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Procedures and Guidelines for Re-election of Vice President

Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions contained in Article 16 of the Constitution, the re-election of Vice President shall be made in accordance with the following procedures and guidelines:

A. Procedures for Re-election of Vice President

1. The newest incumbent Vice President may be re-elected for one further term of two years, while the other incumbent Vice President may be re-elected for one year.
2. To be re-elected as Vice President, each incumbent Vice President must receive a simple majority of the total number of valid votes (i.e. total number of votes for and against) cast in his favour.

B. Guidelines for Re-election of Vice President

1. The President of the Institution shall not take part in electioneering.
2. The Secretariat of the Institution shall remain neutral.
3. Resources of the Institution shall not be used in canvassing activities in electioneering. The said resources are those or any tangible costs that should be or could be a legitimate item for entry in the divisional accounts.
4. Lobbying will not be permitted on the day of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) at voting centre(s).
5. Candidates may not remain in the polling stations as determined by the Institution from time to time for any purpose other than casting their own votes.
6. Candidates can send their own election material at their own costs to all Corporate Members who are eligible for voting on the day of the AGM by way of direct mailing and/or through the Institution's e-Newsletter arrangement. For details, rules and deadline, please refer to the guidelines on "Arrangements on circulation of election material published by Candidates standing for Vice President and Elected Ordinary Member election and Vice President re-election".
7. The words "**Election Material**" in font size fourteen (14) in Times New Roman and in bold must be clearly marked on the top right-hand corner of the election material. Candidates may use the HKIE logo in a designated area of their election material in the format as attached. In addition the statement "**The information in the election material is of my own. The Institution assumes no responsibility in terms of their correctness, accuracy, or otherwise.**" must be printed at the bottom of the election material in font size twelve (12) Times New Roman. The Institution has the authority to delete any passages that are deemed defamatory and unsuitable.
8. The provisions under Article 16 of Constitution governing the re-election of Vice President are reproduced overleaf.

Article 16(b)

The Vice Presidents shall be nominated by the Council from among the Fellows who have been or will have completed at least two Sessions as Council Members by the time they assume office as the Vice President if elected. Save for incumbent Vice Presidents to be re-elected in accordance with this article, the Vice Presidents shall normally hold office for three years. At any time on or before the date of the Annual General Meeting to be held in 2026, incumbent Vice President(s) may be re-elected for one further term of up to two years. The preceding sentence of this article shall cease to have effect after the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting to be held in 2026.

Article 16(h)

Not later than twenty-eight (28) days before the date of the Annual General Meeting the Council shall circulate to all Corporate Members the names of the President, the Immediate Past President and the Council Members (Division) for the ensuing year, and a list of Council's nominations for the other Officers. Not later than twenty-one (21) days before the Annual General Meeting any two Corporate Members may submit to the Secretary in writing a nomination, accompanied by the nominee's consent to serve if elected, of any other person duly qualified to fill a vacancy for Elected Ordinary Member for the Council. Not later than fourteen (14) days before the Annual General Meeting the Council shall circulate a list of all nominations for Officers and for Elected Ordinary Members of the Council to be elected pursuant to Article 16 (j).

Article 16(j)

The Vice President(s) and Elected Ordinary Members shall be elected on the day of the Annual General Meeting by the Corporate Members voting in person at voting centre(s) by way of secret ballot. The new Council shall assume office immediately after the closure of the Annual General Meeting. The venue of the Annual General Meeting and voting centre(s) shall be determined by the Council.

Article 16(j)(i)

(applicable to the re-election of incumbent Vice Presidents in accordance with Article 16(b)) To be re-elected as Vice President, each incumbent Vice President must receive a simple majority of the total number of valid votes (i.e. total number of votes for and against) cast in his favour.

Article 16(j)(iii)

In the event that there shall still remain any vacancy in respect of Vice President, the vacancy shall be filled by applying Article 17(1)(b)(i) as if a casual vacancy in respect thereof had occurred.