LAW ON ACADEMY OF SCIENCE AND ARTS OF KOSOVO

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1.

1.1. Academy of Science and Arts of Kosovo (“The Academy”) is the supreme institution of science and arts in Kosovo established by the Assembly of Kosovo.

1.2. In relation to the work, The Academy reports to the Assembly of Kosovo.

Article 2.

2.1. The Academy is an independent institution in the area of science and arts,

2.2. The Academy’s activity is of special public and national interest.

2.3. The public and national interest of the Academy is expressed in exercising its activity in the area of science and art, which includes cultivation, stimulation and development of scientific thinking and artistic creativity.
Article 3.
3.1. The Residence of Academy is located in Prishtina.
3.2. The Academy has its own emblem.

Article 4.
The Academy is a public legal person with the rights, duties and responsibilities in accordance with this Law and pursuant to the Statute of the Academy and its other specific normative acts.

Article 5.
The activities of the Academy are financed from the Budget of Kosova.

II. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

Article 6.
Purpose of the Academy:
The Academy stimulates, develops and promotes scientific thinking and artistic creativity by:

a). Participation in creating scientific activity and artistic creativity policies;
b). Evaluation of the existing circumstances and the proposal to take measures to advance the scientific thinking and improve the quality of the Artistic creativity;
c). Reviewing general problems in the areas of the scientific activity and the artistic creativity;
d). Organizing the scientific and research work with theoretical and practical character in the different areas of knowledge and the Arts through meetings, round tables, consultations, symposiums, scientific conferences and the appropriate forms of expressing the artistic creativity, as exhibitions, concerts etc.;
e). Publishing its own regular and periodical publications in the area of science and art;
f). Internal and international co-operation with corresponding institutions in the area of science and art;
g). Creating condition for abroad exchange of the scientific thinking and artistic creativity;
h). Frequently improving working conditions for the members of the Academy, and
i). Carrying out other activities of special interest for Kosova and its people, relying on the rights and obligations of the Academy to be suggestive and consultative institution for science and art development in Kosova, complying with the needs of country development.
Article 7.
In order to advance the scientific-research and artistic work with general interest for the science and art in Kosova, the Academy shall establish Academy’s divisions, study foundations, scientific and arts units and study centers.

Article 8.
The rights, duties and responsibilities of the Academy originate from its general objectives and, in particular, they include the following:

a). Planning of scientific-research and artistic work in accordance with its possibilities of fulfilling them;

b). Willingness of the Academy to accept new members in accordance with its highest standards of its scientific activity and artistic creativity;

c). Regular cooperation with its counterparts in the region, in Europe and globally as well as with international scientific organizations due to scientific and artistic mutual communication and for integration into worldwide scientific flows;

d). Carrying out projects with the purpose of building the overall development strategies of the country and their implementation in practice;

e). The work in joint projects with similar institutions in Albanian territory, with the purpose of preserving, protecting and developing the values of national cultural and linguistic inheritance of the Albanian people and building its future;

f). The work in joint projects of studying and developing cultures in Kosova; and

g). Rights, duties and other responsibilities specified in the Statute of the Academy and its other specific normative-acts.

III. ORGANIZIMI DHE UDHËHEQJA E AKADEMISË

Article 9.

9.1. Scientific and artistic activity at the Academy is developed within divisions, scientific study cores, scientific and artistic units and other study centers.

9.2. The divisions implement the rights, duties and responsibilities of the Academy in the scientific and artistic fields established, thereof.

9.3. Regular and part-time members perform in the Academy’s divisions in relevant scientific and artistic fields.

9.4. Each regular and part-time member of the Academy can be a part of only one division of one field or relevant scientific and artistic unit.

9.5. The Secretary of the division conducts the division’s work.

9.6. The Director or the relevant leading body conducts the work of scientific and artistic units and other study centers.

9.7. The Statute of the Academy and its specific normative-acts regulates the set up and the work of the divisions and units, respectively other study centers of the Academy in detail.
Article 10.
Academy’s bodies are: the Assembly, Board and the Chairman.

Article 11.
The Assembly of the Academy

11.1. The Assembly of the Academy is its summit governing body.
11.2. All regular and part-time members constitute the Assembly of the Academy.
11.3. In the sessions of the Assembly of the Academy can participate other external members with no right of voting.
11.4. The Board of the Academy convokes the sessions of the Assembly of the Academy on its own or by the proposal of at least two divisions of the Academy or by the ten (10) regular and part time members of the Academy.

Article 12.
The Assembly of the Academy:

a). Approves the Statute of the Academy;
b). Approves or issues the regulations or different normative acts that regulate certain relations in the activity of the Academy;
c). Approves the program of the Academy’s work;
d). Approves the Financial Plan and the Final account of the Academy;
e). Appoints the regular and part time members of the Academy;
f). Appoints and dismisses the President, the Vice President, and the General Secretary of the Academy;
g). Certifies the selection of the Secretaries of the Divisions of the Academy;
h). Accomplishes other duties determined by this Law and by the Statute of the Academy.

Article 13.

13.1. The Assembly of the Academy of Kosova can meet and make a decision in the presence of the majority of the regular and part time members.
13.2. To approve The Statute of the Academy, to appoint the President, to appoint the Vice President and the General Secretary, to certify the selection of the secretaries of the Academy’s divisions and to select the part time and external members of the Academy, it is necessary to have the majority of the number of votes of all regular and part time members of the Academy.
13.3. To select the regular members of the Academy it is necessary to have the majority of votes of all regular members of the Academy.
Article 14.
The Board of the Academy

14.1. The Board of the Academy is consisted by the President, Vice President, the General Secretary and the secretaries of the Academy’s divisions.

14.2. Regarding its activities, the Board of the Academy reports to the Assembly of the Academy.

14.3. The Board implements the decisions and statements of the Assembly of the Academy.

Article 15.
The President of the Academy

15.1. The President of the Academy represents and presents the Academy.

15.2. The President of Academy is responsible for the legitimacy of the Academy’s work.

15.3. In relation to the work, The President of Academy reports to the Assembly of the Academy, whilst, it reports to the Board within the rights and duties of the Board of the Academy.

IV. MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMY

Article 16.

16.1. The regular members, part time members, external members and the honorary member constitute the Academy.

16.2. Being a member of the Academy is a permanent membership.

Article 17.

17.1. Science and arts workers, due to their special achievements in the field of science and arts, can be appointed as regular and part time members of the Academy.

17.2. Only the regular members of Academy shall be entitled to be assigned as-Academician.

17.3. Science and arts workers, which are permanent residents of Kosova and whose accomplishments present the peak of achievement in the science and arts field and are very valuable inside and abroad the country, shall be appointed as the regular members of the Academy.

Article 18.

Science and arts workers, permanent residents of Kosova, who have accomplished scientific achievements with a specific importance, shall be appointed as part time members.
Article 19.
Science and arts workers, who live and work abroad, but have accomplished important achievements essential to Kosova or general value for science and arts, shall be appointed as external members of the Academy.

Article 20.
As Honorable members of the Academy shall be appointed eminent scientific and arts inventors who are not residents of Kosova, but with their achievements became generally known to the science and art world and who have given assistance to Kosova.

Article 21.
The Statute and other normative acts of the Academy determine the recommendation, voting and appointing procedures for the members of the Academy.

Article 22.
Elections for the Academy’s member shall be every four years.

Article 23.
Upon the appointment of the regular and part time members, the rights, duties and responsibilities are assigned under this Law and the Statute of the Academy for the members of the Academy.

Article 24.
24.1. Regular and part time members of the Academy with a permanent residence in Kosova are entitled to permanent monthly remuneration.

24.2. Members of the Board namely: President, Vice President, General Secretary and secretaries of the divisions are entitled to monthly remuneration according to their functions.

24.3. The criteria and amount for the permanent monthly remuneration for the regular and part time members of the Academy as well as for the members of the Board of the Academy are specified by appropriate decision by the Board of the Academy.

V. PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Article 25.
25.1. The administrative, and technical services are performed by the Academy’s Administration.

25.2. The Secretary of the Academy leads the Academy’s Administration.

25.3. The Secretary of the Academy shall be appointed by the public announcement in a period of four years and can be reappointed.

25.4. The Secretary reports to the President and the Board of the Academy.
VI. ASSETS OF THE ACADEMY

Article 26.

26.1. The assets and the funding for the activities of the Academy are provided by the Budget of Kosova, on a specific way.

26.1. The funds from the budget of Kosova are provided for the activity of the divisions and units and other study centers of the Academy, work of managing bodies of the Academy, international cooperation of the Academy, regular and periodical publishing activities of the Academy, enhancement of the library of the Academy, permanent monthly remuneration to the regular and part time members of the Academy, remunerations for performing specific functions at the Academy, permanent monthly salaries to the employees for professional and technical and maintenance services of the Academy.

26.3. The Academy’s projects are financed based on the tendering process.

26.4. The Academy can provide funds from donations and sponsors and those funds can use for its supplementary activity.

26.5. The Academy can provide other additional funds for the scientific research and arts activity of its regular and part time members through its activities, mutual scientific research and art agreements and through donations or grants or upon any other legally permitted conditions.

Article 27.

The Academy is the owner of its assets.

VII. TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 28.

The Academy should harmonize its organization and performance, the Statute and other normative acts of the Academy with this law within six months from the date of entry into force of this Law.

Article 29.

The President, Vice President, General Secretary and secretaries of the divisions of the Academy shall carry out their assigned duties up to their mandatory appointment deadline expires.

Article 30.

The preceding Academy’s Law expires on the date of the entry into force of this Law.

Article 31.

This Law shall enter into force after it is approved by the Assembly and on the date that it is promulgated by the SRSG.

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