specified in the Internal Regulations for the relevant category of membership.

### ***Article 10***

The status of member is void in case of:

- resignation or death of the person,
- resignation or discontinuation of the organisation,
- dismissal proposed by the Executive Committee on the grounds of improper conduct or manifest behaviour that contravenes the statutes or the rules established by the internal regulation,
- non-payment of the annual subscription for two consecutive years, despite Executive Committee warning.

### ***Article 11***

An annual subscription must be paid by members (individuals and organisations). The amount is proposed annually by the Executive Committee and validated by an absolute majority of the voters of the General Assembly.

The amount may differ as a function of the membership type.

The annual subscription is waived for honorary members.

## ***TITLE 4: STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONING OF THE ASSOCIATION***

### ***Article 12***

The Association is governed by its Statutes and its Internal Regulations.

The provisions of the Internal Regulations must not be against the Statutes.

### ***Article 13***

The Association is managed by an Executive Committee and meets in a General Assembly.

### ***Article 14***

The Ordinary General Assembly meets at least every two years to make strategic decisions and to define activities of the Association, elect the Executive Committee members, amend the Internal Regulations or the Statutes, as needed.

Every year the members will be informed on general and financial affairs.

### ***Article 15***

An Extraordinary General Assembly meets when the Executive Committee decides to convoke it, either of its own accord, or on the request of at least one quarter of the members. The Extraordinary General Assembly decides about the dissolution of the Association.

### ***Article 16***

No later than one month before the date of a General Assembly, the Executive Committee must inform each member personally of its date, venue and agenda by sending the program established by the Executive Committee.

### ***Article 17***

Ordinary members, Fellow members, Honorary members, and Organisational members are entitled to vote in the General Assembly. Every of these members shall have one vote at the General Assemblies.

Any member absent from a General Assembly may confer a written mandate on a member present at this assembly in order to vote by proxy. A member is not allowed to have more than five proxy mandates.

### ***Article 18***

The Executive Committee implements the General Assembly decisions and manages the Association business between the assemblies. It gives an account of its activity to the General Assembly.

### ***Article 19***

Within the operations necessitated by the organisation of conferences, the Executive Committee may delegate some of its powers to a local organisational committee, a majority of which must be (Ordinary, Fellow, or Honorary) members of the Association.

### ***Article 20***

The Executive Committee is elected by the members of the Association during the General Assembly. Candidates to the Executive Committee must be Ordinary members, Fellow members, Honorary members or designated representatives of Organisational members.

Candidates to the Executive Committee will be designated according to the hierarchy of the number of votes they collect during the General Assembly vote and can only be elected if they collect more than fifty percent of the expressed votes.

### ***Article 21***

The number of members of the Executive Committee, the duration of their mandates, and the conditions of their elections are fixed in the Internal Regulations.

At the minimum, the Executive Committee is composed of a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer being the officers.

The elected Executive Committee shall elect people for the officers within one month after the General Assembly.

The Executive Committee may co-opt additional persons for a specific period to assist in its proper functioning, under the conditions specified in the Internal Regulations.

### ***Article 22***

The President represents the Association and he or she is responsible to the members for the management of the Association and its activities.

The President may delegate some of his or her powers to other members of the Executive Committee, with the agreement of this Committee.

## ***TITLE 5: RESOURCES OF THE ASSOCIATION***

### ***Article 23***

The Association shall not work for profit.

### ***Article 24***

The resources of the Association are the following:

- the membership fees paid by individual members and organisational members;
- public or private financial supports and sponsorship;
- the return from registration fees of conferences organised by the Association, and
- any other legitimate resources.

The accounts for the previous financial year and the budget for the next financial year will be submitted for the approval of the General Assembly on a biennial basis.

## ***TITLE 6: AMENDMENT OF THE STATUTES AND OF THE INTERNAL REGULATIONS***

### ***Article 26***

Amendment of the Statutes, or of the Internal Regulations, may be proposed to the General Assembly by at least one third of the Executive Committee members, or by at least one quarter of the Association members.

The amendment becomes effective after a favourable vote by a majority of two thirds of the voters present or represented at the General Assembly.

However, amendment decisions will be rejected if the favourable votes expressed represent less than one third of the Association potential voters.

***Article 27***

The provisions of the Internal Regulations must not be against the Statutes.

***TITLE 7: DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION***

***Article 28***

The Association may only be dissolved by a vote of an Extraordinary General Assembly, by a majority of two thirds of the voters present or represented.

The Association cannot be dissolved if at least one third of the potential voters of the Association members vote against the dissolution.

***Article 29***

In case of dissolution, the Extraordinary General Assembly is to nominate one or more liquidators, who will be in charge of the liquidation of the property of the Association and is also to define the liquidators' powers.

In no case shall members, probationers, or honorary members receive any part of the property of the Association, except the recovering of their property.

The net credit remaining will be compulsorily given to one or several other associations pursuing similar goals, which are to be chosen by the Extraordinary General Assembly.