## THE STATUTES OF APORS

# The Association of Asian-Pacific Operational Research Societies within IFORS

## I. Objectives

- The objectives of the Association are to promote and implement the general objectives of IFORS
  within Asian-Pacific region. It will not undertake activities which are inconsistent with the
  objectives of IFORS.
- 2. The Association will help the member societies to exchange information of common interest and promote OR activities in their own countries. It will also encourage other countries in Asian-Pacific region to have their own national OR societies. To this end the Association will undertake activities considered appropriate by the member societies, e.g.,
- (a) collecting news from member societies, publishing newsletters quarterly (or more often) and distributing a few copies for each member society,
- (b) having meeting of representatives,
- (c) holding regional conference and seminars on general and/or specialized subjects in OR,
- (d) cosponsoring national/international conferences and meetings, and etc.

### II. Membership

- The membership of the Association shall consist of the Operational Research Societies in Asian-Pacific region which are full member of IFORS. Other interested groups may be kept informed of the Association's activities, on request.
- 2. The following eight societies shall be the founders of the Association.

( a ) Australian Society of Operational Research ( ASOR )
( b ) Operations Research Society of China
( c ) Operational Research Society of Hong Kong ( ORSHK )
( d ) Operations Research Society of India
( e ) Operations Research Society of Japan (ORSJ)
(f) Korean Operations Research and Management Science Society (KORS)
( g ) Operational Research Society of New Zealand ( ORSNZ )
( h ) Operational Research Society of Singapore ( ORSS )

#### **III. Council and Executive Committee**

- Each member society shall appoint one representative to the Association. Those representatives,
  together with a representative from IFORS, shall form the Council of the Association. The
  interval between Council meetings will normally be one year, but the Council conducts it on a
  Council meeting if it is not feasible for its representatives to attend that meeting.
- 2. The Council shall elect a President and a Vice-President usually from among the current Council

members. A Secretary and a Treasurer shall be appointed from among the regular member societies, with re-appointed allowed. Their terms of the office will be three years. The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall form the Executive Committee to conduct the business of the Association. The affairs of the Association will be administered by the Executive Committee under authorization of the Council of Association.

- 3. The office of the Association shall be placed at the office of a member society to take charge of the secretarial/administrative jobs.
- Immediate past President of APORS will be nominated in principle to a new Vice-President of IFORS.

### IV. Finance

- The association may seek or accept voluntary contributions to finance its general activities. It
  may make charge for conferences, seminars, and other services it may provide, and use the
  profits from these sources for its activities.
- 2. The Association is, in principle, not responsible for the expense of attendance at Council meetings or Executive Committee meetings.

### V. Revision of the Statutes

- 1. Revision of the statutes must be proposed and supported by more than one member society.
- Revision of the statutes must be approved at the Council meeting by the majority of attending Council members.

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