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OF

HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF QUALIFIED ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONALS

1. NAME

The Name of the Institute is "Hong Kong Institute of Qualified Environmental Professionals (HKIQEP)" ("香港合資格環保專業人員學會"), hereinafter referred to as "the Institute".

2. OBJECTS

The objects of the Institute are to secure the advancement and facilitate the acquisition of that knowledge and expertise which constitutes the profession of environmental professionals, including, but not limited to, the followings:

- (a) Meeting the current and future environmental expertise needs of Hong Kong and the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area;
- (b) Supporting the development of the environmental industry in Hong Kong;
- (c) Promoting continuous professional development of environmental professionals to meet the changing needs of the society and the environment:
- (d) Facilitating the exchange of ideas, knowledge and information between environmental professionals on current and emerging environmental-related challenges and risks, technologies, regulations, policies and stakeholder expectations by means of meetings and/or publications;
- (e) Promoting the advancement of environmental knowledge across different professional and industry sectors for the betterment of the environment;
- (f) Maintaining the integrity and status of the environmental professionals and to represent them both to the public and to the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region;
- (g) Providing links between industry and governmental bodies and other organizations to ensure that environmental professionals remain dynamic and relevant to both industry and the community; and
- (h) Doing all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

3. PROPERTY

The property of the Institute other than cash shall be vested in the President, the Honorary Secretary and the Honorary Treasurer for the time being of the Institute as trustees who will deal with the property of the Institute in the manner determined from time to time by the General Council. The President, the Honorary Secretary and the Honorary Treasurer as such trustees shall be indemnified against risk and expense out of the property of the Institute.

4. MEMBERSHIP

- 4.1 Membership of the Institute shall consist of:
 - (a) Those persons being professionally qualified environmental professionals who joined together to, sponsor the formation of the Institute and were present at its first meeting for the adoption of the Constitution; and
 - (b) Those persons who from time to time may be elected to membership in accordance with the Bye-Laws of the Institute provided that for the purpose of the Bye-Laws, "elected to membership" under this clause shall be construed as "admitted to membership".
- 4.2 The qualifications and procedures for and terms of admission, privileges and obligations of members including liability to expulsion, removal of name from the Register of the Institute or suspension, and conditions of registration for membership shall be such as the Bye-Laws of the Institute shall prescribe from time to time.

5. CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1 Membership of the Institute shall comprise:
 - (a) Founding Fellows;
 - (b) Fellows;
 - (c) Members;
 - (d) Associate Members;
 - (e) Graduate Members;
 - (f) Student Members;
 - (g) Honorary Fellows;
 - (h) Adjunct Fellows; and
 - (i) Adjunct Members.

- 5.2 The rights, privileges or obligations of members in the various class of membership shall be as provided herein or in the Bye-Laws.
- 5.3 The procedure for transfer from one class to another class shall be as prescribed in the Bye-Laws.
- A member of the Institute shall be entitled to use the appropriate abbreviated designation after his name as follows:

(a) An Honorary Fellow — Hon FHKIQEP

(b) A Founding Fellow — FFHKIQEP

(c) A Fellow — FHKIQEP

(d) A Member — MHKIQEP

(e) An Associate Member — AMHKIQEP

5.5 Professional Member may also present himself as a Qualified Environmental Professional (合資格環保專業人員).

6. MANAGEMENT OF THE INSTITUTE

- The affairs of the Institute shall be managed by a body called "The General Council" which shall be the governing body of the Institute.
- 6.2 The General Council shall have the sole control, management and superintendence of the property income affairs and concerns of the Institute and may appoint such Officers as it shall in its discretion deem necessary and if not contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Constitution or any Bye-Laws made hereunder may do all such acts as may appear to it to be necessary or desirable for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects of the Institute and in particular and without prejudice to the foregoing powers the General Council shall have the following powers:
 - (a) To accept any gift or property for any of the objects of the Institute:
 - (b) To invest any moneys of, or belonging to the Institute in such manner as may from time to time be determined by the General Council;
 - (c) To borrow, raise or secure the payment or repayment of moneys in such manner as it may think fit;

- (d) To rent, purchase, take on lease or licence, construct, manage, maintain, improve, develop or alter any buildings or works, land, premises and property rights and interests necessary or convenient for the purpose of the Institute;
- (e) To sell, lease, mortgage, charge, encumber, dispose of or otherwise deal with, all or any part of the property of the Institute;
- (f) To control and conduct examinations in environmental and cognate subjects and issue certificates subject to such regulations as may from time to time be determined in the General Council:
- (g) To appoint such Committees and delegate to any such Committee such of the powers of the General Council as may be deemed necessary or appropriate for the better conduct of the Institute's business. Such Committees shall operate under and conduct their proceedings in accordance with any direction given by the General Council and shall report to the General Council as required;
- (h) To procure the Institute to be incorporated;
- (i) To arrange social, educational and recreational activities for members of the Institute and their guests.
- 6.3 The exercise of all powers exercisable by the General Council shall be subject to the control of the Voting Members in General Meeting but so that any act done by the General Council before any resolution of a General Meeting shall not be invalidated by any such resolution.

7. MEMBERSHIP OF GENERAL COUNCIL

7.1 The General Council shall consist of such members of the Institute holding such qualifications and elected or nominated in such manner holding office for such periods and on such terms as to re-election or re-nomination an otherwise as may be prescribed by the Bye-Laws

8. MEETINGS

8.1 The meetings of the Institute shall be of such classes and shall be held for such purposes as may from time to time be prescribed by the Bye-Laws of the Institute and the rights of the several classes of members shall except as herein otherwise provided be such or subject to such restrictions as may be prescribed by the Bye-Laws of the Institute.

9. ALTERATION OF CONSTITUTION AND BYE-LAWS

- 9.1 This Constitution may be altered, amended or added to only by a resolution passed by a three-fourths majority of the Voting Members present or by proxy and voting at a General Meeting of the Institute specially called for the purpose. Not less than 30 days notice in writing shall be given to all members specifying the alterations, amendments or additions proposed.
- 9.2 Subject to clause 9.3 hereof, a majority of the Voting Members present in person or by proxy and voting at a General Meeting of the Institute specially called for the purpose of which due notice has been given, shall have power from time to time to make Bye-Laws or to revoke, alter or amend any Bye-Laws to be made under this Constitution.
- 9.3 No part of the Bye-Laws relating to membership as referred to herein of the Constitution shall be amended unless by a resolution passed by a three-fourths majority of the Voting Members present in person or by proxy and voting at a General Meeting of the Institute specially called for the purpose. Not less than 30 days notice in writing shall be given to all Voting Members specifying the amendments proposed.

10. DISSOLUTION

- 10.1 The Institute shall continue until a resolution shall be passed by an affirmative vote of 66% of the Voting Members of the Institute for its dissolution. Voting on such a resolution may be by postal vote conducted in such manner as the Bye-Laws, failing which the General Council, may prescribe.
- 10.2 If on the winding up or dissolution of the Institute there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Institute but shall be given or transferred to some other Institution or Association to be determined by the Voting Members of the Institute at or before the time of dissolution and in default thereof by such court of Hong Kong as may have or acquire jurisdiction in the matter.



章程

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香港合資格環保專業人員學會 章程

1. 名稱

本學會之名稱為「香港合資格環保專業人員學會」("Hong Kong Institute of Qualified Environmental Professionals (HKIQEP)"),以下簡稱「學會」。

2. 宗旨

學會的宗旨為確保提升及促進獲取環保專業人員的專業知識和專長,包括但不限於以下各項:

- (a) 滿足香港及粤港澳大灣區當前和未來對環保專業知識需求;
- (b) 支持香港環保產業的發展;
- (c) 促進環保專業人員的持續專業發展,以滿足社會和環境不斷變化的需求;
- (d) 通過會議及/或出版物,促進環保專業人員之間就當前和新出現的環境 相關挑戰和風險、技術、法規、政策和利益相關者的期望交流意見、 知識和信息;
- (e) 促進不同專業和行業領域的環保知識進步,以改善環境;
- (f) 維護環保專業人員的誠信和地位,並在公眾和香港特別行政區政府面 前作為其代表;
- (g) 提供行業與政府機構和其他組織之間的聯繫,以確保環保專業人員在 與行業和社會中保持活力和相關性;及
- (h) 辦理一切其他有關或有助為實現上述宗旨或當中任何一項的事宜。

3. 財產

學會的非現金財產由作為受託人的現任會長、義務秘書及義務司庫持有,並按理事會不時釐定之方式處置學會財產。 會長、義務秘書及義務司庫作為受託人的風險及開支須由學會財產彌償。

4. 會籍

- 4.1 學會的會籍包括:
 - (a) 合乎專業資格、聯合發起成立學會並出席首次會議以通過學會 章程的環保專業人員;及
 - (b) 根據學會則例不時獲接納為會員的人士,亦等同於則例中解釋 為「獲得會籍」的人士。
- 4.2 入會的資格、程序及條款、會員的權利和義務,包括開除、從學會名 冊除名或暫時吊銷會籍的責任,以及會籍註冊的條件,須遵照學會則 例不時訂明的規定。

5. 會員類別

5.1 學會會籍包括:

	(a)	創會會士;					
	(b)	會士;					
	(c)	會員;					
	(d)	附屬會員;					
	(e)	畢業生會員;					
	(f)	學生會員;					
	(g)	名譽會士;					
	(h)	協作會士;及					
	(i)	協作會員。					
5.2	各類別會員的權利、特權或義務應按本章程或則例中的規定辦理						
5.3	由一類別轉為另一類別的程序應按則例中的規定辦理。						
5.4	學會會員有權在其姓名後使用以下縮寫職銜:						
	(a)	An Honorary Fellow	_	Hon FHKIQEP			
	(b)	A Founding Fellow	_	FFHKIQEP			
	(c)	A Fellow	_	FHKIQEP			
	(d)	A Member	_	MHKIQEP			
	(e)	An Associate Member	_	AMHKIQEP			
5.5	專業會員亦可自稱為合資格環保專業人員。						

6. 學會管理

- 6.1 學會的事務應由一個名為「理事會」的機構管理,理事會為學會的管治團體。
- 6.2 理事會應對學會的財產、收入、事務及事宜擁有專有的控制、管理及 監督權,並有權自行委任其認為必要的職員,並且在不違反或不抵觸 本學會章程或根據本章程制定的任何則例的情況下,可採取一切其認 為就達致學會宗旨所需或合宜的行為,在不影響前述權力的前提下, 理事會擁有以下權力:
 - (a) 接受任何為體現學會宗旨的禮品或財產.
 - (b) 按理事會不時決定的方式投資學會或屬於學會的任何資金;
 - (c) 按其認為合適的方式借入、籌措或保證付款或還款;
 - (d) 為學會所必需或為方便學會而租賃、購買、承租或許可、建造、 管理、維護、改善、開發或改建任何建築物或工程、土地、處 所和產權及權益;
 - (e) 出售、租賃、按揭、抵押、押記、處置或以其他方式處理學會 的全部或部分財產;
 - (f) 管理和進行環境及相關學科的考試,並頒發證書,但須符合理 事會不時訂立的規例的規限;
 - (g) 委任委員會及向該等委員會轉授理事會認為可更妥善進行學會 事務所必要或適宜之理事會權力。該等委員會須按照理事會給 予的指引運作及開展程序,並須按需求向理事會報告;
 - (h) 促使學會成為法團;
 - (i) 為學會會員及其賓客安排社交、教育及文娱活動。
- 6.3 理事會所有職權的行使須受會員大會的有表決權會員管轄,惟理事會 於大會決議之前所作的行為不得被任何該等決議變成無效。

7. 理事會成員

7.1 理事會須由學會的正式會員組成,其資格、當選或提名方式、任期、 再次當選或再次提名之條款等須按則例規定。

8. 會議

8.1 學會的會議類別和目的須遵照學會則例不時訂明的規定,除本文另有 規定外,各類別會員的權利應為則例中規定的該等權利或受該等限制。

9. 學會章程及則例的修改

- 9.1 本章程僅可通過在為此目的而特別召開的學會會員大會上,由出席 或委託代表出席並投票的四分之三大多數有表決權會員通過的決議, 方可更改、修訂或增補。學會須至少提前30天以書面形式通知所有 會員,說明建議作出的更改、修訂或增補。
- 9.2 在不抵觸本章程第9.3條的前提下,經發出適當通知,親自出席或 委託代表出席並投票的大多數有表決權會員,應有權不時制定則例, 或撤銷、更改或修訂根據本學會章程制定的任何則例。
- 9.3 除非在為此目的而特別召開的學會會員大會上,由出席或委託代表 出席並投票的四分之三大多數有表決權會員通過的決議,否則不得 修訂本學會章程中提及的與會籍有關的任何則例。 學會須至少提前 30天以書面形式通知所有有表決權會員,說明建議作出的修訂。

10. 解散

- 10.1 除學會有表決權會員透過 66% 的贊成票通過學會解散決議外,學會 須持續運作。有關該決議的表決,可按照則例規定的方式進行郵寄 投票,如無則例規定,則由理事會規定。
- 10.2 若學會清盤或解散時,在償還所有債項及債務後,尚剩餘任何財產, 則該等財產不得支付或分配予學會會員,而須給予或轉讓予由學會 有表決權會員在解散時或之前釐定的其他機構或組織,如學會會員 並無作出決定,則由香港具有或取得司法管轄權的法院決定。