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### Article 1 NAME

This organization is named the "International Dental Collaboration of the Mekong River Region", herein referred to as the IDCMR.

### Article 2 OBJECTIVES

The IDCMR has been established in 2004 to provide a network for academic cooperation, to

- 1. Collaborate in education and training, including the development of institutional links in all level for dental personals.
- 2. Promote practical points in education programs more relevant to meet oral health quality in the region.
- 3. Enhance the capacity of member institutes through faculty members and students exchange, and develop training modules for human resource developments.
- 4. Provide research activity and assist creating new innovative ideas to be used in research suitable for the region.
- 5. Exchange consultation and technical expertise to improve national oral health care programs of the member institutions.

### Article 3 ORGANIZATION

IDCMR is a non-profit organization. The secretariat office shall be located in the Faculty of Dentistry, Mahidol University, Bangkok, Thailand.

### Article 4 MEMBERSHIP

### 4.1 Membership Categories

Category 1 Active Member

University Dental Schools of the countries of the Mekong River Region and Southeast Asia

# Active Membership Benefits

- o Participation in the IDCMR annual congress with member rate fees.
- Participation in the Dean Meeting in the IDCMR annual congress with the right to speak and vote.
- The right to approve or disapprove new IDCMR members
- Faculty staff/ students could apply for the IDCMR Scholarship provided by Mahidol University Faculty of Dentistry

# Category 2 Affiliated Member

National Dental educational bodies and institutions not eligible for category1 member.

# Affiliated Membership Benefits

- o Participation in the IDCMR annual congress with member rate fees.
- Participation in the Dean Meeting in the IDCMR annual congress with the right to speak but will not be able to vote.

# 4.2 Application

Applications shall be approved by the Executive Committee on a periodic basis. New members may immediately receive a probationary membership upon submission of application and payment, and will become official members upon review of their application.

# 4.3 Termination of Membership

- a. Membership may be terminated automatically by a member upon delivery of a formal notice of resignation to the secretariat office.
- b. Members are terminated from membership after 90 days of non-payment of dues.

### Article 5 FINANCES

The Executive Committee shall approve and adjust the amount of the annual dues for the various membership categories during general meeting. The finance year shall correspond with the calendar year, i.e. 1 January to 31 December.

## Article 6 OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of the IDCMR shall be English, and all correspondence or meeting shall be conducted in English. Meetings of the IDCMR Congress shall be conducted in English and, at the discretion of the host country, the host country's language. Notwithstanding this provision, simultaneous translations of scientific sessions of the IDCMR Congress to other languages as feasible is recommended.

### Article 7 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The executive committee shall be the administrative body of IDCMR.

The Executive Committee shall consist of the following:

- The President
- The President Elect/ The immediate Past President
- Secretary General
- Treasurer and Registrar
- The Central Committee

### Article 8 MEETINGS

### 1. General Sessions

The time and place of each annual general session shall be determined by the IDCMR executive committee.

### 2. Scientific Sessions

The arrangement for the scientific program of each annual general session shall be made in accordance with the instructions from the executive committee.

## Article 9 RULES AND PROCEDURES

A list of rules and procedures may be approved by the executive committee. The rules and procedures are intended to lay down various points not provided by these BYLAWS, in particular points related to the internal administration of the IDCMR.

# **Article 10 AMENDMENTS**

These BYLAWS may be amended at any session of the General Assembly by a two-thirds majority, provided that the proposed amendments shall have been submitted in writing at a previous General Assembly or provided that such amendment has been submitted in writing to the members of IDCMR not less than six weeks before the date on which the vote is taken.