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SECTION ONE

Aim, Scope, Basis and Definitions

Aim

ARTICLE 1 – (1) This Regulation is enacted to prescribe the objectives, areas of operation, governing bodies, functions of governing bodies, and procedures of the TED University Gender Studies Application and Research Center established under the auspices of TED University.

Scope

ARTICLE 2 – (1) This Regulation shall govern the objectives, scope of activities, governing bodies, and functions of the governing bodies of the TED University Gender Studies Application and Research Center established under the auspices of TED University.


Basis

ARTICLE 3 – (1) This Regulation is enacted pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (d) of the first paragraph of Article 7 and Article 14 of Law No. 2547 on Higher Education dated November 4, 1981.

Definitions

ARTICLE 4 – (1) For the purposes of this Regulation, the following terms shall be construed as follows:

- a) **Advisory Board:** The Advisory Board of the Center
- b) **Center:** The TED University Gender Studies Application and Research Center
- c) **Director:** The Director of the Center
- d) **Rector:** The Rector of TED University
- e) **University:** TED University
- f) **Executive Board:** The Executive Board of the Center.

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SECTION TWO

The Aim of the Center and Fields of Activity


The Aim of the Center

ARTICLE 5 – (1) The purpose of the Center is to conduct academic, administrative, theoretical, and practical studies necessary for a university environment based on gender equality and the principle of equal representation, and to raise awareness regarding gender issues. To this end, the Center shall conduct and support national and international scientific research on gender issues, adopt an interdisciplinary approach, keep gender issues on the agenda by involving all academic and administrative units, and organize events, panels, projects, and activities that bring together academia and civil society, and aim to prevent all forms of discrimination and sexual harassment based on gender or sexual orientation. Furthermore, the Center shall undertake studies to establish a graduate program in gender studies and/or women's studies within the University.

Fields of Activity

ARTICLE 6 – (1) To achieve its objectives, the Center shall:

- a) Conduct scientific research in the field of gender studies.
- b) Organize national and international conferences, seminars, symposia, and panels.
- c) Provide support for academic and scientific research activities.
- d) Undertake initiatives to raise awareness among students, academic and administrative personnel regarding gender issues and gender equality through training, projects, and programs.
- e) Cooperate with national and international organizations on gender issues and carry out national and international projects.
- f) Establish a section and archive on gender, gender equality, women's studies, and similar topics within the university library.
- g) Endeavor to make a course on gender equality compulsory in the curriculum.
- h) Encourage the adoption of all necessary measures to ensure safety and prevent all forms of harassment on campus.
- i) Work towards ensuring gender equality in representation and decision-making in all units of the university.
- j) Support and lead initiatives to facilitate women's working environments within the university, including the establishment of psychological counseling and guidance services, and units to prevent sexual harassment and workplace incivility.

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SECTION THREE

Governing Bodies and Duties of the Center

Governing Bodies of the Center

ARTICLE 7 – (1) The governing bodies of the center are as follows:

- a) Center Director.
- b) Administrative Board of the Center.
- c) Advisory Board of the Center.

Center Director

ARTICLE 8 – (1) The Director of the Center is appointed by the Rector for a three-year term among the faculty members/lecturers of the University. The Center Director may be reassigned when their term has expired.

Deputy Center Director

ARTICLE 9 – (1) At the University, a faculty member/lecturer with expertise in gender studies is assigned as the Deputy Director of the Center. The Deputy Director is appointed by the Director. The Director shall delegate their duties to the Deputy Director in their absence. If the mandate lasts for more than six months, a new Center Director is appointed.


Duties of the Center Director

ARTICLE 10 – (1) The Director shall have the following duties:

- a) To represent the Center and preside over the Executive Board.
- b) To implement the decisions of the Executive Board.
- c) To manage the administrative affairs of the Center and ensure necessary coordination and supervision.
- d) To prepare the annual activity report for the previous year and submit it to the Executive Board.

Administrative Board of the Center

ARTICLE 11 – (1) The Administrative Board of the Center consists of the Director of the Center, the Deputy Director of the Center, and three members to be appointed by the Rector from among the faculty members/lecturers working at the University related to the activities of the Center. The term of office of the Board is three years. A new member is appointed to replace the member of the Administrative Board who leaves their position for any reason, with the same method to complete the remaining term. Decisions are taken by majority vote.

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Duties of the Administrative Board

ARTICLE 12 – (1) The Executive Board shall have the following responsibilities:

- a) To review and approve the research, development, and implementation activities of the Center; b) To establish the guidelines for the preparation of the annual activity report to be prepared by the Director and to evaluate such report.
- b) To develop the work program for the following period and determine the principles of cooperation with domestic and foreign institutions.
- c) To meet at least once a month at the invitation of the Director, or more frequently if necessary.

Advisory Board of the Center


ARTICLE 13 – (1) The Advisory Board shall be constituted by representatives from the following groups to provide advisory to the Executive Board on matters related to the Center's activities:

- a) Faculty members or staff at the University with expertise in the Center's activities.
- b) Representatives of relevant public institutions and organizations, upon their request.
- c) Representatives of other universities and institutions related to the Center.
- d) Members of the Executive Board shall be ex officio members of the Advisory Board.
- e) The Advisory Board shall have no more than ten additional members appointed by the Director for a one-year term. Members whose terms have expired may be reappointed.

Duties of the Advisory Board

ARTICLE 14 – (1) The Advisory Board shall have the following responsibilities:

- a) To provide advisory on the annual work plan, research projects, and implementation activities as prepared by the Executive Board.
- b) To make recommendations regarding research, development, and implementation activities.
- c) To evaluate the ongoing and completed studies.
- d) To meet at least once a year to evaluate the Center's activities and to submit its opinions and suggestions regarding new studies to the Executive Board.

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SECTION FOUR

Miscellaneous and Final Provisions

Spending Authority

ARTICLE 15 – (1) The Rector shall be the authorizing officer of the Center. The Rector may delegate this authority to the Director.

Enforcement

ARTICLE 16 – (1) This Regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication.

Execution

ARTICLE 17 – (1) The provisions of this regulation are executed by the Rector of TED University.

SENATE MEETINGS ON THE REGULATION AND ITS AMENDMENTS

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