Cybercrime Investigation Knowledge Forum

Bylaws concerning membership

Article 1 (Purposes)

Based on Article ** of the Articles of Incorporation of the Cybercrime Investigation Knowledge Forum (hereinafter, referred to as the Forum), these Bylaws aim to determine the memberships as stipulated in Article ** of the Articles of Incorporation, entry and withdrawal procedures, membership fees and other such details, as well as benefits offered to Members.

Article 2 (Entry procedures)

- 1. The Forum will have Regular, Supporting and Special Members.
- 2. Individuals or organizations who wish to be members must submit the application form for admission (Form 1) to the Secretariat Office of the Forum, stating the membership, name, contact information and other necessary information.
- 3. After the application form being submitted to the Forum as stipulated in the preceding clause, a Board of Directors meeting will be held, where the Board of Directors decide whether the admission should be granted or rejected. The applicant will be notified of the result.

Article 3 (Entry and annual membership fees)

- 1. When an individual or organization applies for membership and it is granted, the individual/organization must pay the entry fee and annual membership fees below, depending on the membership.
- 2. The entry and membership fees are as follows:

Membership	Entry fee	Annual membership fee
Regular	500,000 yen	1,500,000 yen
Supporting	None	150,000 yen
Special	None	None

3. No reductions will be made for the fees stated in the preceding clause, even if the Member is admitted in the middle of a fiscal year (December 1 to November 30 of the following year).

Article 4 (Payment of the entry and membership fees)

- 1. Members must pay the fees stipulated in the preceding clause within 30 days of the issuance of the bill by the Forum's Secretariat Office. The payment must be paid to a bank account designated by the Forum and stated on the bill.
- 2. Members are responsible for bank charges required for payment.

Article 6 (Nominating Director candidates)

Each Regular Member may nominate a candidate to be a Director of the Forum.

Article 7 (Benefits offered to Members)

Members, depending on the membership, receive benefits as follows:

- 1. Regular Members (Individuals or organizations)
 - (1) Nominating candidates to be Directors of the Forum
 - (2) Secondary use of the Cybercrime Investigation Body of Knowledge (CIBOK) owned by the Forum
 - (3) Training programs that utilize the CIBOK
 - (4) Participating in expert committees and working groups
 - (5) Participating in seminars, symposiums and other such events hosted or co-hosted by the Forum, being given preference in lecture time allocation, and also participating in planning meetings

- (6) Displaying company and organization logos, free-of-charge, at event venues and website
- 2. Supporting Members (Individuals or organizations)
 - (1) Observing in expert committees established in the Forum
 - (2) Participating in seminars, symposiums and other such events hosted or co-hosted by the Forum, being given preference in lecture time allocation, and also participating in planning meetings
- 3. Special Members (Government agencies, local governments, educational and research institutions)
 - (1) Participating in working groups established in the Forum
 - (2) Participating in seminars, symposiums and other such events hosted or co-hosted by the Forum, being given preference in lecture time allocation, and also participating in planning meetings
 - (3) Displaying company and organization logos, free-of-charge, at event venues and website

Article 8 (Changes in the registered information)

When any changes occur in the information written on the application form, the relevant Member must immediately notify the Forum in writing of the changes.

Article 9 (Suspension of rights and benefits)

If a Member fails to pay the membership fees by the due date stipulated in Article 4, the Member cannot receive the benefits stated in these bylaws until the unpaid membership fees are paid in full.

Article 10 (Changing membership types)

- 1. If a Regular Member wishes to become an Associate Member, or vice versa, the Member must submit the application form for changing the membership (Form 2) to the Forum, stating the new membership, name, contact information and other necessary information.
- 2. When the application form stipulated in the preceding clause is submitted, the relevant Member's membership will change to the new membership at the beginning of the following fiscal year.

Article 11 (Withdrawal)

- 1. Members may withdraw from the Forum at any time by submitting the application form for withdrawal (Form 3) to the Forum.
- 2. Even after the Member has withdrawn from the Forum as stipulated in the preceding clause, the Member is still obliged to pay the unpaid membership fees, if any, for the current fiscal year. No membership fees for the current fiscal year already paid will be refunded.

Supplementary provisions

These bylaws will become effective on April 1, 2018, and become applicable on *** **, 2018.

Established at the first Board of Directors meeting held on *** **, 2018.

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