



OXFORD UNIVERSITY ASIA-PACIFIC SOCIETY

CONSTITUTION

Article I - NAME:

Section 1. The name of the Society shall be the Oxford University Asia Pacific Society and for future reference it can also be referred to as 'OUAPS' and in this constitution hereafter also referred to as 'The Society'.

Article II - OBJECTIVES:

Section 1. The Society aims to promote an interest and understanding in political, economic, social and cultural developments in Asia and the Pacific regions of the world.

Article III - MEMBERSHIP:

Section 1. Membership of the Society shall be open to all matriculated members of the University.

Section 2. The Society may offer Membership on such terms as it may decide.

Section 3. The Executive Committee may expel any member whose conduct seems likely to bring the Society into disrepute. Such expulsion shall be subject to confirmation at the next General Meeting of the Society.

Article IV - THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Section 1. The day-to-day management of the Society's affairs shall be in the hands of the Executive Committee and Ordinary Committee.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of a President, Vice-President (President-Elect), Chief Secretary and Financial Secretary to be elected at a General Meeting, and other such Executive officers to be determined by the President. The maximum term of office for Executive officers may not exceed two terms.

Section 3. Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be chaired by the President. If the President is absent, the remaining members shall elect a Chairperson for that meeting. The quorum for a meeting of the Executive Committee shall be three members and a written record of each meeting shall be kept.

Article V - GENERAL MEETINGS

Section 1. General Meetings shall be held once each term. At least seven days written notice shall be given to members before a General Meeting.

Section 2. A General Meeting shall conduct a report of the previous term's business and conduct such other business as may be necessary.

Section 3. An Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) may be held at any time. It shall be held in Oxford and may be called by the Executive Committee or at the written request of at least ten members. Seven days written notice shall be given to members before an EGM is held. An EGM shall have the same powers as an AGM.

Section 4. The President shall take the Chair at any General Meeting. In the absence of the President the meeting shall elect a Chairperson for that meeting. The quorum for a General Meeting shall be five members and a written record of every General Meeting shall be kept.

Article VI - CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION:

Section 1. The Constitution may be amended at a General Meeting.

Article VII - DISSOLUTION:

Section 1. Any ordinary member may move for the Society to be dissolved provided he is seconded by at least three other ordinary members.

Section 2. A written motion shall be submitted to the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be under a duty to hold an extraordinary general meeting to determine the issue.

Section 4. The general meeting shall be held no less than seven days and no more than twenty-one days after the motion is received by the Executive Committee.

Section 5. There shall be a quorum of one-half of the ordinary members.

Section 6. No resolution shall be passed to dissolve the society unless two-thirds of the ordinary members present in a general meeting vote in favour to dissolve the society.