

7. Regulations of the CICA Youth Council

REGULATIONS OF THE YOUTH COUNCIL OF THE CONFERENCE ON INTERACTION AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES IN ASIA

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1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1 The Youth Council of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (hereinafter referred to as "CICA Youth Council") shall be an advisory body responsible for coordinating the activities of its member youth organizations, associations and movements of the Member States of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (hereinafter referred to as "CICA").

1.2 The CICA Youth Council shall promote comprehensive cooperation among the CICA Member States towards strengthening interaction, peace and friendship in Asia.

1.3 The following regulations are based on the premise that cooperation among youth is essential for sustainable development of relations among CICA Member States in socio-economic and humanitarian fields.

1.4 The CICA Youth Council shall perform its tasks in conformity with all basic documents of CICA. The CICA Youth Council shall function under the guidance of governing bodies of CICA and in close interaction with the CICA Secretariat.

2. OBJECTIVES AND THRUSTS OF CICA YOUTH COUNCIL

2.1 The main objectives of CICA Youth Council shall be as follows:

2.1.1 to promote effective regional cooperation among national youth organizations of CICA Member States;

2.1.2 to encourage the youth of CICA Member States to participate in implementation of youth policy of CICA Member States;

2.1.3 to promote direct contacts and communication among youth organizations of CICA Member States;

2.1.4 to promote the development of civil culture and gender equality in order to implement the youth projects of CICA Member States;

2.1.5 to elaborate recommendations and proposals to improve the conditions for cooperation in the interest of the youth in CICA;

2.1.6 to exchange information with a view to developing cooperation among national youth organizations/associations/movements of CICA Member States;

2.1.7 to develop plans/programmes of cooperation among national youth organizations/associations/movements of CICA Member States in the fields of: sensitizing youth about democratic norms of behavior; developing attitude of gender equality among youth; cultural exchange; sports; and education;

2.1.8 to implement projects and holding events for youth of CICA Member States, including public campaigns, intergovernmental youth activities, discussion clubs, roundtables, youth forums and conferences;

3. BASIC PRINCIPLES

3.1 The international youth cooperation of CICA Member States is based on the following principles:

3.1.1 Democracy;

3.1.2 Respect for the rights and freedoms of the youth;

3.1.3 Equal opportunities for the youth of CICA Member States, regardless of nationality, social status, gender, language and religion.

4. STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONING OF CICA YOUTH COUNCIL

4.1 The CICA Youth Council shall comprise of two representatives nominated by each Member State. The representatives of the Member States nominated to the CICA Youth Council shall be:

- One representative of governmental agency;
- One representative of public youth organizations or other organizations/ associations engaged in the youth policy.

4.2 Executive Director of CICA and a representative of CICA Secretariat nominated by the Executive Director shall be ex-officio members of CICA Youth Council.

4.3 Nominated members of the CICA Youth Council, while performing their functions, shall be governed by the internal regulations of the

4.4 Meetings of CICA Youth Council shall be convened respective sending states. when necessary but not less than once a year and shall have the necessary quorum when a majority of CICA Youth Council Member States is present.

4.5 CICA Youth Council may hold extraordinary meetings at the initiative of any Member State and with the consent of all other participating Member States. The Member State shall send the request to the Chairperson of CICA Youth Council with the proposals for agenda, dates and venue of the meeting not later than 30 days prior to holding extraordinary meeting.

4.6 Venue and date of a regular meeting shall be notified by the host country.

4.7 Decisions of the CICA Youth Council shall be made according to the rule of consensus and be recommendatory in nature.

4.8 Expenses for business trips of the delegates to CICA Youth Council meetings shall be covered by the sending side.

4.9 Expenses related to organizational and technical arrangements for holding Council's meeting shall be covered by the host side.

5. CHAIRPERSON OF CICA YOUTH COUNCIL

5.1 Representative of the current CICA Chair shall perform functions of the Chairperson of CICA Youth Council. Coordinator and Co-coordinator of CICA Human Dimension shall be co-Chairpersons of CICA Youth Council. The Chairperson shall work under the guidance of, and, in close coordination with Special Working Group and Senior Officials Committee of CICA and shall exercise the following duties with the assistance of the CICA Secretariat:

5.1.1 prepare draft agenda of meetings of CICA Youth Council;

5.1.2 organize meetings of CICA Youth Council in coordination with the host county and provide technical

support to such meetings;

5.1.3 oversee the implementation of decisions taken at the meetings of CICA Youth Council;

5.1.4 provide the Focal Points (National Coordinators) of the CICA Youth Council with the copies of documents adopted at the meetings of the CICA Youth Council;

5.2 The Chairperson may invite representatives of the relevant government bodies of CICA Member States, and/or youth organizations/associations/movements, who are not the members of CICA Youth Council to participate as guests in the meetings of CICA Youth Council, subject to the approval of SOC.

6. FINAL PROVISIONS

6.1 The working languages of the CICA Youth Council shall be English and Russian.

6.2 The language of the official documents to be signed or adopted shall be English.

6.3 The present Regulations shall enter into force from the date of their adoption by CICA Senior Officials Committee.

6.4 The present Regulations may be amended by the decision of the CICA Senior Officials Committee upon recommendations of CICA Youth Council. The corresponding decision shall enter into force from the date of its adoption.

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