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REGULATIONS OF THE FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION OF VILNIUS UNIVERSITY

CHAPTER I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The Faculty of Economics and Business Administration (hereinafter the 'EVAF') 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 EVAF shall exercise internal autonomy, the limits of which shall be determined by these Regulations.

2. The EVAF 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').

3. The EVAF 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, these Regulations, other legal acts passed by the Senate, the Council of the University, the Rector, and the governing bodies of the EVAF within their competency, and the laws and by-laws of the Republic of Lithuania.

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

5. The EVAF shall possess a Senate-approved flag, template, logo, and seal that correspond to the traditions of the University and comply with the requirements set out in the Visual Identity Guide of Vilnius University. The EVAF website shall comply with the requirements set out in the Visual Identity Guide of the University. The template and seal of the EVAF shall be used in the EVAF operational documents attributed to the EVAF competency.

6. The self-governance of the EVAF shall be implemented by the Council of the EVAF (hereinafter the 'Council'), established under the procedure laid down by the Statute, the Description of the Procedure for the Election of Members of the Councils of Core Academic Units approved by the Senate, and these Regulations.

7. The EVAF shall be headed by, and the responsibility for its activity shall be undertaken by the Dean of the EVAF, who shall be elected and appointed under the procedure laid down by the Statute, the legal acts approved by the Senate, and these Regulations.

8. The structure of the EVAF shall comprise the governing bodies of the EVAF (the Council and the Dean of the EVAF) and the internal organisational structures.

9. In accordance with the procedure laid down by the law and the legal acts of the University, the EVAF 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 OF THE EVAF

10. The activities of the EVAF 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 EVAF. The purpose of the EVAF's activities shall be the following: training highly qualified

specialists and researchers; developing research of a high international level; ensuring the unity of science and studies; ensuring the quality of research and studies; participating in innovative activities and high-tech business development; educating active and responsible citizens and leaders of society.

11. The main objectives of the EVAF shall be the following:

11.1. to initiate, organise, and conduct research in the fields of management and economics of the area of social sciences, as well as interdisciplinary research of international level, to pursue the dissemination of scientific achievements locally and internationally;

11.2. to initiate, organise, and conduct studies of all cycles and non-formal studies, train researchers, and carry out other educational or teaching (lecturing) activities;

11.3. to join international research networks and institutions, implement advanced best practices in the area of research and studies organisation;

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

11.5. to build state-of-the-art infrastructure for research, experimental, social, cultural, and technological development, and innovation activities, based on the principles of open access;

11.6. to promote and develop cooperation among science, business, and public sectors in implementing innovations, cooperate with Lithuanian and foreign study, science, and business institutions, as well as social partners, and represent the University locally and worldwide;

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

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

11.9. to nurture and develop relations with the EVAF alumni;

11.10. to carry out other activities necessary for the implementation of the University Strategic Plan.

12. The purpose and objectives of the EVAF shall be implemented by the EVAF community.

13. In accordance with the University Strategic Plan, the EVAF 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 EVAF shall be drawn up for a period of five years in accordance with the University Strategic Plan and the objectives and tasks of the EVAF.

CHAPTER III
THE COUNCIL

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

15. Members of the Council, with the exception of the *ex officio* member of the Council and student representatives of all study cycles of the EVAF, 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 (hereinafter the 'electors') of the EVAF meeting the requirements specified in Article 12(4) of the Statute.

16. The Council shall comprise 23 members:

16.1. eight professors and/or research professors working at the EVAF and conforming to the requirements set out in Article 12(4) of the Statute;

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

16.3. two other members of the academic or non-academic community working at the EVAF and conforming to the requirements set out in Article 12(4) of the Statute:

16.3.1. one member of the non-academic community working at the EVAF for an uninterrupted period of at least two years;

16.3.2. one member of the academic community of the EVAF and conforming to the requirements set out in Article 12(4) of the Statute;

16.4. one representative of the social partners of the EVAF;

16.5. five student representatives of the EVAF in accordance with the requirements of Article 21(11) of the Statute;

16.6. the Dean of the EVAF (*ex officio* member).

17. No later than three months until the date of the next election of the Council, the Council shall allocate quotas of elected Council members provided for in Items 16.1–16.3 of these Regulations for internal structures of the Faculty.

18. The general requirements for the procedure for electing and recalling the members of the Council are 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, administrative offence, disciplinary or official misconduct, gross violation of the Statute, the Code of Academic Ethics, or any other breach of legal or moral norms committed by them that is inconsistent with the duties of a Council member. Additional grounds and procedures for recalling student representatives from the Council may be set out by the Students' Representation of the University.

19. The Council election (including the registration of candidates) shall be organised and its results established by the electoral commission of the EVAF. The composition of the electoral commission of the EVAF, upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, 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 – student 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.

20. The Council shall elect its chairperson from among its members during the first meeting. Upon proposal from its chairperson, the Council shall approve the deputy chairperson of the Council. The Dean of the EVAF, the Vice-Dean, and the student representative shall not be eligible for election as chairperson or deputy chair of the Council. In the event that the chairperson of the Council is unable to perform their duties due to illness or other important reasons, the functions of the chairperson of the Council shall be performed by the deputy chairperson of the Council.

21. 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. Minutes of the Council meetings, resolutions, and legal acts approved thereby shall be registered in the University document management system and made public following the procedure established by the EVAF.

22. Members of the Council must notify the Council of any potential conflict of interest that may arise from addressing an item on the agenda for a meeting and withdraw from the consideration and resolution of that item. A member of the Council shall have a duty to withdraw in any of the following circumstances, when:

22.1. the matter directly relates to the member of the Council themselves;

22.2. the matter relates to persons with whom the member of the Council is related by a close relationship of consanguinity, affinity, marriage, partnership, or guardianship;

22.3. the member of the Council, their spouse (cohabitant), or their close relatives have a direct or indirect interest in the outcome of the item under consideration;

22.4. there are other circumstances that may call into question the impartiality of the member of the Council.

23. The Council shall:

23.1. approve its Rules of Procedure;

23.2. elect the Dean of the EVAF and submit the candidature to the Rector for appointment;

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

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

23.5. upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, approve the Action Plan of the EVAF;

23.6. consider and approve the annual performance report of the EVAF submitted by the Dean of the EVAF and submit the Council's decision and the performance report of the EVAF on the implementation of the Action Plan of the EVAF to the Rector for familiarisation no later than 1 March;

23.7. in the event that the Council does not approve the annual performance report of the EVAF, the Rector is informed thereof and the period of one month is provided within which the Dean of the EVAF is 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 EVAF, the Council then issues a vote of expressing no-confidence in the Dean of the EVAF and immediately informs the Rector thereof; in this case, the Rector may also express no-confidence in the Dean of the EVAF;

23.8. upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, establish the number of the Vice-Deans, approve the Vice-Deans and their areas of activity;

23.9. upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, establish or liquidate academic structures (departments and centres) and non-academic structures (divisions);

23.10. upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, approve and recall heads of the academic structures;

23.11. upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, consider and propose to the Rector that amendments to the Regulations of the EVAF be submitted to the Senate for approval;

23.12. upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, approve the implementation reports on the annual revenue and expenditure estimates of the EVAF;

23.13. upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, approve the fields of research and the topics (programmes) of research of the EVAF;

23.14. select and submit to the Rector for approval the composition(s) of the Doctoral Studies Committee(s) for the relevant field(s) of science;

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

23.16. approve the committees for study programmes implemented at the EVAF and approve their chairpersons;

23.17. consider proposals from the head of the EVAF regarding the number of student places at the EVAF and the requirements for admission;

23.18. upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, approve the legal acts regulating research and studies at the EVAF that do not fall within the competency of the Senate and the Rector, or their authorised person;

23.19. get familiarised with the outcomes of the institutional evaluation, comparative expert assessment, and formal assessment of research activities and study fields, the implementation plans of submitted self-analyses and feedback reports or recommendations, and monitor the implementation plans;

23.20. consider proposals from the Dean of the EVAF to the Rector to announce competitions for the positions of professor and research professor;

23.21. 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;

23.22. upon proposal from the chairperson of the Council, establish the Academic Ethics Commission of the EVAF and appoint its chairperson;

23.23. upon proposal from the chairperson of the Council, establish the Dispute Resolutions Commission of the EVAF and appoint its chairperson;

23.24. 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
DEAN OF THE FACULTY

24. A person who conforms to the requirements for the Dean specified in the Statute shall be eligible to be appointed the Dean of the EVAF.

25. The Dean of the EVAF shall be responsible and accountable to the Council and the Rector. The Dean of the EVAF shall be an *ex officio* member of the Rectorate and participate in the strategic governance of the University. On the issues of the economy and asset management, as well as other issues of the organisation of non-academic activities of the EVAF, the Dean of the EVAF shall also be accountable to the Chancellor of the University (hereinafter the 'Chancellor').

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

27. The competition for the position of Dean of the EVAF shall be announced by the Council at least four months before the end of the term of office of the outgoing Dean of the EVAF. The time limit set out in this Item shall not apply when the mandate of the Dean of the EVAF is terminated before the end of the term of office on other grounds.

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

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

30. If none of the candidates receive more than half of the votes of all members of the Council, a repeated secret ballot 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 of the EVAF is not elected in the repeated voting, the Council shall announce a new competition for the position of Dean of the EVAF.

31. The results of the election for the position of Dean of the EVAF shall be published by the electoral commission of the EVAF on the website of the EVAF no later than the next working day after the election. The results of the election for the position of Dean of the EVAF, 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.

32. The Council shall inform the Rector in writing of the results of the successful election for the position of Dean of the EVAF no later than the next working day, proposing to appoint the elected candidate as the Dean of the EVAF. If the elected Dean of the EVAF is not appointed to the position under a reasoned decision of the Rector, the Council shall announce a repeated election for the position of Dean of the EVAF. Until the Dean of the EVAF is elected, the Rector shall appoint one of the Vice-Deans to the outgoing Dean of the EVAF to act as a temporary head of the EVAF, or, in the event that there are none – another employee of the EVAF.

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

34. The Dean of the EVAF shall have deputies – Vice-Deans, one of whom shall be responsible for the organisation of studies at the EVAF. All Vice-Deans shall be subordinate and accountable to the Dean of the EVAF. Upon proposal from the Dean of the EVAF, the Vice-Deans and their areas of activity shall be approved, and decisions on the dismissal of Vice-Deans shall be taken by the Council.

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

36. The Dean of the EVAF shall:

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

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

36.3. be responsible for the overall efficiency of study programmes and research as well as the quality; ensure coherence between study programmes and research, experimental, social, and cultural development, and topics (programmes) of innovative activities;

36.4. draft the Action Plan of the EVAF and its amendments and submit them to the Council for approval; organise measures, accumulate resources, and create incentives necessary for the implementation of the Action Plan of the EVAF; monitor, control, and regulate the implementation progress of the Action Plan of the EVAF, as well as take responsibility for the quality of implementation of the Action Plan of the EVAF;

36.5. submit the annual performance report of the EVAF to the Council for consideration;

36.6. submit the Vice-Deans and their areas of activity to the Council for approval; the elected and appointed Dean of the EVAF may submit the candidatures of Vice-Deans to the Council for approval before the start of the Dean's term of office;

36.7. submit proposals to the Council on the amendments to the Regulations of the EVAF;

36.8. submit proposals to the Council on the establishment and/or liquidation of academic structures (departments and centres) and non-academic structures (divisions);

36.9. submit to the Council for approval or recall the heads of the academic structures;

36.10. submit the implementation reports on the annual revenue and expenditure estimates of the EVAF to the Council for approval;

36.11. submit proposals to the Council on the fields of research and/or the topics (programmes) of research, experimental, social, development, and innovative activities of the EVAF;

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

36.13. submit proposals to the Rector or their authorised persons on the sizes of the cost of tuition of studies carried out by the EVAF, fees not directly related to the implementation of study programmes, and other services provided by the EVAF;

36.14. submit the rules governing studies and research at the EVAF to the Council for approval;

36.15. upon the approval of the Council, propose to the Rector that competitions for the positions of professor and research professor be announced;

36.16. propose to the Rector that employees of the EVAF be employed, dismissed, or awarded incentives;

36.17. ensure the professional development of the employees of the EVAF;

36.18. organise and ensure lawful and efficient use of the EVAF's funds and assigned assets;

36.19. take responsibility for public procurement at the EVAF;

36.20. take responsibility for the international relations of the EVAF;

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

36.22. implement the quality policy of the University at the EVAF, monitor its execution, and take responsibility for the EVAF reaching the quality indicators;

36.23. perform other functions and characteristic duties conferred on the head of the EVAF by the legal acts of the University.

37. In implementing the Action Plan of the EVAF, and the functions and tasks assigned to them, the Dean of the EVAF shall, within their competency, issue orders, decrees, and give binding instructions to the academic community and other employees of the EVAF. Decisions taken by the Dean of the EVAF shall be registered in the University document management system.

38. A permanent board may be established at the EVAF following the procedure set out in these Regulations to advise the Dean of the EVAF on the issues of the organisation of activities. The composition of the board must include the Vice-Deans and the chairperson of the Students' Representation of the University at the EVAF. The activity of the board shall take the form of meetings. The meetings of the board shall be headed by the Dean of the EVAF or a chairperson of the meeting appointed by the Dean of the EVAF.

39. The Dean of the EVAF may establish activity planning and organisation, an international advisor, a trustee, and other structures to advise them on a temporary or permanent basis.

40. The mandate of the Dean of the EVAF shall be terminated at the end of their term of office, upon their resignation, or their death. The Dean of the EVAF 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 of the EVAF, 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. Until a new Dean of the EVAF is elected, the Rector shall appoint one of the Vice-Deans to the former Dean of the EVAF to act as a temporary head of the unit, or, in the event that there are none – another employee of the EVAF.

CHAPTER V
STRUCTURAL UNITS

41. Academic units without the rights of an administrative unit (departments and/or centres) and non-academic structures (division), shall be be established within the EVAF, the number and purpose of which shall be determined following the efficient management priorities of the EVAF.

42. Academic and non-academic structures at the EVAF shall be established following the procedure established in these Regulations. The posts of the heads of academic and non-academic structures shall not be considered positions. For the performance in this post, an allowance may be paid in accordance with the procedure established by the legal acts of the University.

43. Department and/or centre – an academic structure which unites academic staff who perform functions in the area of studies and research and participate in other activities of the EVAF.

44. Departments and centres are managed by the head of the department and/or centre, who is selected from the staff of the department of the EVAF and approved by the Council, upon proposal of the Dean of the EVAF. Material and organisational conditions necessary for the activity of the department and/or centre shall be ensured by the Dean of the EVAF.

45. The head of the academic structure shall:

45.1. coordinate the research activities of the staff of the academic structure;

45.2. suggest fields for research papers;

45.3. convene meetings of the academic structure, organise deliberations and chair them;

45.4. organise the implementation of the legal acts adopted by the University and the EVAF at the academic structure;

45.5. submit proposals to the Dean of the EVAF regarding the adoption and improvement of the rules governing research and studies at the Faculty to be approved by the Council;

45.6. perform other functions conferred on the head of the academic structure by the legal acts of the University.

46. Division – a non-academic structure providing services ensuring academic activity of the EVAF and/or performing other non-academic functions of the EVAF. Division regulations shall be approved by the Dean of the EVAF.

47. The head of the non-academic structure shall:

47.1. coordinate activities of the non-academic structure and its staff;

47.2. convene meetings of the non-academic structure, organise deliberations and chair them;

47.3. organise the implementation of the legal acts adopted by the University and the EVAF at the non-academic structure;

47.4. perform other functions conferred on the head of the non-academic structure by the legal acts of the University.

CHAPTER VI
RESEARCH AND STUDIES

48. The EVAF shall carry out research in the fields of economics and management in the area of social sciences, as well as interdisciplinary research, of a high international level.

49. Organisational structures without the rights of an administrative unit may be established for organising and carrying out research.

50. The EVAF shall organise full-time and part-time 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, as well as professional, minor field, and bridging, pedagogical specialisation, module studies of teaching a school discipline, and non-formal studies.

51. The studies of the first and second cycle shall be coordinated and administered by the Vice-Dean, who is responsible for the organisation of studies, and the non-academic structure responsible for the coordination and administration of studies at the EVAF , which is subordinate to the head of the EVAF.

52. The study programmes of the first and second cycle shall be 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.

53. The chairpersons of the study programme committees of the EVAF and a person delegated by the Students' Representation of the University shall form a board of studies, which shall advise the Vice-Dean responsible for the organisation of studies.

54. 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 school of Doctoral studies may also be established following the Regulations of the Schools of Doctoral Studies approved by the Senate.

CHAPTER VII
ASSETS OF THE FACULTY

55. The funds of the EVAF shall comprise:

55.1. the share of appropriations from the State budget received by the University, which, following the procedure established in the legal acts, is intended to finance first- and second-cycle

studies, Doctoral studies, and research at the EVAF, after the allocation of part of the funds established at the University to cover general expenditures of the University;

55.2. own funds and endowment funds received by the EVAF for studies and educational services as well as for implementing scientific, innovative activities and technological development, after the allocation of part of the funds established at the University to cover general expenditures of the University;

55.3. funds received as support to the EVAF, and other lawfully obtained funds, after the allocation of part of the funds established at the University to cover general expenditures of the University.

56. The assets managed and used by the EVAF shall be part of the University 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 EVAF shall be accounted for following the procedure established at the University.

CHAPTER VIII
INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION CONTROL OF THE FACULTY

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

58. The monitoring and control of the implementation of the Action Plan of the EVAF shall be exercised by the Rector or their authorised person based on the conclusion submitted to the Rector by the Council.

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