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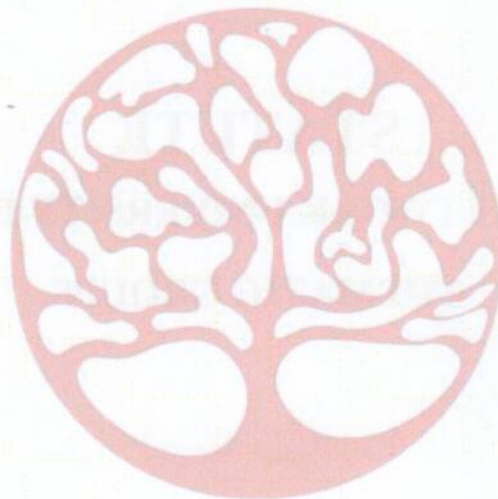
**REGULATIONS
OF THE INTERNATIONAL GOVERNING BOARD
OF THE BRICS NETWORK UNIVERSITY**

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1. Purpose and scope

These Regulations define the purpose, tasks, functions, procedures and activities of the International Governing Board of the BRICS Network University.

2. Normative references

These Regulations are developed in accordance with the *Memorandum of Understanding on Establishment of the BRICS Network University* adopted by the Ministers of Education of the BRICS countries on November 18th, 2015.

3. Abbreviations

The abbreviations used in the text are listed below.

Abbreviations	Full title
BRICS NU	BRICS Network University
NCC	National Coordinating Committee
IGB	International Governing Board
ITG	International Thematic Group
BRICS NU MOU	<i>Memorandum of Understanding on Establishment of the BRICS Network University</i> signed by the Ministers of Education of the BRICS countries on November 18 th , 2015

4. Overall aim and functions of the IGB

The IGB is established in accordance with Articles 9 and 10 of the BRICS NU MOU and is the principal body responsible for the activities, development and assessment of the outcomes of the BRICS NU.

4.1. The overall aim of the IGB is governance of the BRICS NU with the objective of facilitating its smooth development and effective operation.

4.2. The main functions of the IGB are:

- 4.2.1. Consolidation and approval of the annual Action Plan of the BRICS NU;
- 4.2.2. Approval of educational programs proposed by the ITGs;
- 4.2.3. Making decisions on the implementation of the principles of support of the activities of the BRICS NU in consonance with the MOU;
- 4.2.4. Approval of changes in the structure, composition and knowledge fields of the BRICS NU;
- 4.2.5. Approval of the Statutes of the ITGs;
- 4.2.6. Coordination and review of the implementation of the Action Plan on the basis of annual reports from the ITGs and NCCs;
- 4.2.7. Developing strategic directions for the BRICS NU;
- 4.2.8. Articulation of joint initiatives with other bodies and institutions of the BRICS.

5. Membership of the IGB

- 5.1. Each country shall nominate three members for the IGB, at least one of whom is a plenipotentiary representative of the National Education Ministry and at least one of whom is a representative of the BRICS NU participants from the NCC in accordance with Article 10 of the BRICS NU MOU, and taking into account the principle of continuity.
- 5.2. The member(s) of the IGB from the National Ministries of Education shall be appointed for a term in accordance with national practice, but for not less than two years.
- 5.3. The member(s) of the IGB from the NCC shall be appointed for a term in accordance with national practice but for not less than three years.
- 5.4. In the event that a member does not complete the term, the governing structure of that country should nominate a replacement and notify the IGB.
- 5.5. The appointed terms may be extended for another consecutive term.
- 5.6. Any member of the IGB may be substituted with another person by the decision of the National Ministry of Education or NCC.

6. Administration of the IGB

- 6.1. The President of the IGB, in accordance with the Article 10 of the BRICS NU MOU, is a representative of the National Education Ministry from the country that is currently the Chair of BRICS.
- 6.2. The Vice-President of the IGB shall be appointed from the representatives of the National Education Ministry of the next country due to chair BRICS.
- 6.3. The President of the IGB is responsible for
- Convening and chairing meetings of the IGB;
 - Ensuring all materials and documents are prepared and distributed to all IGB members at least two weeks prior to the next IGB meeting;
 - Ensuring the preparation and distribution of the draft minutes of the IGB meetings within three weeks of the meeting;
 - Signing the agreed minutes of meetings.
- 6.4. In the case of the absence of the President during IGB meetings, the Vice-President shall discharge the functions of the President.

7. Meetings of the IGB

- 7.1. The IGB shall meet at least once a year. The President may convene additional meetings at the request of the plenipotentiary representative of another country or of an NCC or ITG.
- 7.2. English shall be the working language of the IGB.

8. Documents and decisions

- 8.1. All decisions of the IGB should be taken by consensus.
- 8.2. The originals of documents and decisions shall be kept by the country that is Chair for the year, and authenticated copies shall be provided to all the member countries.
- 8.3. Important decisions of the IGB shall be embodied in Protocols signed by authorized representatives of the BRICS countries.

9. Funding

The financial responsibility for the organization of the meetings of the IGB rests with the incumbent BRICS Chair, in accordance with Article 13 of the MOU.

10. Introduction of Amendments

These Regulations may be amended by mutual agreement of the IGB members.

APPROVED

At the IGB meeting on 2nd July 2017
Zhengzhou, China

For Brazil

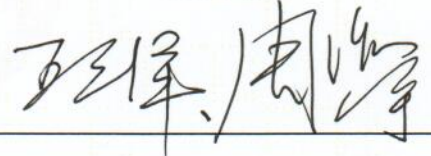
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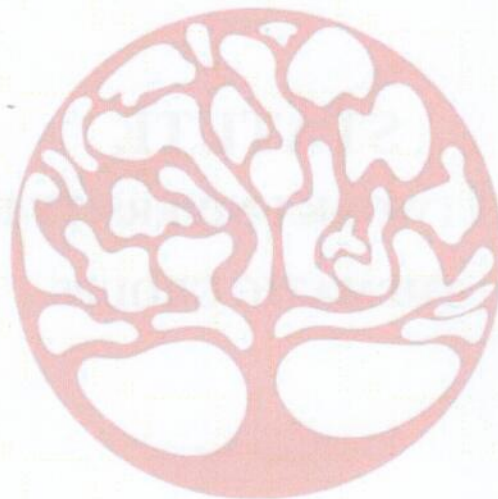


For South Africa





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