

LAW No. 05/L-038

ON KOSOVO ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND ARTS

The Assembly of the Republic of Kosovo,

Based on Article 65 (1) of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo,

Approves

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**CHAPTER I
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Article 1
The purpose**

The purpose of this law is to regulate the organization and of the other aspects of overall functioning of the Kosovo Academy of Sciences and Arts (hereinafter: the Academy).

**Article 2
The establishment and status**

1. The Academy is the highest institution of science and arts, established by the Assembly of the Republic of Kosovo.
2. The Republic of Kosovo provides conditions for work and development of the Academy.
3. The Academy is an independent institution in the field of science and art.

**Article 3
The activity of the Academy**

1. The activity of the Academy is activity of special public interest in the Republic of Kosova.
2. The special public interest of the Academy is expressed in exercising its activity in the field of science and art, which includes promotion, cultivation, stimulation and development of scientific opinion and of artistic creativity.

**Article 4
The residency and emblem of the Academy**

1. The residency of the Academy is in Prishtina.
2. The Academy has its own emblem.

Article 5
The legal subjectivity

The academy is public legal entity with rights, duties and responsibilities set with this law and internal acts of the Academy.

Article 6
The statute

1. The statute of the Academy defines, in compliance with this law, its organization, manner of electing members and working and governance bodies of the Academy.
2. The statute of the Academy is adopted by the Assembly of the Kosovo Academy of Sciences and Arts with 2/3 of votes of all members.
3. The Academy has other general acts, by which, in harmony with the statute of the Academy, shall regulate important issues for work.

Article 7
The funding

1. The work of the Academy is funded by:
 - 1.1. the budget of the Republic of Kosovo;
 - 1.2. the funds earned by implementation of scientific and artistic projects;
 - 1.3. other legitimate donations and resources.

CHAPTER II
SPECIAL PROVISIONS

Article 8
The purpose of the Academy

1. The purpose of the Academy is development, stimulation, promotion and advancement of science and arts in Kosovo, through:
 - 1.1. the implementation of scientific projects with interest on social, economic and cultural development of the country;
 - 1.2. the care for creation and advancement of scientific staff, especially of new generation;
 - 1.3. gathering, systematization, preservation and study of materials with special scientific interest, especially of those related to the cultural inheritance and the past of Kosovo;

- 1.4. participation in formation of scientific activity policies and of artistic creativity;
- 1.5. assessment of current situation and proposal of measures for advancement of scientific opinion and quality increase of the artistic creativity;
- 1.6. reviewing general problems from the fields of scientific and artistic creativity;
- 1.7. organization of scientific research work with theoretical and practical character in different areas of knowledge and arts, through gatherings, roundtables, consultations, symposiums, scientific conferences and other appropriate forms of artistic expression, such are exhibitions, concerts, etc.
- 1.8. publication of regular and periodical publications from science and art field, which are funded by the budget of the Academy;
- 1.9. cooperation with institutions of the Republic of Kosovo and with international institutions from the field of science and art;
- 1.10. help in dissemination of scientific opinion and of artistic creativity outside the country;
- 1.11. the continuous improvement of the working conditions of the Academy members;
- 1.12. development of researches with special public and scientific interest;
- 1.13. undertaking actions of special interest for Kosovo in support of the right and obligation of the Academy, to be consultative institution for the development of science and art in Kosovo, in compliance with development needs of the country.

Article 9

Working bodies and cooperation

1. In order to advance the scientific-research and artistic work with overall interest for science and art in Kosovo, the Academy shall establish its sections, research institutions and study centres.
2. The Academy in implementation of its functions cooperates with scientific and academic institutions of higher education, scientific institutions, economic entities, state agencies and with employees and scientific researchers from different fields of science and art.

Article 10

The rights, duties and responsibilities

1. The rights, duties and responsibilities of the Academy derive from its general intentions and those include:
 - 1.1. planning of scientific research and artistic work in compliance with its opportunities for their implementation;

1.2. admission of new members in compliance with the highest standards of scientific activity and of artistic creativity;

1.3. regular cooperation with institutions of the Republic of Kosovo, similar academies abroad and with international scientific organizations, for the purpose of scientific and artistic mutual communication and for an integration in global streams of science and art;

1.4. implementation of the projects in order to build development strategies of the country;

1.5. the work in joint projects with similar institutions, with the aim of preserving, protecting and developing cultural values and linguistic heritage of all citizens of the Republic of Kosovo;

1.6. the work in joint projects for study and development of cultures in Kosovo, and

1.7. the rights, duties and other responsibilities, specified in the Statute of the Academy and in its other normative acts.

CHAPTER III ORGANIZATION AND LEADERSHIP OF THE ACADEMY

Article 11 Organization and leadership

1. The scientific and artistic activity in the Academy is developed within sections, research institution and other study centers.
2. The sections are holders of rights, duties and responsibilities of the Academy for scientific and artistic fields, for which they are established.
3. In the Academy sections act regular and part-time members of the relevant scientific and artistic fields.
4. Regular and part-time member of the Academy may be part of only one (1) section.
5. The work of the section is led by the Secretary of the section.
6. The work research institutions and other study centers is led by director or the relevant leading body.
7. Organization and work of sections, research institutions and of other study centres of the Academy, is determined with the Statute of the Academy and with special normative acts.

Article 12
The bodies of the Academy

1. The bodies of the Academy are:

- 1.1. Assembly;
- 1.2. Chairmanship; and
- 1.3. Chairman.

Article 13
Assembly of the Academy

- 1. Assembly is the highest decision making body of the Academy.
- 2. The Assembly consists of all regular and part-time members of the Academy.
- 3. In the work of Assembly can participate also its external members of the Academy, without the voting right.
- 4. Session of the Assembly of the Academy is convened by:
 - 4.1. Chairmanship of the Academy;
 - 4.2. at least two (2) sections of the Academy; and
 - 4.3. ten (10) regular and part-time members of the Academy.

Article 14
Duties and responsibilities of the Assembly of the Academy

- 1. Duties and responsibilities of the Assembly of the Academy include:
 - 1.1. approval of the Statute of the Academy;
 - 1.2. approval of instructions, regulations and other normative acts of the Academy;
 - 1.3. establishment of sections, research institutions and study centers;
 - 1.4. approval of the Academy's work program;
 - 1.5. approval of the annual budget, financial plan and of final accounts of the Academy;
 - 1.6. approval of the work report of the Academy;

1.7. election of regular and part-time members, external and honorary members of the Academy;

1.8. approval of the election of secretaries of the Academy sections;

1.9. other obligations defined by this law and with the Statute of the Academy.

Article 15

The decision making

1. The Assembly of the Academy can be gathered and decide by the presence of the majority of regular and part-time members of the Academy in it.

2. For election of Chairman, Deputy-Chairman and of the Academy's Scientific Secretary, for selection approval of secretaries of the Academy sections, and for election of part-time members, external members and honorary members of the Academy, it is necessary the majority of votes of all regular and part-time members of the Academy.

Article 16

The Academy's chairmanship

1. The Academy's chairmanship comprise of: Chairman, Deputy chairman, scientific Secretary and secretaries of the Academy sections.

2. The Academy's chairmanship coordinates general works from the area of its responsibilities.

3. The Academy's chairmanship for its work responds to the Assembly of the Academy.

4. The chairmanship implements decisions and attitudes of the Assembly.

5. The Academy members over seventy five (75) years of age cannot exercise leading functions.

6. The Academy members exercising political and state functions cannot exercise leading functions at the Academy.

7. The Academy's chairmanship is elected for a four-year (4) period with the right of being re-elected for another mandate.

Article 17

The Academy's chairman

1. The Academy's Chairman:

1.1. leads the Academy's work;

1.2. represents and presents the Academy;

- 1.3. leads the work of the Chairmanship and of the Assembly of Academy;
- 1.4. is elected by the Assembly of the Academy for a four-year (4) period with the right of being re-elected for another mandate;
- 1.5. signs all decisions of the Chairmanship and of the Assembly;
- 1.6. responds on the legitimacy of the Academy's work;
- 1.7. for its work responds to the Assembly of the Academy, while within the rights and duties of the Chairmanship of the Academy, responds to the Chairmanship.

CHAPTER IV THE ACADEMY MEMBERS

Article 18 Members

1. The Academy has regular members, part-time members, external members and honorary members.
2. Being member of the Academy is eternal.

Article 19 The regular member

1. The regular member of the Academy can be elected scientific or art employee, for special achievements in the field of science and art.
2. Only the regular members of the Academy can carry the title Academic.
3. The regular member of the Academy can be elected a citizen of Kosova who is distinguished science employee and of art that has scientific and artistic achievements, whose works represent culminant realizations in the field of science or art and are very valuable inside and outside the country.

Article 20 Part-time member

Part-time member of the Academy can be elected employee of science or art, citizen of Kosovo, who has created scientific and artistic works of special significance.

Article 21 External member

1. External member of the Academy can be elected employee of science or art living and acting

outside the country, who has created significant work for Kosovo, or with general value for science or art.

2. The statute of regular and part-time member is accepted for external member of the Academy in accordance with the provisions of the Statute of the Academy.

Article 22

Honorary member

Honorary member of the Academy can be elected distinguished creators of science or of art, who is not citizen of Kosovo, who with its work has become generally known to science or art and who has contributed to Kosovo.

Article 23

The election procedure

1. The procedure of proposal, voting and election of the Academy members is defined with statute and other normative acts of the Academy.

2. The elections for members of the Academy are conducted every four (4) years.

3. The Academy members can be elected candidates, who have not passed the age of sixty five (65).

Article 24

The rights and duties

The regular and part-time member of the Academy takes duties and responsibilities and enjoys the rights defined with this law and with the Academy statute.

Article 25

Rewards

1. The regular and part-time member of the Academy with permanent residence in the country is entitled to permanent monthly reward.

2. The height of reward for regular and part-time member of the Academy is based on decision of the Government of Kosovo no. 02/211 of August 16, 2006 and will change depending on decisions for salary height of regular and associate university professors.

3. The chairmanship members are entitled to monthly allowances for the performed functions.

4. The criteria and height of members' monthly allowance of the Academy for the functions they perform at the Academy, are set according to the legislation in force.

CHAPTER V
ADMINISTRATIVE, PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

Article 26
The services of the Academy

1. Administrative, professional and technical services are performed by the administration of the Academy.
2. Secretary of the Academy leads the administration of the Academy.
3. Secretary of the Academy is elected by the Academy Chairmanship with public competition.
4. For its work, the Secretary of the Academy responds to Chairman and Chairmanship of the Academy.
5. The employees in administrative, professional and technical services have the status of civil servants, which is adjusted with legislation on civil service and with the Statute of the Academy.

CHAPTER VI
FINANCING AND MEANS OF THE ACADEMY

Article 27
Financial sources

1. Financial sources for the work of the Academy are provided by the Kosovo budget.
2. With means from the Kosovo budget, work of sections is supported, research institutions, other study centres of the Academy, work of governing bodies of the Academy, international cooperation of the Academy, regular and periodical publishing activity of the Academy, enrichment of the library fund of the Academy, permanent monthly remuneration of the regular and part time members, allowances for performance of certain functions at the Academy, permanent monthly salaries for employees in administrative, professional, technical services and maintenance of the Academy.
3. The Academy can provide means also from donations and sponsorships and such means can be used for its supplementary activity.
4. The Academy can provide other supplementary means for scientific research and artistic work of its regular and part time members through its activities, scientific research and artistic mutual agreements and through donations of gifts according to the legislation in force.

Article 28
The ownership of the Academy

1. The Academy is owner of the movable and immovable property which is given to it to perform its activity.

2. The Academy is the only legal holder that can take decision for transfer of its ownership rights.

CHAPTER VII TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 29 Normative acts

Within six (6) months from entry into force of this Law, the Academy shall harmonize organization, statute and other normative acts, with provisions of this law.

Article 30 Performance of functions

Chairman, Deputy-Chairman, scientific secretaries and secretaries of the Academy sections, perform their functions for which are selected up to the completion of the mandatory time.

Article 31 Repealing provisions

With entry into force of this law, the Law no. 2004/19 on Academy of Science and Arts of Kosovo (Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosovo, No. 25/01 June 2008) shall be repealed.

Article 32 Entry into force

This law shall enter into force (15) fifteen days after publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosovo.

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Promulgated by Decree No.DL-042-2015, dated 29.12.2015, President of the Republic of Kosovo Atifete Jahjaga