

STATUTE

Of the Scientific Corporation under the name “Greek Association of Image Processing and Digital Media” (E.E.Ψ.M.)

Article 1st

Foundation-Registered Office

The Scientific Corporation is founded under the name “Greek Association of Image Processing and Digital Media” (E.E.Ψ.M.) and the English name “Greek Association of Image Processing and Digital Media (G.A.I.P.D.M.)” with Registered-Office in Thessaloniki. It has a round seal with the written words Greek Association of Image Processing and Digital Media (E.E.Ψ.M.) and the foundation-year 2001.

Article 2nd

Aims-Activities

Aims of the Corporation are the following:

The main aim of the G.A.I.P.D.M. is the images-and signals processing and analysis, the recognition of models and relative sectors.

An importance is granted to the realization of lectures, seminars, intensive lessons and remotely, lessons, organizing of congresses and one-day conferences, creation of libraries, care and issue of magazines and books, as well as to the carrying out of studies and searches, awarding of prizes and granting of scholarships.

The G.A.I.P.D.M. undertakes and carries out relative education-activities, develops contacts on international level and exchanges relative scientific information, issues scientific printed matter, as magazines, information-pamphlets etc. It undertakes and performs or participates in searching programs of national, European and in general of international bearers, it invites scientists of recognized authority for lectures and exchange of scientific judgments. It contracts and joins similar scientific associations or unions of interior or abroad with similar aims and subject for the promotion of unique programs, it accedes to similar unions in Greece or in abroad, creates groups or committees of special interests and maintains sites for the better and most perfect communication and informing of its members. It attends every new evolution of Technology, so that he participates in every innovation and possibility that the new evolution offers.

The G.A.I.P.D.M. in none case functions as speculative corporation. All revenues are disposed for its aims.

For the fulfillment of these aims, the G.A.I.P.D.M. will address itself to every Public and Private Educational Organization, Authority and Service, Organization of Local Self-administration, State-Services and Government Organs, in Greece and abroad for the promotion of the scientific conclusions and exchange of scientific information with purpose the promotion of the science.

The G.A.I.P.D.M. is able to fulfill its aims with the organizing of seminars and coaching-lessons, with the creation and care of publications and granting of information, relative to its sector.

Article 3rd

Members

Greek citizens can become members of the G.A.I.P.D.M. if they have completed the twenty-first (21st) year of their age and are interested in the development and promotion of the scientific sectors under the article 2.

Article 4th

Quality of member

The registration of every member takes place on his request and after the approval of the Board of Directors. A member of the G.A.I.P.D.M. is cancelled, when he asks it himself, as well as when he does not fulfill his economic obligations for more than one (1) year and does not settle his debt in two months since the advice of the Board of Directors.

Article 5th

Rights of the members

The members of the G.A.I.P.D.M. participate in the General Meetings, they introduce many items, elect and they are elected at the Board of Directors of the corporation and the Supervisory Council according to the proceedings of the Law and Statute.

Article 6th

Obligations of the members

Every member of the G.A.I.P.D.M. has the obligation:

- a) To contribute with whichever way to the realization of the aims of the G.A.I.P.D.M.
- b) To fulfill on time his economic obligations to the Corporation.

Article 7th

Contribution

For the first two years since the foundation of the Corporation the registration-right to the Corporation is defined to ten thousand (10.000) Drachmas (29,34 EURO) and the contribution to ten thousand (10.000) Drachmas per year (29,34 EURO). In the future the General Meeting will decide with a decision, which will be taken with a simple majority.

Article 8th

Resources of the Corporation are the registration-rights and the regular contributions of members, contributions, donations, state-allowances, subsidies through national, European or international programs, grantings of private bearers, inheritances, legacies and incomes from the organizing of different manifestations.

ORGANS OF THE CORPORATION

Article 9th

Organs of the Corporation are: a) The General Meeting b) The Supervisory Council.

Article 10th

GENERAL MEETING

The General Meeting consists the superior organ of the G.A.I.P.D.M. and it decides about every item, which does not belong to the competence of other organs. Items of exclusive competence of the General Meeting are the decisions, which concern the modification of the Statute, the transfer of the registered-Office, the dissolution of the Corporation, voting of the interior function-regulation, joining of the G.A.I.P.D.M. other Greek Unions, Corporations or corresponding Unions and Organizations of abroad.

The Regular General Meeting is convoked by the Board of Directors per year for the approval of the Balance- Sheet and Statement of receipts and disbursements at the first semester of every next year, and extraordinarily when the Board of Directors decides or when a written application with concrete themes is submitted, which are written in request, by the 1/5 of the members who have fulfilled their economic obligations. In extraordinary cases and with the keeping of the presuppositions of this Statute, the Supervisory Council can convoke the Meeting with a unanimous decision of it.

The convocation of the General Meeting must be announced to the members at least eight (8) days before, with a written invitation, with a letter or a fax or e-mail, which must mention obligatorily the place, the day, time and the items of the agenda.

The General Meeting is in quorum, when the 1/3 at least of the members participate, who are settled with the Cashier's Office. According to the explicit order of the Law, for the attainment of quorum, represented members are not calculated together, who are absent because of a personal impediment and have authorized in writing to vote for the items of the agenda, which are comprised at the invitation. If a quorum is not realized on base of the present members, a new General Meeting is convoked on the corresponding day of next week, at the same place and time with the same items of agenda and then it is in quorum with whoever members, who are present.

Members, who cannot be present at the session of the General Meeting and who are not calculated at the quorum according to the above, can be represented in writing by another member. None member may represent more than two (2) absent members.

The decisions of the General Meeting are taken with the absolute majority of the present members with the lifting of the hand, except if it concerns the election of organs, a personal matter or a cancellation-decision, and then the voting is secret.

After the ascertainment of the quorum and before the debate of the items, the Meeting elects the President and the Secretary, who can be members of the Corporation or third persons too, who intend to facilitate the procedure.

The President conducts the works of the Meeting, sets the items in voting and signs with Secretary the minutes of the Meeting.

At the Regular General Meeting the Board of Directors, who withdraw, renders an account, the report of the Supervisory Council is read, the budget of next year is submitted for approval and decisions are taken on themes of the agenda. The Regular General Meeting elects the Board of Directors and the Supervisory Council for two years.

The candidates are submitted to the General Meeting till the day of debate. The President and the Secretary of the General Meeting are elected by the Meeting for the management of the works and keeping of minutes. A three-members Supervisory Committee is always elected for the carrying out of elections, from members, who are not candidate for offices of the Corporation, with the participation of a Lawyer optionally as President of the Supervisory Committee. In case of tie of the two (2) or more members for the occupation of the last position of councilor a lottery takes place. After the end of

the election and nomination of the new members of the Board of Directors a minute is drawn up by the Supervisory Committee, where the losing candidates with the nomination-turn are mentioned, according to the votes, which they have received. The minute is delivered to the new Board of Directors and the Supervisory Committee is released from its duties.

Article 11th

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors consists of seven (7) members and they are elected with a secret voting and ballots by the General Meeting for two years, unless the nomination of the organs takes place with a unanimous decision. It consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Cashier and 3 members. Every member of the Board of Directors can be elected again, except if he is condemned by final judgment for a disgraceful or economic felony or misdemeanor with a penalty at least of three (3) months or if he does not fulfill his economic and rest obligations to the Corporation. None member may serve at the Board under the quality of the President for the more than two (2) successive services. The Board of Directors appoints a person, who represents the G.A.I.P.D.M. in abroad and especially at the International Association for Pattern Recognition, it authorizes him to participate at the General Meetings with right of vote, as well as to rest similar unions, corporations or associations of the interior.

Article 12th

Formation

With an invitation of the councilor who has the majority of votes, the Board of Directors elects with voting the President, Vice-President, Secretary and the Cashier of the Corporation at the first Meeting after its election.

Further the competences and duties are defined, beyond the Law and Statute, eith decisions of the Meeting and the Board of Directors.

Article 13th

Representation of the Corporation-Competences

The court or extra judicial representation of the Corporation is according to the Law collective and for this reason the Board of Directors is entitled to authorize with a special decision of it and with the drawing up of a minute of the Board, the President, the Vice-President, a member of the Board, a Lawyer or a third person for the performance of concrete representation-acts or carrying out of transactions.

Further the President of the Board of Directors represents the Corporation before any Court and every competent Authority, directs the Meetings, sets the items in voting, represents the Corporation before any Authority and signs with the Secretary together all documents and with the Cashier the money-warrants of payments. When the President is absent or is impeded, he is substituted by the Vice-President of the Board of Directors in all competences.

Article 14th

Meetings-Decisions

The Board of Directors holds meetings in regular time-intervals and extraordinarily when there is a necessity or on request of two of its members. It is in quorum, when the half of the members plus one, are present at the Meeting. Eventual transition-expenses,

travel-expenses or rest expenses of the members of the Board of Directors are not covered by the Corporation economically.

The decisions are taken with a relative majority. In case of tie the making of the decision is postponed and the vote of the President does not prevail. The Board of Directors informs the members of the Corporation about its decisions.

The members of the Board of Directors who leave or disappear with whichever reason, are substituted by the supplementary ones with the success-turn at the elections.

It allowed the Meeting through electronic telemeeting-machines in real time, in order the participation of the members of the Board of Directors to be facilitated at the debate and making of decisions, in spite of that they are not able temporarily to go to the place of the Meeting. Further the Minute of the Meeting is written or typed in "Book of Minutes, Decisions of Board of Directors" and is signed by members, who were present or participated with immediate electronic access in order to be affirmed the correct formulation of the decisions and eventual aspects of the minority.

Article 15th

The Secretary keeps the correspondence of the Corporation, the Books of Minutes of the Board of Directors and General Meetings, the archives, the Register of members, he signs with President all documents and keeps the seal of the Corporation.

Article 16th

The Cashier manages the property of the Corporation, does the collections with duplicate receipts and payments with payment-warrants, keeps the Cash-Book and the end of the year, he draws up the statement of receipts and disbursements of the previous financial year and the budget of the new financial year.

The revenues of the Corporation, which come from whichever resource, are deposited to a Bank, except of a small amount, which is defined with the decision of the Board of Directors by a decision of the Board of Directors, which the Cashier keeps for the confrontment of immediate necessities. Whichever collection of money from the Bank needs the signatures of the President and the Cashier of the Corporation. In case that the Cashier is impeded, he is substituted by another member of the Board of Directors with a decision of it.

Article 17th

Supervisory Council

The Supervisory Council consists of two (2) members, it controls the economic acts of the Board of Directors, draws up the relative report, which is read during the Regular General Meeting obligatorily.

The Supervisory Council is elected during the Regular General Meeting and its service lasts for two years as of the Board of Directors too. In case of waiver of all ordinary members of the Board of Directors or inability for attainment of quorum, the Supervisory Council undertakes the administration and management of the Corporation's property, which convokes within 15 days the General Meeting for the nomination of the new Board of Directors. It controls the management of the treasury twice (2) a year.

The Supervisory Council and every member of it separately has the right of access to every document, Book and justificatory-document of the Corporation, being obliged to keep the due secrecy with penalty of forfeiture.

Eventual irregularities must be mentioned directly to the members of the Board of Directors in wide Council and in serious cases, after the notification, an Extraordinary General Meeting will be convoked if it results responsibility of a member or members of the Board of Directors, which cause forfeiture from their duties. In case of refusal of the Board of Directors to convoke the General Meeting although there are irregularities and bad management and has been summoned by the Supervisory Council to take measures, the Meeting is entitled to convoke the Supervisory Council with a unanimous decision of the members, which is notified to the members with the same terms and formulations, which are foreseen at the Statute.

MODIFICATION- DISSOLUTION

Article 18th

A modification of the Statute can take place with the convoked of the General Meeting with special theme the modification of the Statute. The articles, which are going to be modified, are registered at the agenda, which is notified to the members. The presence of more than the half members, who have fulfilled their economic obligations, demanded for the quorum. For the making of a valid decision for the modification of the Statute the majority of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the present members is demanded.

Article 19th

Decision of dissolution-Transfer of property

The Corporation is dissolved with a decision of the General Meeting and with the presence of the half at the least members and the majority of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the present ones. The property of the Corporation after its dissolution will be given to similar Corporations or under the form of donation to Highest or Higher Education Institutions exclusively for the materialization of the Corporation's aims and especially for the promotion of the quality of scientific conclusions and studies, unless the General Meeting, which will decide the dissolution, defines otherwise. However it is excluded according to the Law the apportionment of the Corporation's property among the members.

Article 20th

Whatever, which is not foreseen by the Statute, is arranged with a decision of the Board of Directors according to the legislation and decisions of the General Meeting.

This Statute, consisted by twenty (20) articles was read and debated per article and totally, was approved and voted by all the founding members at the Founding Meeting, which took place on the 4th of December 2001 in Thessaloniki and was signed as it follows:

<u>The Founders</u>	<u>Signature</u>
1. Ioannis Andreadis	(Signature)
2. Konstantinos Diamantaras	//
3. Alexandros Eleutheriadis	//
4. Serafim Efstratiadis	//

5. Michael Zervakis
6. Georgios Ioannidis
7. Stavros Karkanis
8. Stephanos Kollias
9. Konstantinos Kotropoulos
10. Vasilios Mertzios
11. Thomas Papatomas
12. Nikolaos Papamarkos
13. Maria Petrou
14. Ioannis Pitas
15. Konstantinos Plataniotis
16. Gerasimos Potamianos
17. Athanasios Skodras
18. Michael- Gerasimos Strintzis
19. Panayiotis Trahanias
20. Christodoulos Hamzas

Thessaloniki 4th December 2001