

### THE CAMCA ACADEMY

### ORGANIZATIONAL CHARTER

# **ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of the organization shall be CAMCA Academy ("the Academy"). The permanent web address of the Academy is https://camca.academy/.

## **ARTICLE II: PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Academy shall be to promote regional cooperation and development in education, science, and technology in the CAMCA region, through the following goals:

- o To develop and offer innovative academic programs and training that address the needs and challenges of the CAMCA region.
- o To provide opportunities for students, faculty, and researchers from the CAMCA region to study, teach, and conduct research in partner institutions.
- o To promote research, innovation, and entrepreneurship in the CAMCA region, with a focus on solving local and regional challenges.
- o To facilitate the exchange of knowledge, ideas, and best practices among academic and non-academic stakeholders in the CAMCA region.
- o To foster partnerships and collaboration among academic institutions, government, industry, and civil society in the CAMCA region.
- o To establish a network of country liaisons who will represent the Academy in individual countries, promote its goals, and engage with local stakeholders.

o To coordinate the activities of the CAMCA Academic Consortium and encourage joint projects among its members.

## **ARTICLE III: EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

The CAMCA Academy conducts informal educational activities and training programs for all interested parties, including the members of the Academic Consortium. The Academy's educational activities are designed to promote knowledge sharing, skills development, and professional growth among participants.

It is important to note that the CAMCA Academy does not provide formal education nor awards diplomas in any form. The Academy's programs do not confer any academic degrees or credits, and they are not accredited by any educational institution. The Academy is not authorized to issue diplomas, degrees, or other formal academic credentials.

However, the CAMCA Academy reserves the right to provide participants with non-academic course certificates testifying their completion of certain programs. These certificates are not equivalent to academic degrees or diplomas and do not represent any form of accreditation or certification. They are intended to recognize participants' efforts and achievements in completing the Academy's educational programs.

The CAMCA Academy is committed to providing high-quality educational activities and training programs that meet the needs and interests of its participants. By participating in the Academy's programs, participants can gain valuable knowledge, skills, and experiences that can contribute to their personal and professional development.

### ARTICLE IV: ORGANIZATION

The Academy shall be run by the President and an Executive Committee (referred to as 'Team'), composed of representatives of the CAMCA Network. The president

is elected once in three years from a list of self-nominated candidates by the Board of the CAMCA Network. The President supported by the Team shall be responsible for the strategic direction, planning, and management of the Academy's activities.

The Executive Committee may establish working groups, task forces, or committees to address specific issues or projects.

The Academy shall have an Advisory Board, composed of experts and leaders in the fields of education, science, and technology, who will provide guidance and support to the Executive Committee.

## **ARTICLE V: COUNTRY LIAISONS**

The Academy shall establish a network of senior regional advisors ("Country Liaisons") comprised of the members of the CAMCA Network who will represent the Academy in individual countries, promote its goals, and engage with local stakeholders.

Country liaisons shall be appointed by the Executive Committee, in consultation with the CAMCA Board and CAMCA Country Coordinators.

Country liaisons shall be responsible for:

- o Promoting the Academy's goals and activities in the country.
- Facilitating partnerships and collaborations between the Academy,
  Academic Consortium, and local stakeholders.
- o Identifying local needs and challenges that the Academy can address.
- o Providing feedback and recommendations to the Executive Committee on the Academy's activities and performance.

# **ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS**

The Academy shall hold an annual meeting, where its members can review progress, exchange information, and plan future activities.

The Executive Committee shall convene regular meetings to discuss and review the Academy's activities and performance.

The Advisory Board may hold meetings as needed to provide guidance and support to the Executive Committee.

### **ARTICLE VII: FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

The Academy's financial resources shall be raised through voluntary donations and sponsorships from academic institutions, government, industry, and civil society organizations.

The Executive Committee shall be responsible for fundraising, financial management, and reporting.

## **ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS**

This Organizational Charter may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee, with the approval of the Advisory Board.

Amendments shall be proposed in writing to the Executive Committee and distributed to all members at least thirty (30) days prior to the vote.

# **ARTICLE IX: DISSOLUTION**

The Academy may be dissolved by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee, with the approval of the Advisory Board.

This Organizational Charter is effective as of the date of its signature and shall remain in effect until amended or dissolved in accordance with its provisions.