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REGULATIONS OF THE FACULTY OF PHYSICS OF VILNIUS UNIVERSITY

CHAPTER I GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The Faculty of Physics (hereinafter the ‘Faculty’) of Vilnius University (hereinafter the ‘University’) shall be the internal organisational structure of the University with the status of a core academic unit, within which all types of the principal activities of the University shall be carried out. The Faculty shall exercise internal autonomy, the limits of which shall be determined by these Regulations. The Faculty shall be established and liquidated, and its Regulations approved, by the Senate of the University (hereinafter the ‘Senate’) upon proposal from the Rector of the University (hereinafter the ‘Rector’).

2. The Faculty shall carry out its activity in accordance with the Statute of the University (hereinafter the ‘Statute’); the Regulatory Framework for Research, Artistic Activity and Studies (hereinafter the ‘Reguliaminas’); these Regulations; other legal acts passed by the Senate, the Council of the University, the Rector, and the governing bodies of the Faculty based on their competency; and the laws and their implementing legislation of the Republic of Lithuania.

3. The activity of the Faculty shall be financed from the appropriations from the State budget, the own funds of the University, and other lawfully acquired funds.

4. The Faculty shall possess a Senate-approved flag, template, logo, and seal that correspond to the traditions and style of the University. The template and seal of the Faculty shall be used in the Faculty’s operational documents attributed to the Faculty’s competency.

5. The self-governance of the Faculty shall be implemented by the Council of the Faculty (hereinafter the ‘Council’) established under the procedure laid down by the Statute, the Senate, and these Regulations.

6. The Faculty shall be headed by and the responsibility for its activity shall be undertaken by the Dean of the Faculty (hereinafter the ‘Dean’), who shall be elected and appointed under the procedure laid down by the Statute, the Senate, and these Regulations.

7. The structure of the Faculty shall comprise its governing bodies (the Council and the Dean) and internal organisational structures – branch academic units (institutes, centres), branch non-academic units, internal academic structures without the rights of an administrative unit, and other internal units provided for in the regulations of a branch academic unit.

8. In accordance with the procedure laid down by the law and the legal acts of the University, the Faculty may have the right to independently take decisions on public procurement and independently carry out procurement, have a separate budget line for procurement, independently conclude procurement contracts, and use its budget for making payments pursuant to those contracts.

CHAPTER II THE PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE ACTIVITIES

9. The activities of the Faculty shall be based on the mission, objectives, and principles of activity of the University set out in the Statute, and the priorities provided for in the Action Plan of the Faculty. The purpose of the Faculty’s activities shall be the following: training highly qualified specialists and researchers; developing scientific research of a high international level; ensuring the unity of science and studies; ensuring the quality of scientific research and studies; participating in

innovative activities and high-tech business development; educating active and responsible citizens and leaders of society.

10. The objectives of the Faculty shall be the following:

10.1. to initiate, organise and conduct research in the areas of physics, biomedicine, and technologies as well as interdisciplinary one of international level, to pursue dissemination of scientific and technological achievements in the national and international arena;

10.2. to initiate, organise, and conduct studies of all cycles, non-formal studies, postdoctoral fellowships, participate in training teachers, and carry out other educational or teaching (lecturing) activities;

10.3. to join international research networks and structures, implement advanced best practices of other universities in the area of research and studies organisation;

10.4. to participate in national and international scientific, study, and educational programmes and projects, taking into account their relevance to the fields of activity developed by the Faculty;

10.5. to build state-of-the-art infrastructure for research, experimental, social, and technological development, and innovative activity, based on the principles of open access;

10.6. to promote and develop cooperation among science, business, and public sectors by transferring technologies and implementing innovations, cooperate with Lithuanian and foreign study, science, and business institutions, social partners, and alumni, represent the University locally and worldwide;

10.7. to carry out and develop service provision, consulting, and expert activities;

10.8. to nurture the values and long-standing traditions of the University, to encourage the participation of members of the Faculty community in general University activities, as well as their socially responsible behaviour and volunteering.

11. The purpose and objectives of the Faculty shall be implemented by the Faculty community.

12. The Faculty shall prepare and implement its Action Plan, which shall identify the priorities, measures for their implementation, time limits, indicators, resources, and persons responsible for the implementation of measures. The Action Plan of the Faculty shall be drawn up for a period of three years in accordance with the Strategic Plan of the University and the purpose and objectives of the Faculty.

CHAPTER III THE COUNCIL

13. The Council shall be a collegial self-governance body of the Faculty formed for a period of four years.

14. Members of the Council, with the exception of the *ex officio* member of the Council and student representatives of all study cycles of the Faculty, who are delegated under the procedure laid down by the Students' Representation of the University, shall be elected in a direct election by research and teaching staff of the Faculty (hereinafter the 'electors') following the requirements specified in Article 12(4) of the Statute.

15. The Council shall comprise 20 members:

15.1. five professors and/or research professors working at the Faculty and conforming to the requirements set out in Article 12(4) of the Statute;

15.2. five associate professors and/or senior researchers working at the Faculty and conforming to the requirements set out in Article 12(4) of the Statute;

15.3. five members of the academic and/or non-academic community working at the Faculty and conforming to the requirements set out in Article 12(4) of the Statute, which may also be employees belonging to the groups detailed in Items 15(1) and 15(2);

15.4. four student representatives of the Faculty in accordance with the requirements of Article 21(11) of the Statute;

15.5. Dean (*ex officio* member).

16. The general requirements for the procedure for electing and recalling the members of the Council shall be set out in the Description of the Procedure for the Election of Members of the Councils of Core Academic Units approved by the Senate. A Council member may be recalled by the entity that has elected or appointed the said Council member due to a crime, misdemeanour, violation of administrative law, disciplinary or official misconduct, gross violation of the Statute, the Code of Academic Ethics, or any other breach of legal or moral norms that is inconsistent with the duties of a Council member. Additional grounds and procedures for recalling students' representatives from the Commission may be set out by the Students' Representation of the University.

17. Each branch academic unit of the Faculty shall be represented by no less than one representative of each of the categories indicated in Items 15(1)–15(3).

18. The Council election (including the registration of candidates) shall be organised and its results established by the electoral commission of the Faculty. The composition of the electoral commission of the Faculty, upon proposal from the Dean of the Faculty, shall be approved and its chairperson shall be appointed by the Central Electoral Commission. Members of the electoral commission may not stand as candidates to members of the Council. Members of the Council – students' representatives – shall be appointed (elected) following the procedure laid down by the Students' Representation of the University in accordance with the requirements laid down in Article 21(11) of the Statute.

19. The Council shall elect its chairperson from Council members. Upon proposal from its chairperson, the Council shall approve the deputy chair. The Dean, the Vice-Deans, and the students' representative shall not be eligible for election as chairperson or the deputy chair of the Council. The chairperson and the deputy chair of the Council shall not work at the same branch unit. The chairperson of the Council shall be from a different branch academic unit than the Dean and the Vice-Dean responsible for the organisation of studies. In the event that the chairperson of the Council is unable to perform their duties due to illness or other important reasons, their functions shall be performed by the deputy chair of the Council.

20. The activity of the Council shall take the form of meetings. A meeting of the Council shall be deemed lawful if it is attended by at least two-thirds of the members of the Council. In the exercise of its powers, the Council shall adopt resolutions. Resolutions of the Council shall be adopted by a simple majority of the present members of the Council, except in cases when these Regulations or the Rules of Procedure of the Council call for a qualified majority.

21. The Council shall:

21.1. approve its Rules of Procedure;

21.2. elect the Dean and submit the candidature to the Rector for appointment;

21.3. express no-confidence in the Dean if it is voted for by at least two-thirds of all members of the Council, or decide by a simple majority on no-confidence expressed by the Rector against the Dean;

21.4. in the event that the Rector, by a reasoned decision, does not appoint the Dean elected by the Council, organise repeated election for the position of the Dean;

21.5. upon proposal from the Dean, approve the Action Plan of the Faculty;

21.6. consider and approve annual performance reports of the Faculty submitted by the Dean, and submit its conclusion on the implementation of the Action Plan of the Faculty to the Rector;

21.7. in the event that the Council does not approve the annual performance report of the Faculty, the Dean shall be given a period of one month to correct and/or revise the report and present it to the Council for reconsideration; if the Council repeatedly refuses to approve the annual performance report of the Faculty, the Council shall issue a vote of expressing no-confidence in respect to the Dean and shall immediately inform the Rector thereof; in this case, the Rector may also express no-confidence in respect to the Dean;

21.8. upon proposal from the Dean, establish the number of the Vice-Deans, approve their candidatures and functions;

21.9. upon proposal from the Dean, consider and approve the regulations of branch academic units;

21.10. upon a motivated proposal from the Dean, establish and liquidate branch academic units and propose the Rector to submit related amendments to the Regulations of the Faculty to the Senate for approval;

21.11. upon proposal from the Dean, consider and propose the Rector to submit amendments to the Regulations of the Faculty to the Senate for approval;

21.12. upon proposal from the Dean, consider proposals to the Rector on the establishment and liquidation of branch non-academic units;

21.13. upon proposal from the Dean, establish *pro-rata* deductions from the funds of branch academic units for general purposes of the Faculty;

21.14. upon proposal from the Dean, approve annual revenue and expenditure estimates of the Faculty (that shall consist of estimates of funds managed and used by branch academic units, including the funds used for the implementation of the first, second, and third cycle studies, estimates of the Faculty's centrally managed funds allocated for funding the first, second, and third cycle studies implemented at the Faculty, and estimates of funds deducted for the administration of the Faculty and the implementation of the Strategy). Upon proposal from the Dean, the Council shall approve the reports on the implementation of these estimates and of the joint annual revenue and expenditure estimates of the Faculty;

21.15. upon proposal from the Dean, approve the fields of scientific research, the programmes of scientific research, experimental, social, and technological development and innovative activities of the Faculty or its branch academic units;

21.16. propose to the Rector for approval the composition(s) of the Doctoral Studies Committee(s) for the relevant field(s) of science;

21.17. consider study programmes and submit them to the Senate for approval following the procedure established at the University;

21.18. upon proposal from the Dean, approve the committees for study programmes implemented at the Faculty and approve their chairpersons;

21.19. consider proposals from the Dean regarding student places at the Faculty and the admission requirements;

21.20. upon proposal from the Dean, approve rules governing research and studies at the Faculty;

21.21. assess the results of performed scientific research, experimental, social, and technological development, innovative activities, studies, and the quality and level of the activities of the Faculty as a whole;

21.22. consider proposals from the Dean to the Rector to announce competitions for the positions of professor;

21.23. consider and submit to the Rector the candidates for the titles (status) laid down in the Regulations on Emeritus, Affiliation and Honours of the University;

21.24. upon submission of the chairperson of the Council, establish the Academic Ethics Commission of the Faculty and appoint its chairperson;

21.25. upon submission of the chairperson of the Council, establish the Dispute Resolution Commission of the Faculty and appoint its chairperson;

21.26. perform other functions established in the legal acts of the University, as well as exercise power not directly specified in the legal acts that relates to the purpose of the Council laid down by Article 28(3) of the Statute and Item 6 of these Regulations.

CHAPTER IV THE DEAN

22. A person who conforms to the requirements for a head of a core academic unit specified in the Statute shall be eligible to be appointed the Dean.

23. The Dean shall be responsible and accountable to the Council and the Rector. The Dean shall be an *ex officio* member of the Rectorate and shall participate in the strategic governance of the

University. On the issues of economy and asset management and the organisation of other non-academic activities of the Faculty, the Dean shall also be accountable to the Chancellor of the University (hereinafter the 'Chancellor').

24. The Dean shall be elected for a period of five years in accordance with the Statute and these Regulations.

25. The competition for the position of the Dean shall be announced by the Council no less than four months before the end of the term of office of the outgoing Dean. The provisions of this Item shall not apply when the mandate of the Dean is terminated before the end of the term on other grounds.

26. The competition for the position of the Dean (including the registration of candidates) shall be organised and its results shall be established by the electoral commission of the Faculty. Members of the electoral commission may not stand as candidates to the position of the Dean.

27. Under the procedure laid down by the Statute and these Regulations, the Dean shall be elected from the candidates to the position by secret ballot by the Council which then shall submit it to the Rector for appointment. The Dean shall be considered elected if the candidate receives more than half of the votes of all members of the Council.

28. If none of the candidates receive more than half of the votes of all members of the Council, repeated secret ballots shall be organised, in which the candidate who received the highest number of votes during the first round and the candidate who received the second highest number of votes (or more than one candidate if they received an equal number of votes), or two or more candidates who received the highest and equal number of votes shall participate. If the Dean is not elected in the repeated voting, the Council shall announce a new competition for the position of the Dean.

29. The results of the election for the position of the Dean shall be published by the electoral commission of the Faculty on the website of the Faculty no later than the next working day after the election. The results of the election for the position of the Dean no later than within two working days after they were made public may be appealed by submitting a complaint to the Central Electoral Commission which, no later than within five working days, shall examine the complaint and leave the results of the election unchanged or declare the election invalid. Having declared the election invalid, a repeated secret ballot shall be organised with the participation of all candidates.

30. The electoral commission of the Faculty shall inform the Rector in writing of the results of the successful election for the position of the Dean no later than on the next working day. If an employment contract is not concluded with the elected Dean under a reasoned decision of the Rector, the Council shall announce a repeated election for the position of the Dean. Until the Dean is elected, the Rector shall appoint one of the outgoing Vice-Deans of the Faculty to act as a temporary Dean.

31. The same person shall not serve as the Dean for longer than two consecutive terms. This provision shall also apply when the person did not hold the position of the Dean for a full term (during either of the terms).

32. The Dean shall have Vice-Deans, at least one of whom shall be responsible for the organisation of studies at the Faculty. Vice-Deans shall be subordinate and accountable to the Dean. The candidatures and functions of the Vice-Deans, upon proposal from the Dean, shall be approved by and the decisions on the dismissal of the Vice-Deans shall be taken by the Council.

33. The term of office of the Vice-Deans shall correspond to that of the Dean: upon the election and appointment of the Dean, the terms of office of the Vice-Deans of the outgoing Dean shall expire. The newly elected and appointed Dean may submit a proposal to the Council to temporarily extend the term of office of the outgoing Vice-Deans until new Vice-Deans are appointed following the procedure established in these Regulations.

34. The Dean shall:

34.1. be responsible for the management of the Faculty and the implementation of the Action Plan of the Faculty in accordance with the Strategic Plan of the University;

34.2. be responsible for the compliance of the activities of the Faculty with the Statute, other laws, their implementing legislation, and the legal acts of the University;

34.3. be responsible for the overall efficiency of study programmes and scientific research as well as the quality of development in the principle area of activity of the Faculty; ensure coherence between study programmes and scientific research, experimental, social, and technological development and innovative activities, and the interdisciplinary links between these programmes;

34.4. draft the Action Plan of the Faculty and its yearly amendments and submit them to the Council for approval; organise measures, accumulate resource, and create incentives necessary for the implementation of the Action Plan of the Faculty; monitor, control, and regulate the implementation progress of the Action Plan as well as take responsibility for the Action Plan's implementation quality;

34.5. submit the annual performance report of the Faculty to the Council for consideration;

34.6. submit the candidatures and functions of the Vice-Deans to the Council for approval;

34.7. submit motivated proposals to the Council on the establishment and liquidation of branch academic units and, upon the approval of the Council, propose the Rector to submit to the Senate the relevant amendments to the Regulations of the Faculty for approval;

34.8. submit proposals to the Council on the amendments to the Regulations of the Faculty;

34.9. submit the regulations of branch academic units to the Council for consideration and approval;

34.10. submit proposals to the Council on the establishment and/or liquidation of branch academic units; upon the approval of the Council, propose the Rector to establish and/or liquidate the aforementioned units;

34.11. submit proposals to the Council on the establishment of *pro-rata* deductions from the funds of branch academic units for general purposes of the Faculty;

34.12. submit annual revenue and expenditure estimates of the Faculty consisting of estimates detailed in Item 21(14) of these Regulations, their implementation reports, and the joint annual revenue and expenditure estimates of the Faculty to the Council for approval;

34.13. upon the approval of the Council, submit proposals to the Rector on the research carried out at the Faculty or its branch academic units as well as their experimental, social and technological development, and programmes of innovative activities;

34.14. upon the approval of the Council, submit proposals to the Rector on the student places and admission requirements at the Faculty;

34.15. submit proposals to the Rector on the amounts of the cost of tuition of studies carried out by the Faculty, fees not directly connected to the implementation of study programmes, and other services provided by the Faculty;

34.16. submit the rules governing studies and research at the Faculty to the Council for approval;

34.17. upon the approval of the Council, submit proposals to the Rector to announce competitions for the position of a professor;

34.18. upon proposal from the head of a branch academic unit, propose the Rector to announce competitions for the position of a research professor, propose the Rector to employ and dismiss employees of the Faculty, award incentives and/or impose disciplinary penalties;

34.19. ensure the professional development of the employees of the Faculty;

34.20. organise and ensure lawful and economical use of the Faculty's funds and assigned assets;

34.21. take responsibility for public procurement at the Faculty;

34.22. take responsibility for the international relations of the Faculty;

34.23. coordinate the conclusion of agreements and contracts necessary for research and studies activities carried out at the Faculty and ensure the execution of agreements and contracts concluded at the initiative of the Faculty;

34.24. perform other functions assigned to the head of a core academic unit following the legal acts of the University and carry out other typical duties of the head of a core academic unit.

35. In implementing the Action Plan of the Faculty as well as the functions and tasks assigned to them, the Dean shall, based on their competency, issue orders, decrees, and give binding instructions to the academic community and other employees of the Faculty.

36. A permanent Dean's Office shall advise the Dean on the issues of the organisation of activities. The Dean's Office must comprise Vice-Deans, heads of branch academic units of the Faculty and the chairperson of the Students' Representation of the University at the Faculty or their authorised representative. The activity of the Dean's Office shall take the form of meetings and be convened upon the decision of the Dean no less than once a month. When discussing matters relating to *sui generis* units, the heads of these units shall be invited to the Dean's Office meetings. The meetings of the Dean's Office shall be headed by the Dean or a chairperson of the meeting appointed by them.

37. The Dean may establish structures such as activity planning, international advisor, trustee, and other bodies to advise them on either a temporary or permanent basis.

38. The mandate of the Dean shall be terminated at the end of their term or upon their resignation. The Dean shall immediately resign in the event that the Council expresses no-confidence in them by a majority of two-thirds of all Council members or that the Council, by a simple majority, approves the no-confidence expressed by the Rector. If the Dean, in whom the Council or the Rector had expressed no-confidence, does not resign immediately following the adoption of the relevant decision by the Council, their employment contract shall be terminated on the grounds of infringement of this Item and Article 28(4) of the Statute, which constitutes gross violation of professional duties.

CHAPTER V STRUCTURAL UNITS

39. The structural units of the Faculty shall be branch academic units with the rights of an administrative unit (*institutes, centres*) and branch non-academic units with the rights of an administrative unit (*divisions, services, etc.*), the number and purpose of which shall be determined following the efficient management priorities of the Faculty. Organisational units without the rights of an administrative unit (hereinafter the 'Structures') may also be established within the Faculty. When required by national legal acts and/or contracts and when targeted funding is available, units having the rights of an administrative unit may be established at branch academic units subject to the Council's approval upon proposal from the Dean and the Rector's decision, *mutatis mutandis* applying the provisions of Items 21(12) and 34(10) of these Regulations.

40. A branch academic unit shall be a structural unit of the Faculty, the principal activities of which shall be scientific research and studies. The name of the branch academic unit, alongside the name of the University, shall be used in the affiliations of scientific publications and other documents related to scientific activity. For sustainability of branch academic units, no less than ten per cent of the electors of the Faculty shall work at the branch academic unit and the funds managed and used independently by the branch academic unit shall comprise no less than ten per cent of all budget funds managed and used by the Faculty.

41. A branch academic unit shall have its own regulations, prepared following the Regulations of the Faculty. The regulations of a branch academic unit shall be approved by the Council upon proposal from the Dean. The regulations of the branch academic unit shall establish the procedure for electing or appointing the head of the branch academic unit, their term of office, their accountability, their obligation to organising and ensuring lawful and economical use of the branch academic unit's funds and assigned assets, the grounds for termination of powers, the procedure for expressing no-confidence in the head of the branch academic unit, the procedure for the establishment or formation and liquidation of organisational structures without the rights of an administrative unit and other units indicated in Item 39 of these Regulations.

42. A branch academic unit shall have its own budget which shall form a part of the Faculty's budget and its formation principles shall be detailed in Chapter VII of these Regulations.

43. In accordance with the procedure laid down by the law and the legal acts of the University, a branch academic unit may have a right to independently take decisions on procurement and independently carry out procurement, have a separate budget line for procurement, conclude procurement contracts, and use its budget for making payments pursuant to those contracts.

44. The branch academic units of the Faculty shall be the Institute of Chemical Physics (*Cheminės fizikos institutas* in Lithuanian), the Institute of Photonics and Nanotechnology (*Fotonikos ir nanotechnologijų institutas* in Lithuanian), the Laser Research Center (*Lazerinių tyrimų centras* in Lithuanian), the Institute of Applied Electrodynamics and Telecommunications (*Taikomosios elektrodinamikos ir telekomunikacijų institutas* in Lithuanian), the Institute of Theoretical Physics and Astronomy (*Teorinės fizikos ir astronomijos institutas* in Lithuanian).

45. An academic structure without the rights of an administrative unit, the Astronomical Observatory of Vilnius University (*Vilniaus universiteto astronomijos observatorija* in Lithuanian) shall operate within the Institute of Theoretical Physics and Astronomy, which shall have the right to their name alongside the name of the University in the affiliations of scientific publications and other documents related to scientific activity.

46. When needed and when sources of targeted funding are available, internal organisational *sui generis* units with the rights of an administrative unit may be established within the Faculty. The period of existence of a *sui generis* unit shall be directly dependent on the period of its targeted funding. The regulations of a *sui generis* unit (which shall, *inter alia*, detail the procedure for the representation of this unit at the Council with branch academic units) shall be approved by the Council upon proposal from the Dean. The head of a *sui generis* unit shall be appointed by the Rector upon proposal from the Dean.

47. A branch academic unit shall have its head elected at the meeting of the teaching and research staff of the branch academic unit. The head of a branch academic unit shall be elected by the teaching and research staff of the branch academic unit meeting the requirements set out in Item 12(4) of the Statute. The head of a branch academic unit shall be a person with a scientific degree and management experience.

48. Only organisational structures without the rights of an administrative unit may operate within a branch academic unit; however, under the conditions detailed in Item 39 of these Regulations, internal units having the rights of an administrative unit may also operate. The procedure for their establishment and liquidation shall be laid down in the regulations of the branch academic unit. The posts of the heads of structures without the rights of an administrative unit shall not be considered positions.

49. A branch non-academic unit shall be a structural unit of the Faculty, which shall provide services ensuring the academic activities of the Faculty and/or performing other non-academic functions of the Faculty. Branch non-academic units shall be established and liquidated by the Rector upon proposal from the Dean.

50. The heads of branch non-academic units shall be appointed by the Rector upon proposal from the Dean.

CHAPTER VI RESEARCH AND STUDIES

51. The Faculty shall carry out high international-level scientific research in the areas of physics, biomedicine and technologies as well as interdisciplinary one.

52. Structures (scientific thematic groups, departments, etc.) or other units detailed in Item 39 of these Regulations shall be established within a branch academic unit to organise and carry out scientific research.

53. The Faculty shall organise full-time, part-time, and non-formal studies. In accordance with the procedure laid down by the law and the legal acts of the University, studies of three cycles – first (bachelor), second (master and professional (special)), and third (doctoral studies) – shall be carried out.

54. The studies of the first and second cycle shall be coordinated and administered by the Vice-Dean for Academic Affairs responsible for the organisation of studies and the Studies Office that is subordinate to the Dean. The regulations of the Studies Office shall be approved by the Council upon proposal from the Dean. The third cycle studies shall be coordinated by the relevant doctoral studies committee and administrated by (an) administrator(s) of doctoral studies affairs appointed by the Dean.

55. The study programmes of the first and second cycle shall be coordinated, their implementation supervised, and reported to the Council by study programme committees. Study programme committees shall be formed and act following the procedure set out in the legal acts of the University.

56. The chairpersons of the study programme committees and a delegated person of the Students' Representation of the University shall form a Study Board which shall advise the Vice-Dean responsible for the organisation of studies. In the event that a branch academic unit has no representatives among the chairpersons of the study programme committees, the branch academic unit shall delegate their representative to the Study Board.

57. Following the procedure set out in the legal acts, for the purpose of organising and implementing doctoral studies, Rector-approved doctoral studies committee(s) for the relevant field(s) of science shall be formed. A doctoral school(s) may also be established.

CHAPTER VII

FUNDS AND OTHER ASSETS OF THE FACULTY

58. The funds of the Faculty shall consist of funds managed and used independently by branch academic units and funds for general purposes managed and used by the Faculty, as well as funds for studies.

59. A branch academic unit, following the procedure laid down in the legal acts of the University, shall use the funds detailed in Item 60 of these Regulations after deductions for general University purposes established at the University and *pro-rata* deductions for general purposes of the Faculty established by the Council.

60. The funds independently managed and used by the branch academic unit shall consist of:

60.1. appropriations from the State budget for science allocated for the branch academic unit following the procedure established at the University;

60.2. funds for doctoral studies (minus centralised funds for doctoral studies of the University) proportional to the number of doctoral students at the branch unit, minus part of funds approved by the doctoral committee for the administration of doctoral studies, the administration of doctoral lectures and the implementation of the strategic objectives of doctoral studies;

60.3. project funds administered by the unit, allocated for the implementation scientific projects and outsourced works;

60.4. own and endowment funds of the branch academic unit, received for research, scientific dissemination and innovative activities, and technological development;

60.5. funds allocated for the administration and infrastructure of the branch academic unit (if any);

60.6. funds received as support to the branch academic unit and other funds lawfully obtained by them;

60.7. funds for studies allocated for the branch academic unit by the Council.

61. Branch academic units' settlement for the science infrastructure they use shall be proportionate to the usable floor space they occupy according to the fees established by the Central

Administration of the University if not provided for otherwise), as well as for electricity and water used proportionally to their floor space (if not provided for otherwise).

62. The funds managed and used by the Faculty shall comprise:

62.1. deductions for the administration of the Faculty and the implementation of the Strategy from the funds used independently by branch academic units that are detailed in Items 60(1), 60(2), and 60(7);

62.2. the Faculty's centrally managed funds allocated for funding the first and second cycle studies implemented at the Faculty (minus the funds for studies allocated for the branch academic units); own and endowment funds received for the implemented studies and training services. These funds shall also be used for settling the costs of infrastructure, electricity and water used for studies.

62.3. administration and economy funds allocated for the Faculty following the procedure established at the University.

63. The assets of the Faculty shall comprise the share of the University's assets assigned to it for the purpose of implementing the activities established in these Regulations following the procedure set out in the legal acts of the University. The assets of the Faculty shall be registered and its funds accounted for following the procedure established at the University.

CHAPTER VIII

CONTROL OF THE INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE FACULTY

64. The control of the financial and economic activities of the Faculty shall be exercised by the Chancellor or their authorised employees following the procedure established at the University.

65. The control of the implementation of the Action Plan of the Faculty shall be exercised by the Rector based on the conclusions submitted to the Rector by the Council.
