The revised text of the Statute of the Chamber of Engineers of Montenegro includes the following regulations:

- 1. Statute of the Chamber of Engineers of Montenegro ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", No. 022/18 as of 11 April 2018),
- 2. Amendments to the Statute of the Chamber of Engineers of Montenegro ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", No. 076/21 as of 9 July 2021), which indicate their date of entry into force.

# STATUTE OF THE CHAMBER OF ENGINEERS OF MONTENEGRO

("Official Gazette of Montenegro", no. 022/18 as of 11 April 2018, 076/21 as of 09 July 2021)

# I GENERAL PROVISIONS Article 1

This statute defines in detail the organization, tasks and works of the Chamber of Engineers of Montenegro (hereinafter: the Chamber) in the construction of structures, the manner of performing the activity, the means for performing the activity, the issue of membership, governing bodies of the Chamber, the method of election and their competences, impeachment, mandate, decision-making, responsibilities, representation and presentation, work control, as well as other issues of interest to the work of the Chamber.

### Article 2

All terms mentioned in this statute, which may have a gender meaning, regardless of the context, apply equally and without exception to the male and female gender.

### Article 3

Persons who work in the construction of structures may become members of the Chamber with the aim of improving their expertise and protecting their interests, protecting the public interest in the field of construction of structures, improving the conditions for performing activities in the field of construction of structures and exercising public authorities established by the Law on Spatial Planning and Construction of Structures ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", number 064/17 - hereinafter: Law).

### **Article 4**

The Chamber has the status of a legal entity with rights, obligations and responsibilities determined by the Law and the Chamber's Statute.

The Chamber is an autonomous and independent professional organization that protects the reputation, honor and rights of certified engineering professions in Montenegro that perform work in accordance with special regulations governing the performance of activities in the field of construction of structures.

The Chamber is registered with the competent body of the state of Montenegro, and performs its activities on the territory of Montenegro.

The Chamber is responsible for its obligations with its assets.

## Article 5

The Chamber performs activities in the field of construction of structures under the name: "lnženjerska komora Crne Gore".

The abbreviated name of the Chamber is: "IKCG".

The seat of the Chamber is in Podgorica, Bulevar Džordža Vašingtona 31.

When dealing with foreign countries, the name of the Chamber is "Chamber of Engineers of Montenegro".

"CEM" is used as an abbreviated name when dealing with foreign countries.

The Chamber has a logo.

The Chamber has its bank accounts with commercial banks.

The Chamber has a seal and a stamp.

The seal of the Chamber is round, 30 mm in diameter, with the text "Inženjerska komora Crne Gore" on the edge, and the logo of the Chamber in the middle.

The stamp of the Chamber is rectangular, 60x20 mm in size and contains, in addition to the data from the stamp, a space in which the document number and the date of issue are entered.

### Article 7

Chamber Day is October 31, the day the Chamber was founded.

### Article 8

The Secretary General is the legal representative of the Chamber.

### Article 9

The work of the Chamber is public.

Governing bodies and the Secretariat of the Chamber must take care to respect the confidentiality of personal data from register and other records kept by the Chamber and prevent unauthorized access to them.

# Article 10

Members of the Chamber shall realize their interests directly in the Chamber and in the bodies of the Chamber. The Chamber is organized through professional chambers:

- 1) Professional chambers of architects;
- 2) Professional Chambers of civil engineers,
- 3) Professional chambers of electrical engineers;
- 4) Professional chambers of mechanical engineers; and
- 5) Professional chambers of other engineering professions.

### Article 11

The Chamber shall adopt the annual work program and financial plan.

In order to monitor and realize established goals and control the Chamber's financial operations, the annual work program and financial plan must be sufficiently specific and analytical, with clearly defined planned activities, i.e. precise income and expenditure items of the Chamber and professional chambers.

If the financial plan is not adopted within the stipulated period for justified reasons, the Management Board of the Chamber shall make a decision on temporary financing.

# II COMPETENCES OF THE CHAMBER

### Article 12

Based on the obligations and competences established by the Law, the Chamber shall perform the following tasks:

- 1) improve and ensure professional development of members;
- 2) keep a register of members of the Chamber;
- 3) keep a register of members whose membership in the Chamber is suspended;
- 4) keep a register of professional trainings and achieved number of points of members of the Chamber;
- 5) keep a register of passed professional exams;

- 6) propose technical bases for drafting regulations from Article 72 of the Law;
- 7) organize and conduct the passing of the professional examination referred to in Article 125b of the Law;
- 8) determine training programs from Article 125a paragraph 4 of the Law;
- 9) determine the membership fee of its members;
- 10) protect, harmonize and represent the interests of its members;
- 11) adopt a code of ethics and carry out its implementation;
- 12) manage disciplinary responsibility, conduct disciplinary proceedings against members of the Chamber and impose disciplinary measures;
- 13) provide professional opinions and expertise as requested by state bodies and institutions.
- 14) perform entrusted tasks;
- 15) perform tasks that the state transfers as public authority by law;
- 16) perform entrusted expert work;
- 17) perform professional work in the field of construction of structures as requested by state authorities and legal entities;
- 18) elect the bodies of the Chamber;
- 19) take care of the professional and responsible action of the members of the Chamber;
- 20) determine the amount of fees for the performance of work from its field;
- 21) establish, maintain and improve cooperation with other engineering chambers and other related organizations and institutions in the country and abroad;
- 22) carry out the Internet presentation of the Chamber;
- 23) publish magazines, newsletters, professional publications, etc.;
- 24) inform the members of the Chamber about all important activities of the Chamber and its members;
- 25) determine and present awards and prizes to members of the Chamber;
- 26) give expert opinions on laws and by-laws in the field of construction of structures;
- 27) if necessary, report to the Assembly of Montenegro, ministries, state, public enterprises, local self-government units and administrations, on its own initiative or at their request, about the situation and problems, and about the measures that should be taken to improve quality in the field of construction of structures;
- 28) actively participate in the drafting of laws and by-laws that regulate the field of construction of structures and monitor their implementation;
- 29) perform other tasks within the domain of its jurisdiction, in accordance with the Law;
- 30) perform other public authorization, in accordance with positive regulations.

Works from paragraph 1, item 1, 6, 7 and 8 of this article, the Chamber shall exercise as public authority.

Supervision over the performance of work from paragraph 2 of this article shall be carried out by the Ministry.

## Article 13

A member of the Chamber may be a natural person and a foreign natural person, who performs activities regulated by the Law.

The status of a member of the Chamber shall be acquired by entering in the register of members of the Chamber. A natural person who possesses at least VII1 qualification of the sub-level of the qualifications framework may be entered in the register of members of the Chamber.

A member of the Chamber may also be a natural person who possesses at least the VII1 qualification of the sublevel of the qualification framework, and who has not acquired the condition for obtaining a license (young engineers).

A member of the Chamber may also be an honorary member, in accordance with the rulebook on the conditions for obtaining the title of honorary member of the Chamber.

A member of the Chamber, upon written request, shall have his membership in the Chamber suspended.

More detailed conditions on suspension of membership in the Chamber shall be defined by a separate act.

Members of the Chamber shall have the right to:

- 1) participate in activities to exercise rights and obligations arising from the Law and this statute;
- 2) elect and be elected to the bodies of the Chamber, excluding members of the Chamber with a place of residence outside the territory of Montenegro and young engineers, who cannot be elected to the bodies of the Chamber;
- 3) be informed about the work of the Chamber;
- 4) use the help and services of the Chamber, within its jurisdiction; and
- 5) exercise other rights, in accordance with positive legal regulations and acts of the Chamber.

### Article 15

Members of the Chamber shall be obliged to:

- 1) conscientiously and professionally perform the duties of their profession;
- 2) improve their knowledge and experience;
- 3) preserve and develop the reputation of the profession and the Chamber;
- 4) comply with valid laws, regulations, statutes, code of ethics and other acts of the Chamber;
- 5) pay the membership fee and fulfill other obligations in the bodies of the Chamber;
- 6) perform other tasks, in accordance with the statute and other acts of the Chamber.

### Article 16

Membership in the Chamber ends upon deletion from the register of Chamber members.

# III BODIES OF THE CHAMBER

### Article 17

The Governing Bodies of the Chamber are:

- 1) Assembly of the Chamber;
- 2) Management Board of the Chamber;
- 3) President of the Chamber;
- 4) Secretary General of the Chamber; and
- 5) Supervisory Board of the Chamber.

The president of the Assembly of the Chamber, the president of the Management Board of the Chamber and the president of the Supervisory Board of the Chamber shall be elected according to the principle of rotation and shall be from different professional chambers.

A member of the Chamber cannot be elected to more than one position in the bodies of the Chamber.

# III/I Assembly of the Chamber

### Article 18

The Assembly is the highest body of the Chamber, with rights and obligations established by the Law and this Statute. The Assembly of the Chamber has a president and a vice president.

In case of absence or inability, the president of the Chamber Assembly shall be replaced by the vice president

of the Chamber Assembly.

The Assembly of the Chamber shall have 60 delegates elected for a period of four years. The Assembly shall consist of delegates of professional chambers.

Each professional chamber shall elect 12 delegates to the Assembly of the Chamber.

The president and vice-president of the Assembly of the Chamber shall be elected from among the delegates, respecting the principle of rotation, and shall be from different professional chambers.

Delegates of professional chambers shall be elected by the Assembly of the professional chamber. The work of the Assembly of the Chamber shall be governed by the Rules of Procedure.

### Article 19

The Assembly of the Chamber shall:

- 1) adopt the Statute of the Chamber;
- 2) adopt the Code of Ethics of the Chamber;
- 3) adopt the Rules of procedure on its work;
- 4) make a decision on calling regular and early elections;
- 5) verify the mandates of the delegates of the Assembly of the Chamber;
- 6) elect and discharge the president and vice-president of the Assembly of the Chamber, on the proposal of the Assembly of Professional Chambers respecting the principle of rotation;
- 7) elect and discharge the President of the Management Board, on the proposal of the Assembly of Professional Chambers, respecting the principle of rotation;
- 8) elect and discharge the members of the Management Board on the proposal of the Assembly of Professional Chambers, and verify the mandates of the members of the Management Board on the proposal of the competent Ministry;
- 9) elect and discharge the president and two members of the Supervisory Board on the proposal of the Assembly of Professional Chambers, respecting the principle of rotation;
- 10) elect and discharge the prosecutor of the Chamber in the disciplinary procedure in the Chamber on the proposal of the Management Board, respecting the principle of rotation;
- 11) elect and discharge the president and two members of the Disciplinary Court of the Chamber on the proposal of the Management Board respecting the principle of rotation;
- 12) consider and adopt the report on the work of the Chamber for the previous year;
- 13) consider and approve the financial report of the Chamber for the previous year;
- 14) consider and adopt the work program of the Chamber for the following year;
- 15) consider and adopt the Chamber's financial plan for the following year;
- 16) approve the report on the work of the Supervisory Board of the Chamber;
- 17) approve the report on the work of the prosecutor and the disciplinary court of the Chamber;
- 18) determine the amount of compensation for work in the bodies of the Chamber and professional chambers;
- 19) adopt the rulebook on awarding its members;
- 20) make a decision on giving the awards, on the proposal of the Management Board;
- 21) prescribe the conditions for awarding the title of honorary member of the Chamber;
- 22) make a decision on awarding the title of honorary member of the Chamber, on the proposal of the Management Board;
- 23) discuss and decide on matters important for the performance of activities, the position of members and the work of the Chamber;
- 24) adopt the rulebook on disciplinary procedure;
- 25) adopt and implement the annual professional development program of Chamber members;
- 26) approve the rulebook on the distribution of the Chamber's funds;
- 27) dispose of the property of the Chamber; and
- 28) perform other tasks in accordance with the Law and this statute.

The Assembly of the Chamber shall announce elections within a period of no less than 30 and no longer than 90 days before the constitution of a new convocation of the Assembly of the Chamber.

The Assembly of the Chamber shall make a decision on its dissolution.

### Article 21

The mandate of the delegates of the Assembly of the Chamber shall last for four years and shall be verified at the constituent session of the Assembly of the Chamber, with the right of the professional chambers to change their delegates if necessary during the current mandate.

The change of delegates of the Assembly of the Chamber shall be verified at the first following session of the Assembly of the Chamber.

### Article 22

The mandate of the delegate of the Assembly of the Chamber shall be terminated even before the expiration of the term for which he was elected, if:

- 1) recalled by his professional chamber or other competent body;
- 2) resign:
- 3) is sentenced to serving a prison sentence of more than six months; and
- 4) deleted from the register of members of the Chamber.

### **Article 23**

The Assembly of the Chamber may convene if necessary, and at least once every six months.

The president shall chair the work of the Assembly of the Chamber, and in his absence or incapacity, the vice-president of the Assembly of the Chamber.

The term of office of the president and vice president of the Assembly of the Chamber shall last for four years, and the same person cannot be re-elected to that position.

The regular session of the Assembly of the Chamber shall be convened by the president, and in his absence or inability by the vice-president of the Assembly of the Chamber.

Proposals for convening a special session of the Assembly of the Chamber may be submitted by: the Management Board, the Supervisory Board, the Secretary General or at least one third of the delegates of the Assembly of the Chamber.

The proposal from paragraph 5 of this article shall be made in writing with an agenda and appropriate material.

The President of the Assembly of the Chamber shall convene an extraordinary session no later than 15 days after receiving the proposal from paragraph 6 of this article.

If the president of the Assembly of the Chamber does not act in accordance with paragraph 7 of this article, the session of the Assembly of the Chamber may be convened and presided over by the proposer of the request for convening a special session of the Assembly of the Chamber.

The President of the Management Board, the Secretary General and the members of the Management Board shall, if necessary, participate in the work of the Assembly of the Chamber.

# Article 24

The Assembly of the Chamber may start work if more than half of the total number of delegates (quorum) attends the session of the Assembly of the Chamber.

If the session of the Assembly of the Chamber cannot be held due to lack of quorum, it shall be convened again with the same proposed agenda, no earlier than ten days, and no later than 15 days from the day when the session of the Assembly of the Chamber was supposed to be held (repeated session).

The Assembly of the Chamber shall make decisions by the majority of votes of the present delegates of the Assembly of the Chamber.

Exceptionally, when the statute of the Chamber is adopted, or the president and vice-president of the Assembly and the president of the Management Board elected, decisions shall be made by the majority of votes of the total number of delegates of the Assembly of the Chamber.

Voting in the Assembly of the Chamber is, as a rule, public.

The invitation to the session of the Assembly of the Chamber with the proposal of the agenda and material shall be delivered to the delegates of the Assembly of the Chamber by mail or e-mail, no later than ten days before the date of the session.

The method of participating in the work of the Assembly of the Chamber, exercising the rights of delegates, as well as other issues related to work and decision-making, shall be regulated in detail by the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of the Chamber.

Sessions of the Assembly of the Chamber may be held electronically.

Decisions regarding the adoption of the Statute, the election of the president and vice president of the Assembly and the president and vice president of the Management Board cannot be made at electronically held sessions.

# III/II Management Board of the Chamber Article 25

The Management Board shall be the body responsible for managing the work of the Chamber in accordance with the Law, this statute and other acts of the Chamber.

### Article 26

The Management Board consists of the president, one representative of each professional chamber and a representative of the competent Ministry.

The President of the Management Board is ex officio the President of the Chamber.

The Vice President of the Management Board shall be elected by the Management Board on the proposal of the President of the Management Board, from among the members of the Management Board, respecting the principle of rotation.

In case of absence or inability, the President of the Management Board shall be replaced by the Vice President of the Management Board.

A member of the Management Board cannot be a delegate of the Assembly of the Chamber.

The term of office of the President of the Management Board shall last four years and the same person cannot be re-elected to that position.

The term of office for members of the Management Board shall be four years, and the same person cannot be elected to that position more than twice.

The term of office of a member of the Management Board shall be terminated even before the expiration of the term for which he was elected if:

- 1) recalled by his professional chamber or other competent body;
- 2) resign;
- 3) is sentenced to serving a prison sentence of more than six months; and
- 4) deleted from the register of members of the Chamber.

The term of office of a member of the Management Board who was subsequently appointed, elected or replaced to a vacant position in the Management Board shall end with the expiration of the term of office of the Management Board.

The president of the professional chamber may attend the meetings of the Management Board without the right to vote.

The Secretary General of the Chamber shall participate in the work of the Management Board ex officio, without the right to vote.

### Article 27

As a rule, the president and vice-president of the executive committee of the professional chamber shall be members of the Chamber's Management Board, and the professional chamber may have the right to propose another person.

The assembly of the professional chamber may propose to replace a member of the Management Board from his/hers professional chamber.

# **Article 28**

Management Board shall:

- 1) implement decisions and conclusions of the Assembly of the Chamber;
- 2) prepare acts of the Chamber which are considered and adopted by the Assembly of the Chamber;
- 3) adopt rules of procedure on its work;
- 4) adopt the rulebook on the internal organization and systematization of jobs in the Secretariat of the Chamber;
- 5) adopt a collective agreement for the Secretariat of the Chamber;
- 6) elect and dismiss the Secretary General of the Chamber and appoint the person to replace him;
- 7) propose to the Assembly of the Chamber a member of the Chamber as a prosecutor in the disciplinary proceedings in the Chamber, upon the proposal of the Assembly of Professional Chambers;
- 8) propose to the Assembly of the Chamber members of the Chamber for president and two members of the Disciplinary Court of the Chamber, upon the proposal of the Assembly of Professional Chambers;
- 9) determine the draft report on the work of the Chamber for the previous year and propose it to the Assembly of the Chamber for adoption;
- 10) consider and propose to the Assembly of the Chamber the financial report of the Chamber for the previous year for adoption;
- 11) consider and adopt the work programs of professional chambers and determine the proposal of the work program of the Chamber for the following year and propose it to the Assembly of the Chamber for adoption;
- 12) consider and propose to the Assembly the Chamber's financial plan for the following year for adoption;
- 13) determine the amount of registration and membership fees of its members;
- 14) determine the proposal of the rulebook on disciplinary procedure;
- 15) determine the proposed rulebook on the use and distribution of the Chamber's funds;
- 16) determine the Chamber's public procurement plan;
- 17) pass acts on the work of Chamber bodies;
- 18) determine the content and manner of managing and keeping the registers of the Chamber;
- 19) propose the amount of compensation for work in the bodies of the Chamber and professional chambers;
- 20) propose to the Assembly of the Chamber the conditions for obtaining the title of honorary member of the Chamber;
- 21) prepare a list of Chamber members' proposals for granting awards and submit them to the Assembly of the Chamber for consideration and adoption;
- 22) determine the amount of obligations of professional chambers according to the common needs of the Chamber, based on the work program and the planned costs of the functioning of the Chamber, respecting the principle of parity and equality;
- 23) on the proposal of the president of the Chamber, decide on the membership of the Chamber in international organizations and other organizations and appoints representatives of the Chamber in those associations, that is, organizations and bodies;
- 24) on the proposal of the president of the Chamber, appoint editors and members of the editorial boards of printed and electronic editions and presentations of the Chamber;
- 25) organize and ensure the performance of entrusted tasks, as well as works of importance for the professional practice and improvement of the work of the members of the Chamber;
- 26) pass acts for the implementation of public authorization transferred by law;
- 27) carry out the performance of entrusted expert work;
- 28) propose to the Assembly of the Chamber the annual professional development program of Chamber members and carry out its implementation; and
- 29) perform other tasks in accordance with the law and general acts of the Chamber.
- The Management Board may appoint a committee to carry out certain tasks.

The decision on the formation of the commission shall determine its scope of work, composition and amount of compensation for work.

The Management Board may make a decision on forming a regional office of the Chamber of Engineers.

# Article 29

The Management Board shall work at the sessions of the Management Board, and make decisions by the majority

of votes of the total number of members of the Management Board.

The meeting of the Management Board shall be scheduled and conducted by the President of the Management Board, and in case of his absence or inability, the Vice President of the Management Board.

Special sessions of the Management Board shall be convened by the President of the Management Board within 15 days, if requested in writing by the President of the Chamber Assembly, at least a third of the members of the Management Board, the Supervisory Board or the Executive Board of a professional chamber.

The Management Board may hold a session if the majority of members of the Management Board attend the session. The sessions of the Management Board may also be held electronically.

The Management Board is responsible for its work to the Assembly of the Chamber.

# III/III President of the Chamber Article 30

The President of the Chamber shall represent the Chamber within the powers and competences of the Management Board. In addition to the authority from paragraph 1 of this article, the president of the Chamber shall:

- 1) organize, direct and coordinate the cooperation of the Chamber with the competent ministry;
- 2) organize, direct and coordinate the cooperation of the Chamber with other bodies and organizations in the country and abroad;
- 3) coordinate the work of professional chambers and monitor the implementation of planned activities in direct contact with the presidents of the Executive Boards of professional chambers; and
- 4) sign cooperation protocols.

### Article 31

The term of office of the President of the Chamber shall last for four years and the same person cannot be re-elected to that position.

The election of the President of the Chamber is done according to the principle of rotation between professional chambers.

The provisions of this statute on the termination of the term of office of a member of the Management Board also apply to the termination of the term of office of the President of the Chamber.

### Article 32

The president of the Chamber cannot be the president and member of the permanent committees of the Chamber.

# III/IV Secretary General of the Chamber Article 33

Secretary General shall:

- 1) represent the Chamber and manage the work of the Secretariat of the Chamber, and in case of absence or inability, is obliged to appoint a person to replace him;
- 2) be responsible for the legality of the work of the Chamber;
- 3) coordinate the work of the bodies of the Chamber;
- 4) sign acts of the Chamber within its jurisdiction;
- 5) sign contracts and documents related to the material and financial operations of the Chamber, in accordance with the law, statute and acts of the Chamber;
- 6) submit regular and, if necessary, extraordinary reports on the operations of the Chamber within its jurisdiction to the Management Board;
- 7) if necessary, participate in the work of bodies and commissions of the Chamber;
- 8) organize and ensure the performance of entrusted tasks;
- 9) organize and ensure the performance of tasks of importance for the professional practice and training of members of the Chamber; and
- 10) perform other tasks provided for by law, this statute and other general acts of the Chamber, as well as other tasks entrusted to him by the Management Board.

The Secretary General of the Chamber shall answer for his work to the Management Board of the Chamber and professional chambers.

### Article 34

The Secretary General of the Chamber shall be elected by the Management Board of the Chamber, based on a public competition and the submitted work and development program of the Chamber.

The term of office of the Secretary General of the Chamber shall last for four years and the same person may be elected once more to the same position in a competition procedure.

The selection process is initiated by the Management Board, no later than three months before the expiration of the General Secretary's term.

The contract between the President of the Management Board and the Secretary General shall establish the employment of the Secretary General, determine his rights and obligations, as well as the conditions for termination before the expiration of the term established by the contract.

The term of office of the Secretary General shall be terminated at the expiration of the period for which he was elected in accordance with the contract concluded with him by the President of the Management Board of the Chamber.

The Management Board may discharge the Secretary General even before the expiration of the term.

The Secretary General may resign before the expiration of his term, notifying the Management Board at least 30 days in advance.

In the event of termination of the position of the General Secretary from para. 5, 6 and 7 of this article, the Management Board appoints an acting secretary from among the Secretariat, until the election of a new Secretary General.

# III/V Supervisory Board Article 35

The Supervisory Board of the Chamber shall have three members: the president and two members, elected by the Assembly of the Chamber, on the proposal of professional chambers.

A member of the Supervisory Board cannot be from the professional chamber from which the president of the Chamber was elected.

Members of the Supervisory Board cannot be elected to the bodies of the Chamber, Executive Committees and Assemblies of professional chambers and Chamber commissions.

The term of office of members of the Supervisory Board shall last four years, and the same person cannot be elected to that position more than twice.

The Supervisory Board shall supervise:

- 1) implementation of the Statute and other general acts of the Chamber;
- 2) exercise of rights and fulfillment of obligations of members of the Chamber; and
- 3) material and financial operations of the Chamber.

The Supervisory Board shall adopt Rules of Procedure on its work.

The Supervisory Board shall convene when needed, and at least once every three months.

The Supervisory Board may appoint an expert or a committee to carry out certain tasks within its jurisdiction. The Supervisory Board shall submit a report on its work to the Assembly of the Chamber at least once every six months.

The Assembly, the Management Board, the President, the General Secretary and other bodies of professional chambers shall be obliged to submit all the necessary data related to their operations at the request of the Supervisory Board.

### IV PROFESSIONAL CHAMBER

## **Article 36**

In order to achieve the goals of the Chamber and carry out tasks within the competence of the profession, with the aim of improving the profession and achieving appropriate participation of the profession in the work of the Chamber, the Chamber is organized in following Professional Chambers:

- 1) Professional Chamber of Architects;
- 2) Professional Chamber of Civil Engineers;

- 3) Professional Chamber of Electrical Engineers;
- 4) Professional Chamber of Mechanical Engineers; and
- 5) Professional chamber of other engineering professions.

Professional Chambers are organizational parts of the Chamber made up of Chamber members.

### Article 37

The bodies of the Professional Chamber are as follows:

- 1) Assembly of the Professional Chamber;
- 2) Executive Board of the Professional Chamber; and
- 3) President of the Professional Chamber.

### Article 38

Each professional chamber shall realize its rights and fulfill its obligations established by this Statute and the work program of the professional chamber.

Professional Chambers shall have their own sub-account within the single bank account of the Chamber.

Professional Chambers shall dispose of funds, in accordance with the financial plan and general acts, through sub-accounts within the unique bank account of the Chamber.

The use of financial resources by the professional chambers, in accordance with the financial plan and the corresponding decision of the professional chamber's body, shall be ensured in such a way that the same have to be signed by the president of the professional chamber and the authorized person of the Chamber.

# Assembly of the professional chamber

Article 39

The Professional Chamber shall have an Assembly.

The Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall have a maximum of 20 delegates.

The term of the delegate of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall last four years.

The Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall have a president and a vice president.

The term of the president and vice president of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall last for four years, and the same person can be elected for a maximum of two terms.

In case of absence or inability of the president of the Assembly of Professional Chambers, he shall be replaced by the vice president of the Assembly of Professional Chambers.

The president and members of the Executive Board of the Professional Chamber cannot be delegates of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber.

The term of the delegate of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall terminate even before the expiration of the term for which he was elected, if:

- 1) recalled by his Professional Chamber or other competent authority;
- 2) resigns;
- 3) is sentenced to serving a prison sentence of more than six months; and
- 4) is deleted from the register of members of the Chamber.

### Article 40

Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall:

- 1) propose the work program of the Professional Chamber;
- 2) adopt the rules of procedure for its work;
- 3) propose a financial plan in accordance with the work program of the Professional Chamber;
- 4) elect and dismiss delegates to the Assembly of the Chamber and representatives in the bodies of the Chamber;
- 5) elect and dismiss the president and vice-president of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber;
- 6) elect and dismiss the president, vice president and members of the Executive Board of the Professional Chamber;
- 7) start the initiative for the adoption and improvement of regulations in the field of his profession; and

8) determine proposals for the awarding of awards to deserving members from its professional chamber.

### Article 41

The Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall convene at sessions that can be regular or special.

The regular session of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall be scheduled at least once every six months, and special sessions as needed.

The president of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall chair the work of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber, and in case of his absence or inability, the vice president of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber.

The president of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber shall convene regular session of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber, and in case of his absence or inability, the vice president of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber.

The proposal for convening special session of the assembly of the professional chamber can be submitted by: the president of the Executive Board of the professional chamber, the Executive Board of the professional chamber, the Management Board of the Chamber, the Secretary General of the Chamber or at least one third of the delegates of the professional chamber assembly.

The proposal from paragraph 5 of this article must be made in writing with an agenda and appropriate material.

The president of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber is obliged to convene a special session of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber no later than 15 days after receiving the initiative from paragraph 6 of this article.

If the president of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber does not act in accordance with paragraph 7 of this article, the assembly may convene and preside over by the applicant of the initiative for convening a special session of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber.

Members of the Management Board delegated by the Professional Chamber and the president of the Executive Board of the professional chamber must, and members of the Executive Board of the professional chamber, if necessary, participate in the work of the assembly sessions of the professional chamber.

The Secretary General may also participate in the sessions of the Assembly of the Professional Chamber, upon invitation.

### **Article 42**

The assembly of the professional chamber may commence session if more than half of the total number of delegates (quorum) attend the session of the assembly of the professional chamber.

If the session of the assembly of the professional chamber could not be held due to the lack of a quorum, it is convened again with the same proposed agenda, no earlier than ten days, and no later than 15 days from the day when the session was supposed to be held (repeated session).

The Assembly of Professional Chambers shall make decisions by the majority of votes of the delegates present. Voting in the assembly of the professional chamber shall be, as a rule, public.

The invitation to the session of the assembly of the professional chamber with the proposal of the agenda and material shall be delivered to the delegates of the assembly of the professional chambers by mail or e-mail, no later than ten days before the day of the session.

The method of participating in the work of the assembly of the professional chamber, exercising the rights of delegates, as well as other issues related to work and decision-making, shall be regulated in more detail by the rules of procedure on the work of the Assembly of the professional chamber.

Sessions of the assembly of the professional chamber may be held electronically.

# Executive Board of the Professional Chamber Article 43

The professional chamber shall have an executive board consisting of the president, vice-president and a maximum of five members of the professional chamber.

The president of the executive board of the professional chamber is ex officio the president of the professional chamber.

The term of the members of the executive board of the professional chamber shall last four years and the same person cannot be elected to that position more than twice.

The same person may be elected to the position of president and vice president of the executive board of the professional chamber for a maximum of two terms.

The executive board of the professional chamber shall work and make decisions at the sessions of the executive board.

The president of the executive board of the professional chamber shall chair the sessions of the executive board of the professional chamber, and in his absence the vice president.

The rights, obligations and responsibilities of the members of the executive board of the professional chamber, the method of voting, organizing and conducting sessions and other procedural issues, shall be determined by the executive board of the professional chamber by the rules of procedure.

## Article 45

Executive Board of the Professional Chamber shall:

- 1) take care of the promotion of the home profession;
- 2) prepare and propose to the assembly of the professional chamber the work program and financial plan in accordance with the work program of the professional chamber;
- 3) adopt rules of procedure on its work;
- 4) encourage and organize professional development of members of its professional chamber;
- 5) take care of successful financial operations within the funds for the realization of the work program of the professional chamber;
- 6) propose to initiate the procedure for deleting members of their professional chamber from the Chamber's register in case of violation of the code of ethics;
- 7) propose to the assembly of his professional chamber candidates for awarding awards and recognitions of the Chamber;
- 8) submit reports and inform the assembly of the professional chamber about its work, as necessary, and at least once every six months;
- 9) propose acts to be adopted by the assembly of the professional chamber;
- 10) perform other duties and tasks determined by this statute and other acts of the Chamber, which refer to professional chambers;
- 11) the executive board may appoint an expert or a committee to perform certain tasks within its jurisdiction; and
- 12) perform other tasks within the competence of his/hers profession.

# President of the professional chamber Article 46

President of the professional chamber shall:

- 1) represent the professional chamber in accordance with the provisions of this statute;
- 2) organize and manage the work of the professional chamber;
- 3) execute the decisions of the executive board of the professional chamber.
- 4) ensure quality cooperation between the professional chamber and the bodies of the Chamber;
- 5) ensure dedicated, efficient, economical and complete use of funds from the sub-account of the professional chamber, in accordance with the financial plan and with the obligatory active coordination of the general secretary;
- 6) dispose of the financial resources of the professional chamber in individual amounts in accordance with this statute and acts of the Chamber and with the obligatory active coordination of the general secretary; and
- 7) inform the executive board of the professional chamber about the financial operations of the professional chamber, with the mandatory active coordination of the general secretary.

In the absence of the president of the executive board of the professional chamber, the powers from paragraph 1 shall be exercised by the vice president of the executive board of the professional chamber.

### V BODIES OF THE CHAMBER

### **Article 47**

The bodies of the Chamber are: the prosecutor in the Chamber's disciplinary proceedings, the Chamber's disciplinary court and the Chamber's editorial board.

The tasks, manner of work, obligations and other matters of importance for their work shall be determined by special acts.

## VI SECRETARIAT OF THE CHAMBER

### Article 48

The organization and manner of work of the Chamber shall ensure the necessary, efficient, timely and rational performance of the tasks established by the Law, statute and other acts of the Chamber.

In order to perform professional, administrative, administrative-technical, material-financial, auxiliary and other tasks within the competence of professional chambers, bodies, permanent bodies and occasional committees of the Chamber, a single secretariat of the Chamber shall be formed in the Chamber.

# **Article 49**

The head of the Secretariat shall be the Secretary General of the Chamber.

### Article 50

The scope of work of employees in the Secretariat of the Chamber shall be regulated by the rulebook on the organization and systematization of workplaces.

The rights and obligations of employees in the Chamber's Secretariat shall be regulated by a collective agreement.

# VII FINANCING OF THE CHAMBER

### Article 51

Funds for financing the Chamber shall be provided from:

- 1) membership fee;
- 2) other sources in accordance with the law and general acts of the Chamber;

# VIII PUBLICITY OF THE CHAMBER'S WORK

## Article 52

Publicity of the work of the Chamber shall be ensured by submitting the work program of the Chamber and reports on the work of the Chamber at the Assembly of the Chamber, informing through public media, internet presentation and special editions of the Chamber.

# IX ACTS OF THE CHAMBER

# **Article 53**

Acts of the Chamber are the statute, code of ethics, collective agreement, regulations, rules of procedure and instructions of the bodies of the Chamber.

Draft acts of the Chamber shall be submitted to the bodies of professional chambers for consideration and giving opinions and proposals.

The public discussion on the draft acts of the Chamber shall last a minimum of 15 days and a maximum of 60 days.

# Article 54

The statute is basically an act of the Chamber with which all other acts of the Chamber must be harmonized.

In the event that the provisions of other acts are in conflict with the Statute of the Chamber, the provisions of the statute shall be applied directly.

### Article 55

Amendments to the statute and other acts are made in the manner and according to the procedure prescribed for their adoption.

The initiative for the adoption of the statute and its amendments may be given by the Management Board and assemblies of professional chambers.

The initiative shall be submitted to the Management Board of the Chamber for consideration, and if accepted, the Management Board shall appoint a committee to draft the statute, i.e. its amendments, and determine the manner of conducting and duration of the public discussion.

### Article 56

The Statute and other general acts of the Chamber shall be public, they are published in accordance with positive regulations and on the website of the Chamber www.ingkomora.me.

### X REGISTERS OF THE CHAMBER

### Article 57

The Chamber shall keep the registers of:

- 1) members of the Chamber;
- 2) members of the Chamber whose membership in the Chamber is suspended;
- 3) professional training and achieved number of points of members of the Chamber; and
- 4) passed professional exams.

The registers from paragraph 1 of this article shall be public and have to be published on the Chamber's website.

# XI DISCIPLINARY RESPONSIBILITY

### Article 58

A member of the Chamber shall act in accordance with legal regulations, the statute of the Chamber, the code of ethics and other acts of the Chamber.

Disciplinary proceedings shall be initiated against a member of the Chamber in case of minor and serious violations of duty.

# Article 59

Minor violations of duty shall be considered the following:

- 1) disruption of order at the sessions of the Chamber's bodies and the sessions of the bodies of professional chambers:
- 2) avoiding performing duties in the Chamber and in the professional chambers to which they were elected; and
- 3) non-attendance at the meetings of the bodies of the Chamber and bodies of the professional chamber.

### Article 60

Gross misconduct of a member of the Chamber shall be considered if he/she:

- 1) commits a criminal offense that calls into question his/hers worthiness to continue performing engineering activities;
- 2) during the suspension of the right to work based on the authorization from Article 150 of the Law, he/she performs the duties of an authorized engineer or if he/she circumvents this measure in any way;
- 3) contrary to the Law and the license he holds, in the provision of professional services he mediates with certain authorities or legal entities for his own benefit or that of others;
- 4) unconscionably performs engineering work;
- 5) performance of work is conditioned by convenience, business or administrative, personally or through an intermediary;
- 6) contrary to the provisions of the Code of Ethics of the Chamber, takes over the work contracted by another engineer;
- 7) requests or receives a commission;
- 8) as an employee of a company, does not respect the acts of the Chamber and the laws;
- 9) seeks or obtains jobs in an unworthy manner or if he signs projects, expert opinions and the like, prepared by an unauthorized person;
- 10) does not respect the intellectual property and other acquired copyrights of other engineers; and

11) directly participates in the construction of facilities contrary to the Law.

The Rulebook on Disciplinary Responsibility regulates in more detail the manner of conducting proceedings against a member of the Chamber.

### XII PUBLISHING ACTIVITY OF THE CHAMBER

### Article 61

With the aim of improving the development of professional activities within the Chamber, publishing activities shall be organized and carried out in the Chamber.

The general conditions and the manner of performing the publishing activity shall be regulated in detail by the rulebook on the publishing activity.

## XIII TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

# **Article 62**

The draft statute of the Chamber determined by the Management Board of the Chamber for adoption at the Assembly of the Chamber shall be subject to public discussion in accordance with Article 53 para. 2 and 3 of this statute.

The interpretation of the provisions of this statute shall be provided by the Assembly of the Chamber.

### Article 63

The Statute shall be adopted by the Assembly of the Chamber, after obtaining the prior consent of the competent Ministry on the articles of the Statute that refer to the exercise of public authority.

The Statute shall be published in the "Official Gazette of Montenegro" in accordance with the Law.

# **Article 64**

Competent bodies of the Chamber shall harmonize the acts of the Chamber with the provisions of this statute within 90 days from the date of its entry into force, except for acts related to public authority, the deadline of which is prescribed by the Law.

### Article 65

On the day this statute enters into force, the Statute of the Chamber of Engineers of Montenegro, number 620/4 as of March 26, 2012, ceases to be valid.

# **Article 66**

This statute shall enter into force on the eighth day from the day of its publication in the "Official Gazette of Montenegro".