





## 3rd October 2023

The following changes are presented as amendments to the OPS statute attached below.

**Point 4.2.2**: OPS members will be elected every 2 years through General Elections.

<u>Point 4.2.3:</u> OPS members can be elected from all three study levels i.e Bachelors, Masters and PhD without a limit on how many are elected from each level.

<u>Point 7.1:</u> The OPS Board Members and the President are constitutionally bound to hold a fair and free election at the end of their tenure. The tenure length will be a maximum of 2 years.

**Point 7.6:** All winning candidates will be eligible to participate in the next election as well.

Signatures of the OPS Board

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All 7 board member unanimously agreed to make these changes. The details of the board members can be found below.

# **OPS Board 2023**

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# Organization of Pakistani Students in Torino

## CONSTITUTION

## Organization of Pakistani Students in Politecnico di Torino

The name of the organization shall be "Organization of Pakistani Students in Politecnico di Torino" hereafter abbreviated as "OPS Torino".

- OPS Torino will work as a non-political, non-religious and non-profiting organization. 2.1
- The OPS Torino shall abide by any applicable laws, by-laws and guidelines of the 2.2 Politecnico in relation to recognized organizations.
- The OPS Torino believes that discrimination or harassment (direct or indirect) based on personal gender, age (except where it relates to licensing laws), race, color, nationality, religious believes, socioeconomic background, disability, HIV status, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, family situation, domestic responsibilities or any other irrelevant distinction, is detrimental to the OPS, the Politecnico and wider society, and shall not be tolerated.

### Objectives

- To provide assistance and coordination to Pakistani students at Politecnico di Torino during and at the start of study sessions egarding following activities:
  - Community
  - Academic
  - Didactic
  - Administrative
- To assist and guide Pakistani student to learn Italian culture and language and develop liaison and coordination with Italian system of education and Italian society in general.
- To promote acquaintance about Pakistani national culture among other nationalities' people at Politecnico with the help of occasional and cultural activities.
- Where needed, to develop coordination with Politecnico authorities and other recognized 3.4 organizations for the sake of fulfilling OPS objectives.
- Where required and where possible the OPS will provide professional development and 3.5 career counseling services to its inember students.
- Where needed and where possible, to link member students with agencies in the community 3.6 for volunteer work.
- Where possible, to promote cooperation between its members and various academic and non-academic organizations.
- To provide opportunities for the expression of student opinion within the Politecnico on 3.8 matters of interest to members.
- Where possible to provide such non-commercial services as may from time to time be 3.9 required by its members.





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## **Board of Management**

### Definition

- 4.1.1 The board of Management of OPS Torino will be hereafter abbreviated as "OPS Board"
- The OPS Board will be a central organ and will work as its coordination body for the internal as well as external affairs of OPS Torino.

### Membership

- 4.2.1 The members of OPS board will be the representatives of the students of their respective domain (academic level).
- 4.2.2 The members of OPS board will be selected every year through Annual General Elections.
- 4.2.3 Two representatives will be selected as OPS board members from each level of studies i.e bachelors, masters and PhD.
- 4.2.4 There will be seven members of OPS board that will be headed by a member elected as the President. The criteria for the selection of the president and his responsibilities are mentioned in upcoming clauses.
- The seventh member of OPS board will be nominated and selected by the president in consultation with the other board members.

#### Responsibilities 4.3

- 4.3.1 The OPS board will ensure the dignity and implementation of OPS constitution in all
- 4.3.2 The OPS board will act as the central decision making and organizing body.
- 4.3.3 The OPS board is responsible to fairly represent, coordinate and communicate among the various wings of the OPS.
- All members of the OPS board are supposed to co-ordinate and follow the presidents' decisions and instructions for various assignments likely to be related to management, finance or any other OPS functions.

Note: All responsibilities of the OPS board as mentioned above are meant for the individual members as well.

#### Efficiency and Discipline 4.4

- Being the OPS board member and elected for representing the fellow students is a great honor for all the members. It, at the same time, implies some utmost requirements of moral character, efficiency, discipline and obedience to the constitution. Failing to which can cause proceedings against the accused party under efficiency and disciplinary clause of the constitution as mentioned below:
  - 4.4.1 (a) In such circumstances where an OPS board member is found inefficient or violating the laws, by-laws or the constitution, the president OPS board can issue a show cause notice to the concerned member of the OPS board. However where needed the president can also hold an investigation of the matter to find facts.
  - On the basis of the severity of the violation and the reply of the show cause notice, the president will decide to issue the advice or the warning notification to the accused party. However in case of highly severe violation, the accused party can also be asked to resign, compulsory retired or disqualified of the membership of the OPS board by the president.
  - In circumstances where the concerned party/ board member 4.4.1 © fails to improve his/her conduct despite issuance of advice / warning notice,





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the president can issue another warning notice to the accused party or in case of highly severe circumstances the above mentioned options of expulsion can be practiced by the president.

4.4.1 (d) Under any circumstances where a position has been vacated, the OPS board is responsible to hold election to elect the new representative from the concerned students' domain.

4.4.1 (e) The member disqualified as the result of efficiency and disciplinary proceedings will not be eligible to contest any future elections.

## 5. President OPS Board

### 5.1 Definition

The president will be the constitutional head of the organization. The incumbent will be responsible for the overall functions of the OPS.

- 5.2 Selection and Responsibilities
- 5.2.1 The President will be elected amongst the OPS board members in first meeting after the annual general elections.
- 5.2.2 The candidate getting majority of votes will be elected as the president.

The responsibilities of the president will include:

- 5.2.3 To represent the OPS at all times to faculty, staff, administration and other student groups at Politecnico.
- 5.2.4 To convene the periodic and annual general meetings.
- 5.2.5 To present the detailed performance and progress of the OPS (in Annual General Meeting).

## 5.3 Vote of Confidence

- 5.3.1 In circumstances where the president is not able to perform his responsibilities efficiently or has been accused of violating the constitution or under any other compelling circumstances, a board member (excluding president) can demand to the president to get a vote of confidence.
- 5.3.2 The demand for a vote of confidence will be legal binding on the president if it is supported by  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the board members (excluding president).
- 5.3.3 The President would have to show a simple majority of the members supporting his presidentship through vote of confidence. Failing to which, the president would lose his position.
- 5.3.4 Under any circumstances where the post of the president gets vacated the OPS board is responsible to hold election to elect the new president.

## 6. Membership

- 6.1 All the Pakistani students enrolled/ registered at Politecnico are members of OPS Torino. However the students enrolled at other universities or educational institutions in Torino can apply for their membership to OPS board. The decision of such requests will be made by the president OPS in consultation with other board members.
- 6.2 All the office bearers and Board members of the OPS shall be matriculated students of

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- 6.3 All members shall strictly abide by the Constitution, laws, bylaws and guidelines of OPS Politecnico.
- 6.4 Cancellation of membership shall take place with the formal written application to the President, who, in turn, after informing the Board is authorized to cancel the membership.
- 6.5 In circumstances where an OPS member is found involved in violation of OPS constitution, or laws and by laws of the Politecnico, he/ she will be treated under the similar procedure as mentioned at para 4.4 of this constitution.

### 7. Election

- 7.1 The OPS board members and the president are constitutionally bound to hold a fair and free Annual General Elections at the end of their tenure (the length of the tenure would be a maximum of 1 year or equal to 365 days).
- 7.2. All the members of OPS have the right of vote and to contest the election for becoming a representative of their respective domain of students at Politecnico.
- 7.3 After the election, the outgoing body shall be bound to handover the office to newly elected body within 2 weeks.
- 7.4 In case of a tie between the candidates, a re-election between the two tied candidates will be held exactly after 24 hours, even without any prior notice.
- 7.5 In case of a situation which would not be given in the constitution, the present board will have a right to take an action accordingly.
- 7.6 All the winning candidates will be eligible to participate in elections after 2 years. It is not allowed for a candidate to participate in all elections. The 7th member of any board can participate in upcoming elections.
- 7.7 The elections will be on-line. All the candidates will be given full right to secure their positions and the election process. The election process will remain transparent for the condidates.
- 7.8 Board members will have a right to take any decision in case of in-disciplinary behavior or illegal act by any candidate.

## 8. Miscellaneous Clauses

- 8.1 The OPS has taken and shall continue to take all necessary steps to ensure that our meetings, events and social activities are accessible to all, irrespective of any disability.
- 8.2 The OPS has ensured and shall continue to ensure that it complies with any relevant data protection legislation.
- 8.3 In the circumstances where the constitution is unable to provide clear guidelines about a specific matter, the board members will decide the matter with discussion and voting. The president will be the in-charge of the whole proceeding and will also be able to cast his vote.
- 8.4 Where required the amendments in the constitution can be made by the consent of 2/3 members of the OPS board. However the proposal for amendment in each clause and subclause will be discussed separately and voting will be conducted accordingly.

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