

# Constitution for ICU Economics

## 1. Name

- 1.1 The club shall be a member of the New Activities Incubator Committee.
- 1.2 The name of the Club shall be Economics, hereafter referred to as 'the club'.

## 2. Aims & Objectives

- 2.1 The Economics Society aims to inform those interested about the causes and impacts of current economic and socio-political issues.
- 2.2 We aim to host talks, debates, and social events such as trips to economically relevant places.

## 3. Statement of Intent

- 3.1 The constitution, regulations, management and conduct of the club shall abide by all Imperial College Union Policy, and shall be bound by the Imperial College Union Constitution and Regulations.
- 3.2 The club stresses that it abides by the Imperial College Union Equal Opportunities Policy, and that club regulations pertaining to membership of the club and election to management of the club shall not contravene this policy.
- 3.3 The club shall also be governed by the Management Group Standing Orders where the Management Group is determined the New Clubs Committee in the first instance, then as per the Clubs & Societies Policy.

## 4. Membership

- 4.1 The following shall be eligible to become members of the club:
  - 4.1.1 ICU Full Members
  - 4.1.2 ICU Associate Members
  - 4.1.3 ICU Life Members
- 4.2 Any club member who is a full member of ICU shall be a 'full member' of the club, all other members shall be 'associate members' of the club.
- 4.3 All members shall join the club, a membership fee may be set by the club committee but shall not be less than that specified by the ICU Clubs & Societies Board.

## 5. Committee

- 5.1 President
- 5.2 Treasurer
- 5.3 Secretary
- 5.4 Deputy President
- 5.5 Logistics Manager
- 5.6 Marketing Officer
- 5.7 Operations Manager
- 5.8 Web Officer

## 6. Management and Job Descriptions

- 6.1 The Chair shall represent the club on the Management Group Board, and shall be responsible for making sure that the club is run according to the club constitution and Imperial College Union's Code of Conduct for Clubs, Societies & Projects as far as can be reasonably expected.
- 6.2 The Chair and Treasurer shall sign an ICU Financial Responsibility form, and shall be aware of the ICU Financial Regulations.
- 6.3 The Treasurer shall carry out the day to day financial duties of the club.
- 6.4 The President shall - Represent the society to Imperial College and beyond
  - Be responsible for making crucial decisions on behalf of the society
  - Administer the society and organise committee meetings
  - Advise the other committee members.

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6.5 The Deputy President shall - Assist the President

- Overlook the committee
- Find sponsors on behalf of the society.

6.6 The Treasurer shall - Keep track of the society's budget and submit regular budget reports to the rest of the committee

- Create spending plans based on the current budget
- Claim any money spent on behalf of the society to the union using eactivities
- Submit a monthly budget report to the other members of the committee
- Raise funds through membership fees, union subsidies and by other means.

6.7 The Secretary shall - Draft the weekly email updates sent out to the members of the society

- Regularly check the EconSoc email account
- Reply to emails if necessary or alert the Chair of EconSoc
- Keep the EconSoc webpage up to date (not technical)
- Create publicity material for any events organised by the society.

6.8 The Web Officer shall - Update the EconSoc website on a regular basis and after events (currently down at the moment, will get that sorted)

- Manage the EconSoc Facebook page and Twitter account, posting relevant updates and deleting spam messages
- Create promotional materials for upcoming events (posters etc.).

6.9 The Marketing Officer shall - Create promotional material for events organised by the society

- Contact other societies and external organisations for promoting the society's events .

6.10 The Logistics Manager shall - Ensure that all the events organised by the society runs smoothly and with minimal disruption

- Perform risk assessments for organised trips
- Organise travel and accommodation plans for guest speakers.

6.11 The Operations Manager shall - Ensure that all committee members are up to scratch with their committee work

- Assist in any tasks that need to be done by the committee as a whole.

## 7. Committee Meetings

7.1 Committee meetings shall be called by the Chair of the club and held at least monthly.

7.2 At least five College days' notice of a committee meeting must be given to the committee.

7.3 Only committee members may vote at a committee meeting, but full and associate members of the club may be invited and speak.

7.4 Quorum shall be two-thirds of the committee of the club.

7.5 Decision shall be reached by simple majority of the committee members present.

## 8. General Meetings

8.1 A general meeting may be called by the club Chair, quorum of the committee or by ten full members of the club; this must be submitted to the Chair in writing. The general meeting must be held within ten College days of receipt of the proposal.

8.2 General meetings may only be held during undergraduate term time.

8.3 At least five College days' notice of a general meeting must be given to the club membership.

8.4 Only full members of the club may vote at general meetings.

8.5 Quorum of the meeting shall be half of the full club members.

8.6 Decision shall be reached by a simple majority of the full members present.

## 9. Annual General Meeting

9.1 The AGM shall be held during the second term of the academic year, unless permission is obtained from the Deputy President (Clubs & Societies). The AGM shall have as its main business:

9.1.1 The presentation of the report of activities, including financial activities, for the past year.

9.1.2 The election of the committee for the next session.

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9.2 An agenda giving notice of the AGM must be circulated to all club members at least ten College days in advance.

9.3 Nominations for club officers must be posted at least ten days in advance of the meeting and closed before the meeting.

9.3.1 Each nomination shall require one proposer and normally 4 seconders who shall be full members of the club.

9.3.2 In the event of there being no nomination for a post within the stipulated time then nominations may be accepted from the floor at the AGM.

9.4 The quorum of the AGM shall be half of the full members of the club.

9.5 In the event that no person is voted in to a post or of resignation from a position, the Chair will undertake the duties until such time as the post is filled. Elections to fill such a vacant post should take place at a general meeting and shall be subject to the same rules as per AGM.

9.6 Further guidance on elections can be found in the Election Regulations for Imperial College Union.

## 10. Finance

10.1 The club may receive grant from Imperial College Union and shall administer this and any self-generated income in accordance with the Imperial College Union Financial Regulations.

10.2 The club Treasurer will provide the Treasurer of the Management Group with a detailed budget for the following academic year during the first half of the second term of the academic year.

10.3 Budgets for events shall be submitted to the Management Group Treasurer and/or the Deputy President (Finance & Services) for inspection and approval in accordance with the Financial Regulations no later than two weeks before the date of the event.

## 11. Health & Safety

11.1 The club acknowledges its duty of care to its members and will abide by Imperial College Union's Health & Safety Policy, and Imperial College Union's Code of Conduct for Clubs, Societies & Projects.

11.2 The club will submit an annual Risk Assessment to the Deputy President (Clubs & Societies) for its activities.

## 12. Additional Activities

## 13. Constitution

13.1 The Constitution shall only be altered by consent of two-thirds majority of the full members present at a general meeting. The Management Group shall approve any such alterations.

13.2 This Constitution shall be binding on the club officers and members, and all other constitutions are hereby revoked.

13.3 This Constitution has been approved in accordance with 13.1. above, and accepted as the Constitution for Economics on 17/04/2015 by Kangbo Lee and Tom Rivlin