STATUTES OF THE EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR MATHEMATICS AND ARTS (SOCIÉTÉ EUROPÉENNE POUR LES MATHÉMATIQUES ET LES ARTS)

ARTICLE 1: Name and registered office

- 1. The name of this association shall be The European Society for the Mathematics and Arts (E.S.M.A.)
- 2. The association's registered office is located at the Institut Henri Poincaré, 11 rue Pierre et Marie Curie, 75231 Paris Cedex 05.

ARTICLE 2 Purpose and activities

- 1. The purpose of the Society is to promote communication between the scientific community, in particular in the field of mathematics and computer science, and the public at large, through art and artistic representation.
- 2. To achieve this goal, ESMA encourages the creation and the realization of projects and artistic works inspired by mathematics (and more generally by science), without any discrimination. By artistic works, the association mean plastic work in 2 and 3D, architecture, music, performing arts and other).

ESMA facilitate the exchange of information and ideas and offer training opportunities through its website, workshops, exhibits, seminars and conferences, locally or in Europe.

The Society thus offers a quasi public forum which welcome individuals involved in theses activities to communicate their research through arts, and contributes to awaken vocations in disciplines related to the objective of the Society.

- 3. The society may, as needed,
 - (a) Act directly
 - (b) Act through local associations, members of the Society
 - (c) Cooperate with other bodies having at least one similar objective
- (d) Set up temporary and/or semi-permanent sub-committees for specific mission, at the recommendation of the board.

ARTICLE 3 Composition

- 1. The Society is open to individuals or institutions, regardless of their nationality, and working or wishing to work to develop the objective of the Society.
- 2. The Society is constituted as follow:
 - 2.1 Honorary members: individuals or institutions that have rendered distinguished services to the Society. They are elected by the Board and are exempt of dues.
 - 2.2 Benefactors: individuals, public and private institutions having supported the activity of the association. They are nominated by the Board.
 - 2.3 Active members:
 - 2.3.1 Active members are:
 - a) Individuals paying regular annual dues, or discounted dues for students and low-income household. Dues shall be set by the Board, and are revisited every two years.
 - b) Individuals having paid their dues to other institutions that have established a convention of reciprocity with the Society.
 - 2.3.2 Emeritus active members are the individuals who have been active members for 35 years. They are exempted from dues.

- 2.3.3 Active institutional members are institutions of any kind wishing to join to the Society and approved by the Board. Annual dues will be set on a case-by-case basis and subject to revision every two years.
- 2.4 The quality of member is lost by:
 - 2.4.1 Resignation
 - 2.4.2 Death
 - 2.4.3 Termination of membership by the Board for non-payment of the dues or serious infraction, in which case, the person is invited by a registered letter to explain his position before the Board

ARTICLE 4 Working

4.1 Generalities

- 4.1.1 The Society is managed by a Board elected by the membership. The board elects the Executive Office. The later can be helped by committees involved in specific duties, and usually working for a limited period of time.
- 4.1.2 Elections are conducted by physical presence, by postal mail or by electronic mail as circumstances require.
- 4.1.3 For any election, absolute majority is required to bring an item to the floor, simple majority thereafter.

4.2 The Executive Board

- 4.2.1 The Executive Board is an assembly elected by all the members of the Society. Election takes place every four years. Members are elected for four years, renewable one time. The Board can raise the possibility of a third term for exceptional reasons. This term shall not exceed three years.
- 4.2.2 Each country, European or not, each institution is represented on the Board. The data concerning this representation must be approved by the Board, and made available to each member of the Society, upon request.
- 4.2.3 All individuals and institutions who participated to the creation of the Society are de-facto members of the first Executive Board,
- 4.2.4 The Executive Office directs the activities of the Board, and prepares its agenda 4.2.5 These activities include:
 - a) Election of the Executive Office officers
 - b) Election of two accountants, the review and approval of the financial accounts of the Society
 - c) Reviewing and setting the amount of the various dues
 - d) Nomination of the honorary and benefactor members
 - e) Presentation and review of proposals meant to improve the work of the Society, and to help it reach its goal.
 - f) Revision and changes of the status, of the By-laws, and of the eventual dissolution of the Society.

4.3 The Executive Office

- 4.3.1 Except the founding office, working for one year at most, the Board elects the Executive Office for a period of four years. Officers can be elected for only one more period of four years at most.
- 4.3.2 The Executive Office consists of:
 - 1) The President of the Society
 - 2) One or several Vice-presidents
 - 3) A Secretary and his assistants
 - 4) A Treasurer and his assistants
 - 5) A Webmaster
 - 6) The presidents of the committees or their representative
- 4.3.3 The voting of at least the half of the members of the Executive Office is necessary to make effective a decision. The President, or in his absence a Vice-president, participates to the voting. If the voting is not decisive, his vote is counted twice

- 4.3.4 The Executive Office represents the Society before the public an before the various institutions. It administers and represents the Society in judicial, financial and intellectual matters. It:
 - a) Prepares Board meetings agenda
 - b) Sets forth special committees entrusted with well-defined tasks such as setting up the By-laws
 - c) Prepares and present for approval by the Board the Society yearly financial report verified by two Accountants chosen by the Board
 - d) Implements the resolutions adopted by the Board.

ARTICLE 5 Resources

The Society has two kinds of resources, artistic and financial:

- 5.1 The artistic resources are made of artistic works recorded in the Society inventory which the Society has received as gifts, or which the Society has bought.
- 5.2 The financial resources consist in:
 - 5.2.1 The amount of the various dues collected
 - 5.2.2 The profits coming from the sale or the loan of works, the prices of each sale and of each loan being fixed by the Executive Office.
 - 5.3.3 Grants and subsidies given by public and private organisation
 - 5.3.4 Gifts and legacies.

ARTICLE 6 Change of the status and dissolution

- 6.1 Any proposal to change the status of the Society or recommend its dissolution has to be sent to all members of the Society at least two months before the meeting of the Board called for the purpose of reviewing the proposal.
- 6.2 The proposal has to be approved by two-thirds of the votes having been cast in order to pass
- 6.3 In case of dissolution, on or several liquidators will be appointed by the Council, the remaining property being given to a similar society.