

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**GUIDANCE COMMITTEE (COMA)**

**ADOPTED BY**

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE F.R.S.-FNRS**

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## ARTICLE 1: ROLE OF THE GUIDANCE COMMITTEE

The role of the Guidance Committee shall suggest to the Board of Trustees of the F.R.S.-FNRS:

- The chairperson of the Scientific Commissions and juries<sup>1</sup> of the F.R.S.-FNRS and its Associated Funds;
- The other experts of the Scientific Commissions and juries<sup>2</sup> of the F.R.S.-FNRS and its Associated Funds.

The Guidance Committee may suggest possible improvements of the procedure to the Secretary General of the F.R.S.-FNRS, on the basis of the experience of its members in the evaluation procedure.

## ARTICLE 2: COMPOSITION OF THE GUIDANCE COMMITTEE

The Guidance Committee is made up of 13 members:

- 12 members: each scientific field (SEN: Exact and Natural Sciences; SVS: Life and Health Sciences; SHS: Human and Social Sciences) is represented by 4 members, who are appointed by the UCLouvain (1 member), the ULB (1 member), the ULiège (1 member) and the small and medium sized universities, i.e., UNamur, UMons or USL-B (1 member);
- The Guidance Committee shall be chaired by the Secretary General of the F.R.S.-FNRS.

Every year, the composition of the Guidance Committee is adopted by the Board of Trustees during the last meeting of the academic year.

## ARTICLE 3: TERMS OF OFFICE

As from the academic year 2017-2018, term of office of every member of the Guidance Committee shall not exceed 6 years.

## ARTICLE 4: INCOMPATIBILITY

The office of Guidance Committee member is incompatible with the function of member within the Scientific Commissions and juries of the F.R.S.-FNRS and its Associated Funds.

Research Directors of the F.R.S.-FNRS only, among permanent researchers, may be members of the Guidance Committee.

## ARTICLE 5: CONVENING MEMBERS AND MEETINGS ORGANISATION

The F.R.S.-FNRS shall organise the meetings and carry out the related clerical work.

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<sup>1</sup> Presidents of FRIA juries excepted. They are appointed by the Board of Trustees of the FRIA upon collegiate proposal of members of the jury who shall recommend 2 "candidates" from different academic or non-academic institutions. The Board of Trustees of the FRIA shall take the final decision while respecting balance between institutions for all juries as possible.

<sup>2</sup> Members from civil society of FRESH juries excepted. They are appointed by the Board of Trustees of the F.R.S.-FNRS.