

The Asian Civil Engineering Coordinating Council

CONSTITUTION

Article 1 : Name

The Name of this council (hereinafter referred to as "ACECC ") shall be known as THE ASIAN CIVIL ENGINEERING COORDINATING COUNCIL.

Article 2 : Objectives

The objectives of the ACECC are:

1. To promote and advance the science and practice of Civil Engineering and related professions for sustainable developments in the Asian region.
2. To encourage communication between persons in charge of scientific and technical responsibility for any field of civil engineering.
3. To improve, extend and enhance such activities as infrastructure construction and management, preservation of the precious environment and natural disaster prevention.
4. To foster exchange of ideas among the member societies/institutions.
5. To cooperate with any regional, national and international organizations to support their work, as the ACECC decides necessary.
6. To provide advise to member societies/institutions to strengthen their domestic activities.
7. To achieve the above objectives, international conferences called Civil Engineering Conference in the Asian Region (CECAR) will be held on a triennial basis as the main activity of the ACECC. Hereafter in the constitution "International Conference" means CECAR.

Article 3 : Organization

The organization shall consist of

1. Member societies/institutions
2. Executive Committee
3. Secretariat
4. Local organizing committee
5. Planning Committee
6. Technical Coordinating Committee
7. Technical committees

Article 4: Membership and the ACECC membership meeting

1. The member societies/institutions of the ACECC shall be open to worldwide societies/institutions of civil engineers.
2. There shall be only one society/institution from an economy.
3. Each economy's society/institution of civil engineers, satisfying the qualification requirements for application specified in By-laws, is eligible for membership in the ACECC.
4. A member society may at any time withdraw from the ACECC by giving a notice to the executive committee who must act within 30 days from receipt of such notice. The withdrawal shall become effective upon acceptance by the executive committee or the failure of the executive committee to act on the notice of withdrawal within the 30 days period.
5. The ACECC membership meeting, consisting of all the member societies/institutions, shall be held at the time of International Conference. Majority of the council members in attendance shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the ACECC membership meeting.

Article 5: The Executive Committee

1. The executive committee members shall be elected by the ACECC membership meeting and shall serve until the next ACECC membership meeting.
2. The executive committee shall be the governing body of the Organization.
3. The executive committee shall formulate the By-laws, rules and regulations to govern the operation of the council in accordance with the Constitution of the ACECC.
4. The executive committee shall decide to hold the International Conference for accomplishing the Objectives.
5. The executive committee shall consist of one representative from each member society/institution. The Secretary General, who is the ACECC technical secretary acting in a voluntary position, becomes also a member of the executive committee.
6. The Chair shall be responsible for external contacts and negotiations on behalf of the executive committee and for the functioning of the executive committee meetings.
7. Required quorum for the executive committee meeting shall be more than fifty percent of all the executive committee members.
8. The executive committee has the responsibility to identify and address advanced civil engineering technology needed for improving design and construction practices.

Article 6: The International Conference

1. The International Conference (CECAR) shall be held approximately every three years in an economy to be decided by the executive committee.
2. Offer to host the next International Conference shall be sent by a member society/institution to the executive committee for consideration.
3. Any member of the ACECC member societies/institutions is entitled to attend the International Conferences.

Article 7: The Local Organizing Committee

1. The Local Organizing Committee shall be established in an economy where the next International Conference will be held.
2. The Local Organizing Committee shall have responsibilities for all necessary preparation and planning, conducting and managing the International Conference in accordance with the plans and programs approved by the executive committee.
3. The members of the Local Organizing Committee from the host economy will be recommended by the host economy's society/institution and approved by the executive committee.

Article 8: Other committees

Article 8.1: Planning Committee

1. The Executive Committee establishes the Planning Committee, whose purpose is to formulate and prepare policy documents for the Executive Committee to plan and carry out various activities to achieve the ACECC objectives and strategic vision.

Article 8.2:

Technical Coordinating Committee and Technical Committees

1. The Executive Committee establishes the Technical Coordinating Committee, whose purpose is to formulate and prepare policy documents regarding technical activities for the Executive Committee, to coordinate all activities of Technical Committees and to review establishment of new Technical Committees to achieve the ACECC objectives and strategic vision.
2. The Executive Committee may wish to establish one or more Technical Committees, if necessary, whose purpose is to identify technical subjects common to the majority of the ACECC members.
3. The Technical Committees shall get direction from and report to the Technical_Coordinating Committee.

Article 9: The Secretariat

1. The office of Secretariat shall be located at a place in Asia to be determined by the executive committee.
2. The Secretariat shall be headed by a Secretary General who shall be approved by the executive committee.

Article 10: Finance

1. The ACECC is a non-profit organization of which financial resources shall be derived from:
 - (1) Annual membership dues paid by the member societies/institutions.
 - (2) Contributions from other sources, if any
 - (3) Income from activities of the ACECC, such as publications that may be developed by the International Conferences and the Technical Committees.
2. The executive committee shall determine the amount of annual membership dues from the member societies/institutions.
3. The fiscal year shall be from the 1st of July to the 30th of June of each year.
4. The payment of annual membership dues from the member societies/institutions for any financial year shall be made not later than the 30th of June in that year.
5. The ACECC shall have power to accept donations to its funds from any source or sources, which the executive committee approves.

Article 11: Amendment of the Constitution

This constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the executive committee and ratified by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the ACECC members.

Articles 12: Dissolution of the ACECC

1. The dissolution of the ACECC can be effected only by a majority of two-thirds of all member societies/institutions at the ACECC membership meeting.