

STATUTE OF THE RADECS ASSOCIATION

Article I. Denomination

An association, governed by the law of July 1st, 1901 and entitled RADECS Association for "Radiations, Effects on Components and Systems" has been founded among adherents of these statutes. Henceforth, the term Association shall be used to refer to the RADECS association.

Article II. Objectives

The Association aims at promoting scientific fundamental and applied research primarily in the fields of radiations and their effect on materials, components and systems, but also in all fields conventionally with radiations and in particular the following:

- the space environment,
- the civilian and military nuclear environment.

It also aims at promoting all development applications resulting from this research and at facilitating all forms of interchange and communication for training and perfecting the knowledge of those working in such fields.

To meet objectives it sets up or participates in a number of scientific events such as:

- a European congress, national and international exchanges, etc...
- It checks that the activities developed are correctly conducted while, in return, these events help to finance the Association through subscriptions or participations which contribute to the running costs and the cost of promoting such events.

Article III. Head office

The Association's Head office presently is at the Montpellier Electronics Centre, box 083 at the University of Montpellier II, 34095 Montpellier cedex 05, France. It may be transferred upon the decision of the Board of Administration, which in turn would need to be ratified at the General Meeting.

Article IV. Composition

The Association is composed of:

- honorary members,
- benefactors,
- active members.

Article V. Admission

The General Meeting on the active members must give its approval for those wishing to become a member of the Association.

The Association will consider as honorary members those who have rendered exceptional service. They will be exempted from subscription fees.

Article VI. Members

Any legal or natural persons who pay an entrance fee and an annual subscription fixed each year by the General Meeting to help the Association fulfill objectives are considered to be benefactors.

Active members undertake to pay an annual subscription set by the General Meeting.

Article VII. Striking off

Membership can be lost:

- through resignation sent to the President by registered post with acknowledgement of receipt,
- through a striking off pronounced by the board of Administration for non-payment of subscription, non-compliance with the statutes, repeated refusal to participate in voluntary tasks or for serious offences. The party concerned is asked, by registered post, to present an explanation for serious acts in front of the inner committee.

Article VIII. Financing

Association resources include:

- Admission fees and subscriptions:
- Donations by individuals or companies:
- Subsidies granted by the State, regions, departments, towns or by any other public or private authority or association:
- sums from the sales of services, documents and leaflets:
- returns on participation in events organized at a national, European or international level:
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- interests gained from financial investments:
- all other resources which are not prohibited by current law or contrary to the statutory objective of the Association.

Article IX. Board of Administration

The Association is presided by a Board of members elected by the first General Meeting. New members are cooptated.

Board of Administration member functions are entirely voluntary.

The Board of Administration votes from among its members by secret ballot for an inner committee composed a least of the following:

- a President,
- a Vice-President,
- a Treasurer.

A third of the Board is renewed every two years. The outgoing members shall be designated by lots for the first two renewals.

The boards can temporarily replace its members during holidays. Their permanent replacement shall be decided at the next General Meeting. The authority of the members elected in this way ends on the date the mandate of the replaced member expires.

Article X. Board of Administration Meeting

The Board of Administration meets up at least once every six months, when convened by the President or upon the demand of a quarter of its members.

Decisions are taken by the majority vote of the members present or represented by a non-member of the Board; in the event of no majority the President has the deciding vote.

All board members absent, without being excuse, from three consecutive meetings may be considered to have resigned from their function.

Article XI. Ordinary General Meeting

Active members of the Association are present at ordinary General Meetings which take place during the last quarter of each year.

At least a fortnight before the fixed date, active Association members are convened by the Secretary upon the President's decision. The agenda is indicated on the summons.

The President, assisted by the Board members, presides the Meetings and evokes the moral situation of the Association.

The Treasurer gives an account of his management and submits the balance for the Meeting's approval.

Once all items on the agenda have been discussed, the replacement of outgoing Board members designated by lots is voted by secret ballot.

Decision are taken by the majority vote of those present; if there is no majority, the President's vote is decisive.

Only those questions submitted for the agenda shall be discussed during General Meetings.

All active members absent, without being excused, from three consecutive meetings may be considered to have resigned from their function.

Article XII. Extraordinary General Meeting

If required, or upon the request of at least half of the active members plus one, an extraordinary General Meeting can be convened by the President according to the formalities laid down in Article XI.

Article XIII. Rules of procedure.

Rules of procedure are drawn up by the Board of Administration who has them approved by the General Meeting. These rules are aimed to cover the internal operation, financing and administration of the Association. They may be consequently amended after a vote at an ordinary or extraordinary General Meeting in which at least two thirds of the voters are in favour of such a decision.

Article XIV. Dissolution

In the event of a dissolution announced by at least two thirds of the members present at the General Meeting, one or more liquidators are named by the latter and any assets devolved in compliance with Article IX of the law dated July 1st, 1901 and the decree dated August 16 th, 1901.

RADECS

Rules of procedure

Article 1. Declaration

RADECS is an independent, French, scientific association.

Article 2. Activities

Association activities are those appropriate for developing its main objective and may include the following:

- 1/ The organization or sponsorship of scientific events.
- 2/ The promotion of research into the effects of radiation and applications.
- 3/ The encouragement or development of informative scientific publications on the effect of radiation.
- 4/ Co-operation and exchanges with other organizations with similar activities and objectives to those of the Association.

Article 3. Responsibilities and functions

The board of Administration's Inner Committee members are invested with the following attributions:

- The President is responsible for executing the decisions taken at the General Meetings and ensuring that the Association he represents in court and in all acts of civilian life is correctly conducted. In agreement with the Inner Committee, he designates a representative of the Association to participate in organizing each set up by the Association.
- The vice-Président, in collaboration with the President, are responsible for the relationships between participating organizations. They negotiate the terms of participation of organizations willing to support Association activities.
- Secretaries are, amongst other things, responsible for dispatching advertisements and summons, keeping files and mail up to date and keeping the register as stipulated by Article V of the law dated July 1st, 1901.
- The treasurer keeps Association accounts and, under the President's control, makes all payments and receives all sums; he is authorized by the Board to withdraw, transfer and alienate all assets and securities.

Article 4. Subscription and participation fees

The cost of subscription fees for active members is defined by the General Meeting. Inscription fees for a congress or any other event organized by the Association include a compulsory participation fee which is paid to the Association. The cost of this is defined by the Organizing Committee of the congress or event and approved by the Association.

Article 5. Control of events

In compliance with its statutes, the Association orients procedures and checks that all events organized by itself are conducted correctly.

In particular:

- it approves, by vote if necessary, the themes and site on which these events are to be held;
- it validates the choice of the Organizing Committees created for these events;
- it is responsible for the press publicity campaign and for the issue of event reports;
- it is responsible for calling upon exhibitors, in agreement with the Organizing committees;
- it sends off advertisements.

Article 6. Organization of RADECS congresses

6.1. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

6.1.1. Constitution

A European Organizing Committee is constituted at each RADECS congress. The Committee is the result of the project examined and selected by the Association after the previous congress. An Inner Committee is then decided upon and it prepares a full organization project for the next congress.

6.1.2. Composition

The Organization Committee comprises a minimum of two Association members and the staff of European state or private institutions. It is recommended that the Inner Committee be composed of members representative of the different European Community States participating in the last congress.

Inner Committee members' mandates expire at the end of the congress they have organized.

6.1.3. Attributions

This committee prepares a final project for organizing the congress and submits it for the Association's approval.

The committee is responsible for the practical and financial organization of the Congress:

- site and service reservations,
- preparation of advertisement campaigns and programme drafting,
- choice of lecturers (didactic and guests),
- conference preparation and methods,
- translation of texts,
- preparation of didactic conference leaflets and summaries of papers,
- constitution of the Honorary Committee.

The Association supplies financial aid from the outset. The amount is defined at the General Meeting when the project is presented.

6.1.4. Executive

Those in charge of the Organizing Committee are as follows:

- Honorary President of the Congress,
- President of the Congress,
- Vice-President of the Congress,
- the Secretary of the Congress,
- the Treasurer of the Congress,
- Those designated by the President of the Congress (training, relationships, etc.),

The Selection Committee is composed of the following:

- a President,
- a Vice-President,
- a President and a Vice-President for the session,
- Rapporteurs.

6.2.3. Organization

The Vice-President of the Congress Selection Committee will be President of the Selection Committee of the next Congress.

The Vice-President is named directly by the members of the Selection Committee.

The functions of the President of the session are generally reserved for well-known figures in the speciality.

Vice-president and rapporteurs are preferably from among those Association members having written papers for previous RADECS Congresses. Outside personalities can also be proposed.

6.2.4. Delegation of authority

The President is responsible for co-ordination with the Association. He submits a list of Selection members to the Association for approval. At the end of the Congress he submits a written report on the scientific aspect of the papers at the Congress.

The Vice-President is responsible for co-ordination with the Organizing Committee of the Congress (transmission of the texts and preparation of the volume of abstracts).

Session Vice-president has an executive role. They direct a team of rapporteurs on a given theme. They draft a session report which they submit to the President of the Selection Committee.

Article 7. Organization of the Hardening Thematic Circle

7.1. FIELDS OF ACTIVITY

The activities of the Hardening Thematic Circle aim at developing Association objectives as described in article II, of the statutes, exclusively at a national level and also to broaden the scientific fields associated with the general problems of nuclear and spatial hardening.

7.2. MEMBERS

This circle comprises members who must mandatorily be of French nationality. At least half these members must also be Association members.

7.3. OPERATION

The Hardening Thematic Circle generally complies with the operating rules of the CLUB SEE 21 to which it moreover belongs (Thematic Circle 21-80).

It is conducted by four secretaries, at least two of which are Association members.

These secretaries belong to different institutions. They must be representative of the following sectors of activity:

- state organizations,
- universities,
- semi-conductor manufacturers,
- manufacturers and equipment manufacturers

7.4. EVENTS ORGANIZED

The work themes of the Hardening Thematic Circle (annual meetings; specialized open days, specific work groups, etc.) are submitted for the approval of the Association which shall particularly strive to ensure perfect continuity in its "work" between RADECS congresses.

Each event organized by the Circle is presented in a proposal for which an approach similar to that for a Congress organization project described in the Attributions paragraph, 6.1.3., in Article 6 above, must be adopted.