

Bylaws of the Russia Chapter of the Society for Information Display

1. The Chapter shall operate according to the bylaws of SID, particularly as set out under Article 12. In the event that these bylaws fail to comply with SID Bylaws or with SID Policies and Procedures, then said SID Bylaws and SID Policies and Procedures shall prevail.

2. Membership of the Chapter shall be open to all SID members normally resident in the Russian Federation, including those acquiring membership privileges in accordance with SID Bylaws, Article 3, consequent upon their designation by a sustaining member. Members that are citizens of the Russian Federation but not residents of the Russian Federation may assign themselves to the Russia Chapter by request in writing to the SID Russia Chapter.

3. Subscriptions (membership fees) shall be determined each year in consultation with the SID Board. The Russian Chapter may adjust its local subscription rates by not more than +20% of the amount normally charged by SID for individual membership unless approved by majority of members present at a general meeting of the Chapter.

4. The Officers shall be Chairperson, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Organizer of Information & Exhibition Activities. Officers shall be elected at the annual general meeting for a term of two years. In general, nobody shall be elected to the office of Chairperson for more than two consecutive years, but if this proves impossible to implement for the lack of a new candidate, the term of the Chairperson may be extended. The outgoing Chairperson shall hold *ex officio* membership of the Committee for a period of two years.

5. The Chapter Committee (Committee) shall consist of the Officers and up to eight ordinary members including representatives from main Russian regional display centers who shall be elected at the annual general meeting for a term of two years. The representatives from main Russian regional display centers shall be proposed at meetings of regional display centers before the general meeting. In addition, there may be *ex-officio* members. The quorum for the Committee shall be four, and shall include at least two officers. All Officers and Committee members must be members of SID.

6. The Committee may co-opt members to fill vacancies until such vacancies are filled during the next Chapter annual election. The Committee may also co-opt suitable persons to be responsible for specific tasks for the duration of those tasks.

7. The Chapter Treasurer shall provide the Treasurer of SID with an annual accounting of chapter funds and shall otherwise comply with all fiscal practices specified in SID Bylaws.

8. When required, the Committee shall nominate a candidate or candidates from its membership for election as Chapter Director on the SID Board of Directors. Any Member, Senior Member, Fellow, Life Member or Life Fellow in good standing is eligible for the office of Director. Said nominee or nominees shall agree to represent the Chapter according to SID Policies and Procedures and their names shall be submitted to the SID Nominating Committee for its approval by a date set by the Nominating Committee. If approval is not given, the Nominating Committee shall communicate directly with the Chapter to identify a suitable alternative nominee and, as a last resort, the Nominating Committee may itself nominate a candidate. Approved nominee(s) shall be placed on the ballot of the SID annual election and said Director shall be elected by the chapter membership. The Director shall serve for a term of three years

and shall hold ex officio membership of the Committee. A vacancy occurring for any reason during the year in the office of Director shall be filled by the Board of Directors from the membership of the Chapter by an interim appointment until such vacancy is filled during the next annual election.

9. Nominations for Officers and Committee must be received by the Secretary at least seven days before the annual general meeting, except that if no nominations for one or more of the Officers or insufficient nominations to fill ordinary member vacancies have been received in advance, then nominations for such positions may be accepted at the meeting. Nominations for Officers and Committee shall not be valid unless supported by the nominee's approval.

10. There shall be at least one general meeting per year which shall be the annual general meeting. A minimum of 28 days' notice of general meetings shall be given to members. The quorum for general meetings shall be twenty and shall include at least two Officers currently serving at the start of the meeting. A financial statement and audited accounts for the year shall be presented.

11. There shall be at least four technical meetings per year; technical meetings may be held jointly with other organizations if appropriate.

12. Resolutions for proposed changes in Chapter Bylaws shall first be submitted to the SID Bylaws Committee to ensure compliance with SID Bylaws and must then be approved by the SID Executive Committee. They shall then be offered for approval by a plurality vote of Chapter members present at a general meeting. Details of such resolutions must be given to members at least 28 days before the general meeting.

Approved by SID Bylaws Committee: March 24, 2013

Approved by SID Executive Committee: April 14, 2013

Approved by a plurality vote of chapter members: