



## **Rules of the European Young Chemist Network**

### ***Preamble***

The European Young Chemist Network (EYCN) is the younger members division of the European Association for Chemical and Molecular Sciences (EuCheMS).

### ***§ 1 Aims and Tasks***

The aim is to provide a platform within the EuCheMS framework where young chemists can:

- A. Form an organized and united opinion to present their European voice in science, education and politics. Areas where chemistry is found, with specific focus on chemistry and molecular sciences will be considered;
- B. Discuss common interests, generate and expand new ideas and initiatives to contribute to the future of science and the development of the European Society;
- C. Network with each other to form a supportive community throughout Europe;
- D. Forge new links between academics and industrialists.

### ***§ 2 Members***

The EYCN exists for members in EuCheMS under the age of 35.

### ***§ 3 Institutions of EYCN***

The EYCN consists of:

- A. European society representatives
- B. Delegate Assembly
- C. Steering Committee
- D. Workgroups and cooperations

#### ***§ 3.1 European society representatives***

Every society within EuCheMS will be invited to appoint one member of EYCN to represent their respected society.

#### ***§ 3.2 Delegate Assembly***

- A. The Delegate Assembly (DA) is the highest organizational body of the EYCN.
- B. It is open to all members. The voting body of the DA consists of the representatives of the societies of Europe, as defined in §3.1.
- C. The DA will meet at least every second year in conjunction with the EuCheMS Congress.

### ***§ 3.3 Steering Committee***

- A. The Steering Committee (ST) will comprise of the following positions: Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Internal Communications (IC), and Public Relations (PR).
- B. In the absence of the Chair, the Secretary will act as Chair.
- C. Apart from the Chair, the officers are expected to serve for two years and can be elected for a second term, but not for a third term.
- D. Members of the ST should represent different countries.
- E. The Chair is expected to serve for two years only, and must represent a different country every term.

### ***§ 3.4 Workgroups and cooperations***

Workgroups and cooperations for the execution of international activities can be appointed for specific tasks of a limited timescale. They are appointed by either the EYCN Steering Committee or Delegate Assembly.

### ***§ 4 Votes***

- A. The representatives of the societies will be invited to the Delegate Assembly at least six weeks in advance of the date, and will be notified of the place, agenda and voting.
- B. Each society will hold one vote.
- C. Voting relating to individuals will be conducted by secret ballot where possible.
- D. For a vote to be valid, a minimum of 40% of the potential voting population must have voted. The vote will be decided by majority. In the case of a rule change, two thirds of the potential voting population must have voted. The EYCN committee is authorized to amend the rules to incorporate any changes required by EuCheMS Executive Committee.
- E. In the event of a tied vote, a revote will take place between the candidates or issues concerned. If the revote remains unresolved the vote will be decided by fate.
- F. The Steering Committee must be elected by vote at the Delegate Assembly. Notification of this election is not required, as it is an integral part of the Delegate Assembly.

### ***§ 5 Resources***

- A. Financial resources should be sought from industry, societies, and organizations.
- B. The network will not retain any assets.
- C. All funding raised will be used solely for the EYCN network activities.