

**STATUTE
OF THE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF KOŠICE**

The Academic Senate of the Technical University of Košice, pursuant to Article 9(1)(a) point 1 of Act no. 131/2002 on Higher Education and on Amendments and Supplements to Certain Acts, as amended, has approved this Statute of the Technical University of Košice on XX Month 2022, resolution no. XX/2022, as an internal regulation of the Technical University of Košice pursuant to Article 15 (11a) of Act no. 131/2002 on Higher Education and on Amendments and Supplements to Certain Acts, as amended.

**SECTION ONE
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Article 1

Basic provisions

(1) Pursuant to Article 6(1) of Government Decree no. 30/1952 Coll. on Certain Changes in the Organisation of Higher Education Institutions, the College of Technology in Košice was established with effect from 1 September 1952. By the Act of the Slovak National Council no. 94/1991 Coll. on the Change of the Name of the College of Technology in Košice, its name was changed with effect from 01 April 1991 to 'Technická univerzita v Košiciach', in the English language 'Technical University of Košice'.

(2) The Statute of the Technical University of Košice is drawn up on the basis of Act no. 131/2002 on Higher Education and on Amendments and Supplements to Certain Acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act') and related legislation.

(3) Technical University of Košice (hereinafter referred to as 'TUCE') is a public university. The seat of TUKE is Košice. The address of TUKE is: Technická univerzita v Košiciach, Letná 1/9, 042 00 Košice-Sever. The website of TUKE is: www.tuke.sk.

Article 2

Status of TUKE

(1) TUKE is a public university, in the areas defined by the law falls within the competence of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic (hereinafter referred to as "Ministry of Education") as the central body of state administration. It uses a round stamp with the state emblem and the text: 'Technical University of Košice'.

(2) TUKE acts in legal relations in its own name. The academic self-government bodies of the TUKE faculties have the right to decide and act on behalf of TUKE in matters provided for in this Statute.

(3) The Rector is the statutory representative of TUKE. The representatives of the Rector of TUKE authorised to act on behalf of TUKE in the divisions delegated by the Rector are the Vice-Rectors and the Bursar. In matters defined in Article 28 of the Statute, the deans of the faculties represent the Rector.

(4) TUKE provides higher education and enables creative scientific research and creative artistic activity.

(5) In connection with the fulfilment of its mission, TUKE also carries out expertise and other entrepreneurial activities as well as expert activities under appropriate authorisations.

(6) Internal relations at TUKE are governed by the Act, other generally binding legal regulations, internal regulations of TUKE pursuant to Article 15 of the Act and other internal regulations of TUKE.

Article 3

Academic community of TUKE

(1) The academic community of TUKE is the basis of the academic self-government bodies of TUKE; it consists of staff and student part.

(2) The staff part of the academic community consists of:

- a) university teachers and researchers with higher education who are employed by TUKE on fixed weekly working hours,
- b) university teachers and researchers with higher education who are employed by TUKE on a part-time basis, who are simultaneously employed by TUKE due to participation in research projects, where the sum of these part-time employments gives the fixed working time at TUKE.

(3) The student part of the academic community of TUKE consists of students of Bachelor's, Master's, and doctoral studies at TUKE.

SECTION TWO
AREAS OF SELF-GOVERNING COMPETENCE OF TUKE

Article 4
TUKE Mission

(1) The main mission of TUKE, which is part of the European Higher Education Area and the Common European Research Area, is to protect knowledge and develop education based on scientific knowledge and creative scientific and artistic activity in the spirit of national and universal humanistic and democratic traditions. Through its activities, TUKE contributes to the development of a knowledge-based society. In this activity, TUKE follows the global development of science, technology, art and culture.

(2) The main mission of TUKE entails in particular the following tasks:

- a) to provide, organise and ensure higher education within the framework of accredited study programmes of the first, second and third level of study in accordance with the society's needs and to award academic degrees to their graduates in accordance with Article 7 of this Statute,
- b) in the field of science, technology, art and culture, to conduct basic research, applied research and development, to make use of the latest knowledge of science and technology in the education of students and to involve them in creative scientific activities,
- c) to support students and their participation in exercising the self-governing competence of TUKE,
- d) provide further education and continuous education,
- e) award scientific-pedagogical titles 'associate professor', submit proposals for the award of scientific-pedagogical titles of professor,
- f) award the scientific title of Doctor of Science (abbreviated as 'DrSc.') in accordance with the relevant legislation,
- g) award scientific-pedagogical titles 'visiting professor',
- h) award honorary titles 'professor emeritus'.

(3) Details of the study programmes of all three levels of higher education, as well as the areas of further and continuous education, are specified in the statutes of the faculties, the organisational regulations of the departments with university-wide competence, as well as on the TUKE and the websites of faculties.

Article 5
Long-term strategic plan

(1) The Long-term strategic plan of TUKE in the field of educational, scientific, research, development, artistic, entrepreneurial, and other creative activities (hereinafter referred to as 'Long-term strategic plan of TUKE') is the fundamental programme document of TUKE. The long-term strategic plan of TUKE is based mainly on the university-wide development concept and the development concepts of the faculties and its other components involved in educational, scientific, research, development, artistic, entrepreneurial and other creative activities.

(2) The Long-term strategic plan of TUKE and its updating after the opinion of the TUKE Scientific Council (hereinafter referred to as 'VR TUKE') is approved by the TUKE Academic Senate (hereinafter referred to as 'AS TUKE') on the Rector's proposal before it is discussed and approved by the TUKE Governing Board (hereinafter referred to as 'GB TUKE').

Article 6
Study at TUKE and completion of studies

(1) Anyone may be admitted to study according to study programmes provided by individual faculties or the University if they fulfil the basic requirements for admission to study pursuant to Article 56 of the Act, additional requirements pursuant to Article 57(1) of the Act proposed by the Dean or the Rector and approved by the Academic Senate of the relevant faculty pursuant to Article 31 of this Statute or by the AS TUKE, the requirements specified in the agreement pursuant to Article 54a(2) of the Act, and the requirements pursuant to Article 58a(4) of the Act. The Dean or the Rector decides on the admission of the applicant to the studies. An admitted applicant becomes a student of TUKE on the date of enrolment.

(2) At TUKE, conditions are created for the study of students with specific needs without reducing the requirements for their study performance. In this area, the role of a methodological, knowledge and coordination centre is performed by the special pedagogical department Access Centre of TUKE (hereinafter referred to as "BBC"). Its status, tasks, scope and relationship to the organisational units of TUKE, as well as its relationship to other natural and legal persons is regulated by the Organisational Regulations of BBC. If the verification of study abilities includes an entrance examination, for an applicant with specific needs, at their request, based on the evaluation of their specific needs by the TUKE Access Centre in cooperation with the faculty coordinator for students with specific needs, the form of the entrance examination and the method of its evaluation shall be determined taking into account their specific needs.

(3) Studies at TUKE are organised within the academic year, which begins on 1 September of the current year and ends on 31 August of the following year. Enrolment in all three levels of higher education must take place no later than 31 August of the relevant year. Studies in doctoral programmes may also begin at the beginning of the second semester of the academic year; in that case, enrolment as a rule shall take place by 1 March of the year in question.

(4) Studies in one academic year at TUKE and its faculties are divided into two semesters. Bachelor and master studies shall commence at the beginning of the first semester of the academic year.

(5) Educational activities may be conducted in the state language, wholly or partially in a foreign language, all depending on the language in which the particular study programme is accredited.

(6) The TUKE Accreditation Committee shall approve proposals of study programmes of TUKE or the faculty (after approval of the internal quality assurance system of higher education by the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education). The Register of Fields of Study and the Register of Study Programmes are administered and operated by the Ministry of Education. The list of study programmes that are available for study at individual faculties or at the University is published by TUKE on its website.

(7) The Bachelor's study as a first-level higher education shall be completed by passing a state examination. The final thesis together with its defense constitute one course. The defense of the thesis, which is the bachelor's thesis, is the state examination.

(8) Master's study as a second-level higher education shall be completed by passing a state examination. The final thesis together with its defense shall constitute one course. The defense of the final thesis, which is the master's thesis, is a state examination.

(9) Studies in the doctoral study programme, which is a third level of higher education, are conducted according to the individual study plan of the student under the guidance of a supervisor. Doctoral studies in a given field of study shall be monitored by a departmental committee established in accordance with the internal regulations of TUKE pursuant to Article 54 (17) of the Act.

(10) Doctoral studies shall be completed with the defense of the final thesis, which is the dissertation thesis. The dissertation thesis together with its defense shall constitute one course. The defense of the dissertation thesis shall be a state examination.

(11) A condition for admission to the thesis defense in all three levels of higher education at TUKE (bachelor's thesis, master's thesis, dissertation thesis) is, except in cases pursuant to Article 63 (11) of the Act, the student's written consent with the publication and disclosure of the final thesis to the public for the conservation period pursuant to Article 63 (7) of the Act (period of 70 years from the date of registration), without compensation.

(12) Prior to the defense of final theses in all three levels of higher education at TUKE, TUKE shall send these theses in electronic form to the central registry of final, doctoral and habilitation theses and, on the basis of the information from the central registry of final, doctoral and habilitation theses, shall verify the degree of originality of the submitted thesis. If the subject of the thesis is, the creation of a work of art in a form other than literary, written information on the work of art created shall be sent to the central registry of final, doctoral and habilitation theses instead of the thesis, the degree of originality of which shall not be verified. The relevant opinions of the opponents, supervisors, thesis supervisors or other persons shall be sent in electronic form with the thesis and shall be stored in the central registry of final, doctoral and habilitation theses together with the thesis for as long as it is stored. A licence agreement with the copyright holder of the thesis shall be required for the public access to or other publication of these opinions. The procedure for the preparation, elaboration, originality check, storage, publication and public access to final, rigorous and habilitation theses at TUKE is regulated by the Methodological Instruction on Final and Qualification Theses at TUKE.

(13) Final theses at all three levels of higher education at TUKE may be written and defended in a language other than the state language with the consent of the Dean or the Rector in the case of university study programmes.

(14) Details on the conditions of admission to studies as well as on the course and completion of studies at TUKE shall be regulated by the relevant study regulations referred to in Article 63 (2) and (3) of this Statute.

(15) Article 12 of this Statute applies to tuition fees and fees related to studies at TUKE.

(16) The TUKE Disciplinary Rules for Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral students are part of the internal regulations of TUKE.

Article 7

Academic titles and evidence of graduation

(1) Academic titles shall be awarded to graduates of the individual levels of higher education at TUKE and the relevant documents shall be provided:

- a) upon completion of bachelor studies, the academic degree of "Bachelor" (abbreviated as 'Bc.')
- b) upon completion of their master of science studies, the academic degree of 'master of science' (abbreviated as 'Ing.')
- c) upon completion of the Master of Arts studies, the academic degree "Master of Arts" (abbreviated as "Mgr. art.")
- d) upon completion of the doctoral studies, the academic title 'doctor' ('philosophiae doctor', abbreviated as 'PhD.')

follows the name) and are issued with a diploma of completion of the study programme in the relevant field of study and the award of the academic title, indicating the name of the faculty or external educational institution at which the doctoral studies were conducted, a state examination certificate and a diploma supplement.

(2) TUKE shall issue the student with a diploma and a diploma supplement in a combination of the state language and the English language after the student has duly completed their studies.

(3) TUKE shall issue the graduation documents within 45 days of the duly completed studies, unless the graduate agrees to the later issue of these documents.

(4) Recognition of documents of education issued by a higher education institution established outside the territory of the Slovak Republic or by another body authorised to do so under the legislation of the relevant State is a procedure under which it is assessed whether the conditions for the issuance of study documents of education to be recognised are equivalent to the conditions for the issuance of documents of education under the Higher Education Act. The recognition of educational qualifications as evidence of professional qualifications for the purposes of the exercise of a profession shall be subject to a special regulation. The decision on the recognition of the education document shall state that it is not a document of recognition of professional qualifications.

(5) Decisions on the invalidity of the state examination or a part thereof, the invalidity of the rigorous examination or a part thereof, the withdrawal of the scientific-pedagogical title or the artistic-pedagogical title "associate professor" and the proposal for the removal of a professor pursuant to Article 108f of the Act shall be within the competence of the Rector of TUKE. The details of the procedure are regulated in the internal regulations of TUKE in accordance with Article 108f et seq. of the Act.

Article 8

Further and continuous education

(1) The provision of continuing education at TUKE is ensured by the Department of Social Sciences (hereinafter referred to as 'OSV') of the Institute of Languages, Social Sciences and Academic Sports (hereinafter referred to as 'ÚJSŠ') and the faculties of TUKE. OSV ÚJSŠ also provides continuing education to supplement the qualifications of teaching and professional staff. The main areas of the OSV activities are regulated by the Organisational Regulations of the ÚJSŠ.

(2) The provision of further and continuous education at the faculty is regulated by the statute of the faculty concerned.

(3) TUKE in cooperation with other higher education institutions participates in the organisation of the Third Age Interest Study at TUKE.

Article 9

Scientific and artistic activities at TUKE

(1) Activities in the field of research and development (hereinafter referred to as 'R&D') are among the primary work responsibilities of university teachers holding the positions of professor and associate professor; cooperation in R&D activities is among the primary work responsibilities of an assistant professor.

(2) R&D activities shall be carried out in accordance with the academic freedom of scientific research and creative artistic activity.

(3) Faculties and university-wide departments shall create appropriate conditions for the scientific and artistic activities of their teachers, researchers and students and shall be open for cooperation with scientific and artistic departments of HEIs, institutes of the Slovak Academy of Sciences and practice in the Slovak Republic and abroad.

(4) TUKE and the faculties on behalf of TUKE pursuant to Article 42 of this Statute may enter into legal relations with other legal entities in the interest of the implementation and commercial exploitation of the results of scientific, research and artistic activities in accordance with the relevant regulations.

Article 10

Foreign relations

(1) Foreign relations are established by TUKE, faculties and departments with university-wide competence.

(2) Contracts on foreign relations are always signed by the Rector if they are contracts concluded at the university level. After discussion in the Board of the Rector of TUKE, the Rector may designate the faculty in charge of the relevant contract. Contracts concluded at faculty level pursuant to Article 42 of this Statute shall be signed by the dean.

(3) Foreign relations shall take place in the field of scientific and research, education, artistic, business, sports and cultural cooperation.

(4) Contractual obligations with foreign partners shall be in accordance with general legislation. Coordination and registration of foreign relations shall be ensured at the level of TUKE.

Article 11

Conditions for the study of foreigners

(1) All applicants and students of TUKE have equal rights and obligations in accordance with the principle of equal treatment in education (Article 55 (2) of the Act).

(2) Tuition fees and fees related to the study of foreigners at TUKE are covered by Article 12 of this Statute. In the case of students studying under interstate agreements, the tuition fees and fees related to their study shall be governed by the provisions of these agreements (Article 92 (11) of the Act). A student who has been issued a certificate of a Slovak living

abroad under a specific provision shall be considered a citizen of the Slovak Republic for the purposes of payment of tuition fees and fees related to study.

Article 12

Tuition fees and fees related to study

(1) TUKE requires from students an annual tuition fee for:

- a) study of a second and a further study programme in the case of concurrent study of a study programme of the same level (Article 92 (5) of the Act),
- b) studying a study programme beyond its standard length (Article 92(6) and Article 113a(10) of the Act); if the student is studying a study programme beyond its standard length because of participation in an academic mobility within an exchange programme in compliance with the conditions of that exchange programme or if they were granted a social scholarship in the last year of study during the standard length of study, the obligation to pay tuition fees does not arise in the next year of study following the exceeding of the standard length of study,
- c) studying a study programme in the part-time form (Article 92(4) of the Act), with the exception provided for in Article 113aca of the Act,
- d) the study of a study programme in a full-time form if the study programme is conducted exclusively in a language other than the national language. The obligation to pay tuition fees in this case arises only if, in the academic year in which the study programme was commenced, TUKE admitted to study in the same field of study and level in a study programme which is also conducted in the national language and TUKE informed the admitted applicant in writing of the obligation to pay tuition fees, together with the amount of the annual tuition fee for all years of study during the standard length of study of the study programme.

(2) TUKE requires the following study-related fees from students:

- a) a fee for the material support of the admission procedure (Article 92(12) of the Act),
- b) a fee for acts connected with the rigorous procedure and the defense of the doctoral thesis (Article 92(13) of the Act),
- c) the fee for the issue of the diploma of the award of the academic title to master's graduates who have passed the rigorous examination (Article 92(14) of the Act),
- d) fees for the issue of study documents and copies thereof (Article 67 of the Law), for the issue of proofs of graduation (Article 68), if requested in a foreign language, for the issue of copies of proofs of graduation, all pursuant to Article 92(15) of the Act.

(3) TUKE shall publish the tuition fees and fees related to the study pursuant to (1) and (2) of this Article for the following academic year no later than two months before the last day set for the submission of applications for study. In the case of study programmes in the part-time form of study and study programmes conducted in a language other than the state language, TUKE shall publish the student's obligation to pay the tuition fees pursuant to (1)(c) and (d) of this Article for all years of study during the standard length of study of the study programme for students admitted to study in the relevant academic year. TUKE may reduce the published tuition fee during the course of studies. The tuition fee after the standard length of the part-time study is exceeded shall correspond to the tuition fee specified in the study programme for the relevant academic year.

(4) An applicant for study at TUKE is obliged to pay the fee for admission procedure before submitting their application for study.

(5) A student of TUKE is obliged to pay the specified annual tuition fee before enrolment for the relevant academic year.

(6) The amount of the annual tuition fee and fees connected to study pursuant to (1) and (2) of this Article, the form of their payment and their due date shall be determined by the Rector in the form of a Rector's Directive after prior approval of the proposal by the AS TUKE.

(7) Pursuant to Article 92(18) of the Act, the Rector may reduce, remit or defer the due date of tuition fees and fees related to study on the basis of a written request of a student, supported by relevant documents and the opinion of the dean of the relevant faculty in the case of:

- a) student's outstanding academic performance,
- b) a student with specific needs,
- c) a student in a difficult social situation (conditions specified in the Rector's Directive pursuant to (6),
- d) other circumstances worthy of special consideration.

(8) The conduct of a student who has failed to pay tuition fees or applicable fees related to study pursuant to (1) and (2) of this Article, and who has not been granted a deferment of payment, shall be treated as a disciplinary offence, for which the student may be suspended or expelled from studies.

(9) At least 20% of the revenue from tuition fees pursuant to (1)(a) and (b) of this Article shall be income of the TUKE Scholarship Fund. That part of the tuition fee revenue which is not income of the scholarship fund may be used only for the fulfilment of the main tasks of TUKE in the field of higher education.

(10) The general regulations on administrative fees do not apply to fees related to studies under this Act.

(11) The obligation to pay tuition fees and fees related to study may be assumed by another natural person or legal entity (Article 92(22) of the Act).

Article 13
Scholarships

(1) The Ministry of Education may award a scholarship to a student:

- a) for the achievement of exceptional educational results under the conditions set out in Article 94a (1) of the Act.
- b) for the achievement of exceptional educational results during secondary school education (Article 94 (2) of the Act),
- c) according to a scholarship programme approved by the Government or the Ministry of Education (Article 94(3) of the Act).

(2) The number of students to be awarded a scholarship, required academic results, deadline for submission of applications, criteria and method of evaluation of applications, and other conditions for awarding a scholarship under (1) (a) and (b) of this Article shall be determined and published by the Ministry of Education on its website. In the case of scholarships under (1) (c) of this Article, the Ministry of Education shall publish the scholarship programme on its website.

(3) TUKE shall grant a social scholarship to students of first and second level study programmes who have permanent residence in the Slovak Republic and to students who have been granted asylum, subsidiary protection or temporary refuge and meet the established conditions. The social scholarship contributes to the payment of costs associated with studies and the student is legally entitled to receive it. The Rector of TUKE or the Dean of the faculty providing the relevant study programme decides on the entitlement to a social scholarship. If the student fails to meet the conditions for granting a social scholarship set out in the TUKE Scholarship Regulations, the social scholarship will not be granted.

(4) TUKE awards students a merit scholarship from the funds provided for this purpose from the state budget or from its own resources. The merit scholarship may be granted from the state budget:

a) in fields of study determined in the annual methodology of the Ministry for determining the subsidy on the basis of analyses and forecasts of the labour market development, taking into account the study results from the previous study; if the student is a student of a first level study programme in the first year of study, the study results from the last year of study at a secondary school shall be taken into account,

b) for outstanding fulfilment of study obligations, achievement of an outstanding result in the field of study, research, development, artistic or sports activities.

(5) TUKE awards students a merit scholarship from the state budget for achieving an outstanding result in sports activities. The criteria for its award and its amount are published by the Ministry of Education on its website (Article 96a (2) of the Act).

(3) TUKE shall grant a pregnant student who has permanent residence in the Slovak Republic and who is not entitled to the payment of a pregnancy benefit, a pregnancy scholarship from the state budget. The student is legally entitled to the pregnancy scholarship. The Rector of TUKE decides on the eligibility for a pregnancy scholarship.

(4) TUKE may grant students and graduates, who are within 90 days of duly completing their studies, a merit scholarship from its own resources, in particular for outstanding performance of study obligations, for achieving an outstanding result in the field of study, research, development, artistic or sports activities, for active contribution to the development of TUKE or the faculty, or as a one-off or regular social support.

(5) TUKE or the faculty may conclude a contract with an entrepreneur (according to Article 2 (2) of the Commercial Code) on a scholarship program for the provision of corporate scholarships. The contract on the scholarship program for the provision of corporate scholarships contains the requirements according to Article 97a (3) of the Act. The purpose of a corporate scholarship is to support study in selected study programmes or to motivate the choice of a certain topic of the thesis. A student has no legal right to the corporate scholarship.

(6) TUKE or a faculty shall grant a doctoral scholarship to all students of full-time doctoral study programmes during the standard length of study of the study programme to which they were admitted, if they have not already obtained higher education of the third level.

(7) The conditions for the granting of scholarships referred to in this Article are determined by the TUKE Scholarship Regulations. The Scholarship Regulations shall be issued by the Rector after approval by AS TUKE as an internal regulation of TUKE.

Article 14
Annual reports, evaluation of TUKE activities

(1) TUKE shall annually compile the TUKE Annual Management Report and the TUKE Annual Activity Report in the time and form determined by the Ministry of Education.

(2) The TUKE Annual Management Report shall be prepared in the structure set out in Article 20(3) of the Act. The report shall be compiled on the basis of documents received from the faculties and other organisational units of TUKE. The TUKE Annual Management Report shall be approved by the AS TUKE on the proposal of the Rector of TUKE, after the prior opinion of the TUKE Governing Board.

(3) The TUKE Annual Activity Report shall be prepared in the structure set out in Article 20(2) of the Act. The TUKE Annual Activity Report shall be approved by the AS TUKE on the proposal of the Rector of TUKE after the prior opinion of the TUKE Governing Board. The report shall be prepared on the basis of documents received from the faculties and other organisational units of TUKE.

(4) After approval, the annual reports referred to in (1) of this Article shall be submitted to the Ministry of Education and published as non-periodical publications.

(5) The conclusions of the annual reports shall be used in management activities and for the purpose of possible refinement of the long-term strategic plan of TUKE.

(6) At TUKE, educational, scientific, research, development, artistic, entrepreneurial and other creative activities are regularly evaluated in accordance with the long-term plan of the school's activities.

(7) The evaluation of research and development activities shall be carried out in accordance with Act no. 172/2005 Coll. on the organisation of state support for research and development, as amended in conjunction with the Act no. 358/2015 Coll. on the regulation of certain relations in the field of state aid and minimum aid and on amendments and supplements to certain acts (State Aid Law).

(8) The overall results of the evaluation pursuant to (6) and (7) of this Article are presented in the annual activity reports, in which the facts presented are also analysed in terms of the quality of the individual activities of TUKE and its development at all faculties.

(9) TUKE evaluates and is responsible for the quality of the higher education provided. The details of quality assurance of higher education, the policy of TUKE in this area, its procedures and the manner of their application and evaluation shall be regulated by an internal regulation of TUKE pursuant to Article 63(3)(b) of this Statute.

(10) In connection with the annual activity report, the TUKE Scientific Council shall annually evaluate the qualification development of the TUKE academic staff, the course and quality of habilitation and inauguration procedures, as well as the degree of development of doctoral study programmes.

SECTION THREE TUKE BODIES

Article 15 TUKE bodies

(1) The bodies of TUKE are:

- a) TUKE academic self-government bodies,
- b) other bodies of TUKE.

(2) TUKE academic self-government bodies are:

- a) Academic Senate of TUKE,
- b) Rector of TUKE,
- c) TUKE Scientific Council,
- d) TUKE Disciplinary Board.

(3) Other bodies of TUKE are:

- a) Bursar of TUKE,
- b) TUKE Governing Board,
- c) TUKE Accreditation Committee.

Article 16 Academic Senate of TUKE

(1) The Academic Senate of TUKE is an academic self-government body of TUKE. The legal status and competence of the AS TUKE are given in Articles 8 and 9 of the Act.

(2) The AS TUKE approves, on the proposal of the Rector, the internal regulations of TUKE pursuant to Article 63(3)(a), (c) to (f), and (j) to (m) and (4)(a) to (e) and (g) to (i), on the proposal of the Chairman of the AS TUKE the internal regulations of TUKE pursuant to Article 63(3)(g) to (i) of this Statute, and on the proposal of the Dean of the Faculty of TUKE the internal regulations of TUKE pursuant to Article 9(1)(a)(3) of the Act.

(3) The AS TUKE, on the proposal of the Rector of TUKE, shall express its opinion on the internal regulations pursuant to Article 15(1)(b) of the Act (internal quality assurance system of higher education) before its submission to the TUKE Scientific Council.

(4) In the case of a regulation pursuant to Article 15(1)(h) of the Act and at the same time Article 61(3)(g) of this Statute (principles for the election of a candidate for the Rector and the acceptance of a proposal for the removal of the Rector), the AS of TUKE, on the proposal of the Rector, shall approve the regulation prior to its discussion and approval by the TUKE Governing Board

(5) The AS TUKE, on the proposal of the Rector, approves the following prior to the meeting of the TUKE Governing Board:

- a) the long-term strategic plan of TUKE,
- b) merger, abolition, division, change of name or change of the seat of TUKE,
- c) merger, abolition, division, change of name or change of seat of a unit of TUKE,
- d) budget of TUKE,
- e) methodology for the allocation of the state budget subsidy from the chapter of the Ministry of Education pursuant to Article 89 of the Act to the units of TUKE,

(6) The AS TUKE shall, on the proposal of the Rector, discuss, prior to the meeting of the TUKE Governing Board, the distribution of the subsidy from the state budget from the chapter of the Ministry of Education under Article 89 of the Act to the units of TUKE,

(7) AS TUKE gives prior written consent to the Rector's proposals for:

- a) contribution of property to another legal entity or contribution upon establishment of another legal entity (Article 19(5) of the Act),
- b) contribution of TUKE's property to a commercial company or a contribution on the establishment of a commercial company (Article 19(5) of the Act),
- c) the sale of unnecessary immovable property,
- d) the provision of immovable property for the purposes of the association pursuant to a special regulation (Articles 825 to 841 of the Civil Code), subject to the conditions specified in Article 17(5) of the Act,
- e) the lease of immovable property for a period of more than one year or for an indefinite period,
- f) securing an obligation by creating a pledge or securing an obligation by transferring the right to immovable property,
- g) assignment of a claim if the consideration is less than 80% of the nominal value of the claim,
- h) the donation of unnecessary movable property the cost of which was more than €15 000 and the residual value recorded in the accounts is more than €10 000,
- i) exchange of immovable property,
- j) loan of immovable property for a period of more than one year or for an indefinite period,
- k) cancellation of a debt of more than €10 000,
- l) write-off of a claim of more than €6 000,
- m) conclusion of a concession contract.

(8) The AS TUKE shall be entitled to exercise the powers of the Academic Senate of the Faculty (hereinafter referred to as 'ASF') under Article 9(1)(j) of the Act for the necessary period of time, lasting until the removal of the deficiencies, if the ASF:

- a) carries out its activities in violation of laws, other generally binding regulations, internal regulations of TUKE, internal regulations of the relevant faculty,
- b) carries out its activities in a composition, which is in violation of Article 22 (11) of the Act and Article 31 of this Statute, or is dysfunctional.

(9) The AS TUKE shall be entitled to exercise the powers of the ASF during this necessary period:

- a) pursuant to Article 9(4) of the Act and Article 32(1)(b) and (c) of this Statute, to approve amendments and supplements to the regulations of the relevant faculty in such a way that these amendments and supplements are not in conflict with the Act, generally binding regulations or the statute of the relevant faculty,
- b) pursuant to Article 32(1)(f) of this Statute, only to the extent of controlling the management of the faculty's financial resources,
- c) only to the extent of approving the Rector's proposal for the removal of the Dean pursuant to Article 22(9) of the Act.

(10) Pursuant to Article 8(2) of the Act, the AS TUKE is composed of elected representatives of the academic community of TUKE; it has fifteen members, five of whom are students. On the date of the announcement of the elections to the AS TUKE, the faculty, which has the highest number of members of the staff part of its academic community, shall be determined. The members of the staff section of AS TUKE shall be elected in such a way that one member represents each faculty, except for the faculty designated in the preceding sentence. The faculty with the highest number of members of the staff part of its academic community shall have two members of the staff part of the AS TUKE. Student representation in the student part of AS TUKE includes five faculties that have the highest number of students enrolled on the date of the announcement of the elections to AS TUKE.

(11) The method of election of members of AS TUKE, the method of termination of membership, as well as the method of additional election of members of AS TUKE in the event that during the term of office of AS TUKE a new faculty is established or some faculties are merged and more than 6 months remain until the end of the term of office of AS TUKE, are regulated by the Principles TUKE Academic Senate Elections, which is an internal regulation of TUKE. Membership in the AS TUKE is voluntary and irreplaceable. The term of office of AS TUKE lasts four years.

(12) Members of AS TUKE shall decide independently on the matters under discussion. They shall be accountable for their activities to the academic community of TUKE. A member of AS TUKE has the right to interpellate academic officials of TUKE, who are obliged to take a position immediately or in writing within 14 days.

(13) The AS TUKE elects its chairman and vice-chairman from the members of AS TUKE by direct secret ballot.

(14) AS TUKE meetings are convened by its chairman or vice-chairman. Meetings shall be held as required, at least twice per semester. The meeting of AS TUKE shall be governed by the Rules of Procedure of AS TUKE.

(15) The activities of the AS TUKE are financially and administratively ensured by the Rectorate of TUKE (hereinafter referred to as 'R TUKE') from the university funds allocated for this purpose. The AS TUKE has the right to use the facilities of TUKE and the faculties that are necessary for its activities.

Article 17
Rector of TUKE

(1) The Rector is the statutory body of TUKE, which he manages, acts on behalf of and represents externally.

(2) The term of office of the Rector shall be four years. The same person may hold the office of Rector for a maximum of two consecutive terms.

(3) The proposal for the appointment of the Rector shall be submitted by the AS TUKE within 15 days of the decision to the Minister of Education, who shall submit it to the President of the Slovak Republic.

(4) The status of the Rector is regulated by Article 10 of the Act. The Rector shall further perform the following activities:

- a) appoints and removes the deans of the faculties of TUKE on the proposal of the electoral assembly of the respective faculty pursuant to Article 33 (2) of this Statute,
- b) issues the internal regulations of TUKE referred to in Article 15(1)(a) to (f) and (j) to (n) of the Act,
- c) issues internal regulations of the Rectorate and departments with university-wide competence,
- d) issues internal regulations of TUKE issued within the framework of the QMS,
- e) submits to the Ministry of Education an application for registration of the Statute of TUKE,
- f) publishes the validity of the internal regulations of TUKE,
- g) comments on the draft statute of the faculty before approval in the AS TUKE,
- h) determines the manner of their substitution during their absence,
- i) coordinates the implementation of the programme of activities aimed at addressing the conceptual and focal issues of education, research, development and management of the university,
- j) controls the use of funds allocated to TUKE units in accordance with the TUKE Organisational Regulations,
- k) appoints and removes vice-rectors after the opinion of the AS TUKE,
- l) appoints and removes the bursar, directors or heads of departments with university-wide competence,
- m) appoints and removes members of the TUKE Accreditation Committee,
- n) grants, on the basis of a decision of the TUKE Governing Board or on the basis of a decision of the Faculty Governing Board, the scientific-pedagogical title or the artistic-pedagogical title of 'associate professor',
- o) submits to the Minister of Education proposals for the appointment of professors by the President approved by the TUKE Scientific Council,
- p) decides on the invalidation of state examination or part thereof, invalidation of rigorous examination or part thereof, withdrawal of the scientific-pedagogical title or the artistic-pedagogical title of 'associate professor' and on the submission of the proposal for the removal of a professor,
- q) coordinates cooperation between the faculties of TUKE.

(5) The office of Rector shall be terminated for the reasons specified in Article 10 (8) of the Act.

Article 18
TUKE Scientific Council

(1) The TUKE Scientific Council is a TUKE academic self-government body. The appointment and removal of regular members of the SC TUKE is specified in Article 11 of the Act.

(2) The Rector may appoint honorary members of SC TUKE with an advisory vote after discussion in AS TUKE.

(3) The competence of the Scientific Council is defined in Article 12 of the Act.

(4) The meetings of SC TUKE are governed by the Rules of Procedure of the TUKE Scientific Council, which is an internal regulation of TUKE.

Article 19
TUKE Disciplinary Board

(1) The TUKE Disciplinary Board discusses disciplinary offences of students enrolled under the relevant study programme at the level of TUKE and submits a proposal for a decision to the Rector.

(2) The members of the TUKE Disciplinary Board and its chairman shall be appointed by the Rector from among the members of the academic community of TUKE after approval by the AS TUKE. Half of the members of this Board shall be students.

(3) The activities of the TUKE Disciplinary Board are governed by the Rules of Procedure of the TUKE Disciplinary Board, which are approved by the AS TUKE on the proposal of the Rector of TUKE and are an internal regulation of TUKE.

Article 20
Advisory bodies of the Rector of TUKE

(1) The following are the Rector's advisor bodies:

- a) TUKE management,
- b) Board of the Rector of TUKE,
- c) TUKE Rector's Council,
- d) Accreditation Board,
- e) Expert committees and working groups.

(2) The Management of TUKE is an advisory body to the Rector for the operational resolution of those issues of the University management that require collective discussion. The Rector shall be the Chairman of the TUKE Management and its members shall be:

- a) Vice-Rectors,
- b) Bursar,
- c) Chairman of the AS TUKE.

The Head of the Inspection and Complaints Office, as well as authorised representatives of students and employees have the right to participate in the meetings of the TUKE Management. If necessary, the Rector of TUKE may invite other senior staff members to attend the TUKE Management meetings.

(3) The Board of the Rector of TUKE is an advisory body to the Rector for the operational resolution of issues relating in particular to the scope of self-governing competence and rights of the faculties. The Board of the Rector is chaired by the Rector and its members are the deans of the faculties.

(4) The TUKE Rector's Council is an advisory body to the Rector for the operational resolution of issues relating in particular to the basic organisational units of TUKE. The Rector is the chairman of the Rector's Council and its members are:

- a) members of the TUKE Management,
- b) deans of the faculties,
- c) the Director of the SD&C and the heads of departments with university-wide competence.

Authorised representatives of students and employees have the right to participate in the meetings of the Rector's Council. Other senior staff, members of the TUKE academic community, other TUKE employees and guests may be invited to attend the Rector's Council meetings if necessary.

(5) The TUKE Accreditation Board (hereinafter referred to as 'AB TUKE') is an advisory body to the Rector of TUKE, which coordinates and subsequently develops a proposal for an internal quality assurance system of higher education at TUKE. After granting/obtaining the so-called institutional accreditation by the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education, the AB TUKE receives and assesses applications of TUKE and faculties for accreditation and modification of study programmes, which are then submitted to the TUKE Accreditation Committee for approval. AB TUKE receives and assesses applications for accreditation to conduct habilitation and inauguration procedures in the field of habilitation and inauguration procedures, which are subsequently approved by the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education. AB TUKE has at least six members. The status, competence, internal structure of AB TUKE, and the manner of its decision-making are regulated by the Organisational and Procedural Regulations of AB TUKE.

(6) The expert committees and working groups of TUKE are advisory bodies of the Rector. Committees and working groups are established and abolished by the Rector. Their status is regulated by the Organisational Regulations of TUKE Rectorate.

Article 21

TUKE Governing Board

(1) The TUKE Governing Board (hereinafter referred to as 'GB TUKE') is a body which, within the scope of its competence defined by law, promotes the strengthening of the bonds between TUKE and society. It applies and promotes the public interest in the activities of TUKE, in particular in connection with the use of its property and the funds provided to TUKE by the State.

(2) GB TUKE shall have five members. The legal status and competence of the GB TUKE are specified in Articles 40 and 41 of the Act and are regulated in detail in the Statute of the GB TUKE, which, after approval by the GB TUKE, is registered by the Ministry of Education.

(3) Meetings of the GB TUKE shall be convened by its Chairman at least twice a year. Meetings of the GB TUKE shall be open to the public. At the request of the Rector, the Chairperson of the GB TUKE is obliged to convene a meeting of the GB TUKE within 30 days at the latest.

Article 22

TUKE Accreditation Committee

(1) The TUKE Accreditation Committee (hereinafter referred to as 'AC TUKE') is an independent body which, in accordance with the formalised processes of the internal quality assurance system of higher education at TUKE, impartially, objectively, professionally, transparently and fairly approves the accreditation of study programmes in those fields of study and in the levels of higher education at TUKE in which TUKE has been authorised to design, deliver and modify study programmes on the basis of a decision of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education.

(2) AC TUKE is appointed and removed by the Rector of TUKE after prior discussion in the AS TUKE.

(3) AC TUKE has 10 members, at least three of whom must not be employees of TUKE and two of whom must be students.

(4) The status, competence, internal structure of AC TUKE, and the manner of its decision-making are regulated by the Statute and the Rules of Procedure of AC TUKE, which are internal regulations of TUKE.

Article 23

Bursar of TUKE

(1) The Bursar of TUKE is the body, which ensures and is responsible for the economic and administrative operation of TUKE. The Bursar directly manages the departments provided for in the organisational regulations of R TUKE. They are directly subordinate to the Rector and act on behalf of TUKE to the extent determined by the Rector of TUKE.

(2) The status of Bursar is determined by the Organisational Regulations of TUKE as an internal regulation of TUKE.

(3) The Bursar, in accordance with the conclusions of AS TUKE, GB TUKE, decisions of academic officials of TUKE and to the extent determined by the Rector, methodically guides and coordinates the activities of the rectorate departments, secretaries of faculties and university-wide departments in the field of budget and management.

(4) The Bursar cooperates with Vice-Rectors in the areas of economic and operational provision of activities entrusted to them pursuant to Article 23 of this Statute and as decided by the Rector.

Article 24

Vice-Rectors of TUKE

(1) The Vice-Rectors represent the Rector to the extent determined by the Rector. They shall be responsible for their activities to the Rector. The number of Vice-Rectors and the areas of their activity are defined in the Organisational Regulations of TUKE, which is an internal regulation of TUKE.

(2) The term of office of Vice-Rectors shall be four years.

(3) Vice-Rectors in a defined area of activity are authorised to act on behalf of TUKE in legal relations to the extent determined by the Rector of TUKE.

Article 25

**Method of election of a candidate for the Rector of TUKE
and method of acceptance of a proposal for their removal**

Principles of the election of a candidate for the Rector of TUKE and the acceptance of a proposal for the removal of the Rector of TUKE are part of the internal regulations of TUKE pursuant to Article 63(3)(g) of this Statute.

SECTION FOUR

TUKE UNITS

Article 26

Structure of TUKE

(1) TUKE has the following components:

- a) faculties,
- b) rectorate,
- c) student dormitories and canteens (hereinafter referred to as 'SD&C'),
- d) departments with a university-wide competence,
- e) departments with a university-wide competence, the activities of which are generally supported by special-purpose grants and resources obtained from their own activities,
- f) sports and recreational facilities,
- g) cultural and interest associations,
- h) sports organisations and sports clubs.

(2) The organisational structure of TUKE and the basic characteristics of the departments referred to in (1)(e) to (h) of this Article are set out in an internal regulation of TUKE pursuant to Article 15(1)(f) of the Act.

(3) The organisation and management of the TUKE departments shall be determined by their organisational regulations.

(4) The organisational regulations of TUKE departments pursuant to (1)(b) to (h) of this Article shall be approved by AS TUKE on the proposal of the Rector. The Rector shall issue the organisational regulations of these TUKE departments.

(5) Organisational regulations of the TUKE faculty shall be approved by the Academic Senate of the faculty on the proposal of the Dean of the faculty pursuant to Article 32 of this Statute. Organisational regulations of the faculty shall be issued by the Dean of the faculty.

(6) The TUKE departments shall cooperate in the field of education, scientific research and other activities.

Article 27

Faculty

(1) The legal status and competence of the faculty is specified in Article 22 of the Act and in Articles 27 to 37 of this Statute.

(2) Collective bodies of academic self-government shall be established at the faculties of TUKE.

(3) The faculties of TUKE shall have the right to use their own academic insignia and to hold academic ceremonies in accordance with the internal regulations and traditions of TUKE.

Article 28
Faculty bodies

- (1) The bodies of the academic self-government of the faculty shall be:
- Academic Senate of the Faculty,
 - Dean,
 - Faculty Disciplinary Board for Students (hereinafter referred to as the 'Faculty Disciplinary Board').
- (2) Other bodies of the Faculty are:
- Scientific Council of the Faculty, Artistic Council of the Faculty or Scientific and Artistic Council of the Faculty,
 - Secretary of the Faculty.

Article 29
Scope of the self-governing competence and rights of the faculty

(1) The academic self-governing bodies of the Faculty shall have the right to decide or act on behalf of TUKE in the following matters pursuant to this Statute:

- determining other conditions of admission to study and deciding in the admission procedure for study programmes conducted at the faculty (Article 58(6) of the Act),
- the design of new accredited study programmes and their delivery at the faculty,
- deciding on matters concerning the academic rights and duties of students enrolled in study programmes conducted at the faculty (Articles 70 to 72 of the Act),
- concluding, modifying and terminating employment relationships to the extent and under the conditions specified in Article 42(2)(a) of this Statute
- conducting entrepreneurial activities (Article 18 of the Act) in accordance with the rules specified in this Statute (Article 42(2)(b) of this Statute), cooperation with other universities, legal entities and natural persons, including those from abroad, in the fields in which the Faculty operates, to the extent and under the conditions specified in this Statute (Article 42(2)(e) of this Statute).

(2) The self-governing competence of the Faculty further includes:

- determining the number of applicants for admission to study in the manner specified in this Statute (Article 42(2)(d) of this Statute),
- the organisation of studies in accordance with the study rules and regulations of TUKE
- determining the number and structure of positions of staff employed at the Faculty to the extent specified in this Statute (Article 42(2)(c) of this Statute),
- election of members of the academic self-governing bodies of the Faculty,
- the conduct of foreign relations and activities in the areas in which the Faculty operates,
- management of funds allocated to the faculty by the university and of funds otherwise received by the faculty for the performance of its tasks; the faculty shall provide an opinion on the management of property used for the performance of its tasks (Article 17(2) of the Act).

Article 30
Academic community of the faculty

(1) The academic community of the faculty is the basis of the academic self-government of the faculty. It elects and removes the members of the Academic Senate of the Faculty. The academic community of the Faculty shall consist of staff and students.

(2) The staff section of the academic community of the faculty consists of:

- university teachers and researchers with higher education who are employed by TUKE on fixed weekly working hours,
- university teachers and researchers with higher education who are in part-time employment with TUKE and at the same time are in employment at TUKE due to participation in research projects, where the sum of these part-time employments gives the established weekly working time at TUKE.

(3) The student section of the Faculty's academic community consists of students of Bachelor's, Master's and doctoral studies at the Faculty.

Article 31
Academic senate of the faculty

(1) The Academic Senate of the Faculty shall be its self-governing body. It shall have at least nine members, at least one third of whom shall be students.

(2) The Academic Senate of the Faculty shall be divided into a staff section and a student section. The members of the staff part of the Academic Senate of the Faculty shall be elected in direct secret ballot by the members of the staff part of the academic community of the Faculty. Members of the student section of the Faculty Academic Senate shall be elected by secret ballot by members of the student section of the Faculty academic community. Only a member of the staff academic community of the Faculty may be a member of the staff section of the Academic Senate of the Faculty. Only a member of the student academic community of the Faculty may be a member of the student part of the Academic Senate of the Faculty.

(3) The office of a member of the Faculty Academic Senate is incompatible with the office of Rector, Vice-Rector, Dean, Vice-Dean, Bursar and Secretary of the Faculty.

(4) The term of office of the members of the Academic Senate of the Faculty shall be a maximum of four years.

(5) Meetings of the Faculty Academic Senate shall be open to the public. The dean or, in their place, the vice-dean or the secretary of the faculty and the rector shall have the right to speak at a meeting in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Academic Senate whenever they so request. At the request of the dean or the rector, the chairman of the Academic Senate shall convene a meeting of the Academic Senate without delay, but not later than within 14 days. If the Chairman of the Academic Senate fails to do so, the Dean shall convene a meeting of the Academic Senate of the Faculty.

(6) Membership of the Academic Senate of the Faculty shall cease

- a) on the expiry of the term of office of the member,
- b) upon the appointment of the member to one of the offices referred to in (3) of this Article,
- c) on termination of membership of the staff section of the academic community of the faculty,
- d) interruption of the studies of a member of the student section of the Academic Senate of the Faculty,
- e) the termination of the studies of a member of the student section of the Academic Senate of the Faculty, unless they have applied for suspension from the Academic Senate of the Faculty pursuant to (8),
- f) failure to enrol in studies at the faculty for which they have been elected no later than the last day set for the enrolment of admitted applicants for the academic year concerned, in the case of a member with suspended membership,
- g) the expiry of six months from the date of suspension; this shall not apply if the reinstatement of membership takes place within that period,
- h) resignation as a member,
- i) removal from office by the academic community; the grounds for removal and the procedure for election and removal are determined by the internal regulations of the Faculty,
- j) death of a member.

(7) If a member of the Academic Senate of the Faculty ceases to be a member before the expiry of the term of office pursuant to paragraph (6)(b) to (j) of this Article, the corresponding section of the academic community shall elect a new member of the Academic Senate of the Faculty to fill the position left vacant, whose term of office shall last until the end of the term of office of the member whose membership has ceased prematurely, or, if provided for by an internal regulation of the Faculty, the elected substitute shall take their place.

(8) A member of the student part of the Academic Senate of the Faculty who is not a student in a doctoral study programme may, before the duly completed course of study, apply in writing for the suspension of their membership of the Academic Senate of the Faculty. Membership shall be suspended as of the day following the day on which their studies are duly completed. Membership shall be restored on the date on which they resume membership of the student section of the academic community of the faculty concerned, unless it has ceased for other reasons by then. The internal regulations of the Faculty shall determine whether an elected alternate shall become a member of the Academic Senate of the Faculty for the period of suspension and the manner of their election, or whether a suspended member shall be deemed to be absent from the meetings of the Academic Senate of the Faculty.

Article 32

Competence of the Academic Senate of the Faculty

(1) The Academic Senate of the Faculty

- a) shall represent the academic community of the Faculty, including for the purposes of Article 22(4) of the Act,
- b) shall approve, on the proposal of the Dean, the internal regulations of the Faculty pursuant to Article 39(1)(a), (b), (f), and (g) of this Statute,
- c) shall approve, on the proposal of the Chairman of the Academic Senate of the Faculty, the internal regulations of the Faculty pursuant to Article 39(1)(c) and (d) of this Statute,
- d) shall discuss the Dean's proposal for the appointment and removal of Vice-Deans,
- e) approves the Dean's proposal for the appointment and removal of members of the Faculty's Scientific Council,
- f) approves the draft budget of the Faculty submitted by the Dean and reviews the management of the Faculty's financial resources,
- g) approves the long-term strategic plan for the faculty's educational, research, development, artistic or other creative activities (hereinafter referred to as 'long-term strategic plan of the faculty') drawn up in accordance with the Long-term Strategic Plan of TUKE, submitted by the Dean after discussion in the Scientific Council of the faculty, and its update,
- h) approves the annual activity report and the annual management report of the Faculty submitted by the Dean,
- i) approves other conditions of admission to study of study programmes delivered by the Faculty submitted by the Dean (Article 29(1)(a) of this Statute),

- j) expresses its opinion on the Dean's proposal for the establishment, merger, division or abolition of departments of the Faculty,
- k) elects the faculty's representative to the Council for Higher Education (Article 107(3) of the Act),
- l) once a year, reports to the academic community of the faculty on its activities, which shall be published on the university's website for at least four years,
- m) expresses its opinion on the Rector's proposals for actions pursuant to Article 41(2)(a) to (c) of the Act relating to the transfer of property or the establishment of easements or pre-emption rights over property used for the performance of the tasks of the Faculty prior to their submission for approval to the AS TUKE and the GB TUKE,
- n) performs other tasks determined by the internal regulations of TUKE or the Faculty.

(2) The Academic Senate of the Faculty shall take decisions on the issues referred to in paragraph (1)(k) by secret ballot and on the other issues referred to in (1) by secret ballot, if it decides on secret ballot in the given matter.

Article 33

Dean

(1) The legal status and competence of the dean is given in Article 22 of the Act. The dean shall be the representative of the faculty, shall manage, represent and act in the matters of the faculty. In matters pursuant to Articles 29 and 42 of this Statute, the dean shall act on behalf of TUKE. The dean shall be accountable for their activities to the Academic Senate of the Faculty. The dean is accountable to the rector for their activities in matters in which they act on behalf of the university (Articles 29 and 42 of this Statute), for the management of the faculty and for their other activities within the scope defined by this Statute.

(2) The candidate for dean shall be elected by the electoral assembly, which shall be established in such a way that one quarter of the votes shall be given to persons appointed by the Rector on the basis of a proposal of the Chairman of the AS TUKE, after the prior opinion of the Chairman of the AS of the faculty. The other persons of the electoral assembly shall be members of the Academic Senate of the Faculty.

(3) The Chairman of the Academic Senate of the Faculty may run for the office of the dean at this Faculty after the expiry of their term of office as Chairman of the Academic Senate of the Faculty.

(4) The term of office of the dean shall be four years. The same person may serve no more than two consecutive terms as dean at a given faculty.

(5) The dean shall be employed by TUKE and shall be assigned to the faculty, which they head. Termination of the employment related to the performance of the post of dean shall be conditional upon the prior termination of the performance of the post of dean. When appointing a dean, the Rector of TUKE concludes a contract with the dean for the term of office, which includes measurable indicators for the purpose of improving the quality of education at the faculty and the level of research, development or artistic and other activities of the faculty, as well as the objectives that result from the long-term strategic plan of TUKE and the faculty.

(6) The office of the dean shall cease to exist:

- a) upon expiration of the term of office,
- b) by resignation; the office of dean shall cease on the date of delivery of the written notice of resignation to the Rector, unless a later date is specified in the notice,
- a) by removal from office; the office of dean shall cease on the date specified in the removal from office,
- b) upon the entry into force of a judgment by which they have been convicted of a deliberate criminal offence or by which an unconditional prison sentence has been imposed,
- c) the restriction of their legal capacity,
- d) death or declaration of death.

(7) The dean shall submit a draft budget of the faculty to the academic senate of the faculty for approval.

(8) The dean shall be represented by vice-deans to the extent determined by the dean. Vice-deans shall be appointed and removed by the dean after discussion with the academic senate of the faculty. The term of office of vice-deans shall be four years.

(9) The dean shall perform legal acts in labour relations for TUKE employees working at the faculty to the extent and under the conditions specified in this Statute (Article 42(2)(a) of this Statute).

Article 34

Disciplinary Board of the Faculty

(1) The Disciplinary Board of the Faculty shall hear disciplinary offences committed by students enrolled in a study programme at the Faculty and submit a proposal for a decision to the Dean.

(2) The members of the Disciplinary Board of the Faculty and its Chairman shall be appointed by the Dean from among the members of the Faculty's academic community after approval by the Academic Senate of the Faculty; half of the members of the Board shall be students.

(3) The activities of the Disciplinary Board of the Faculty shall be governed by the Rules of Procedure of the TUKE Disciplinary Board.

Article 35

Scientific or scientific and artistic council of the faculty

(1) The members of the scientific or scientific and artistic council of the faculty shall be appointed and removed by the dean with the consent of the Academic Senate of the Faculty. The term of office of the members of the scientific or scientific and artistic council shall be four years.

(2) The members of the scientific or scientific and artistic council of the faculty shall be distinguished experts in the fields in which the faculty conducts educational, research, development, artistic or other creative activities. At least one quarter and no more than one third of the members of the scientific or scientific and artistic council of the faculty shall be persons who are not members of the academic community of TUKE.

(3) The dean shall be the chairman of the scientific or scientific and artistic council of the Faculty.

Article 36

Competence of the scientific or artistic council of the faculty

(1) The Scientific or Artistic Council of the Faculty

- a) discusses the long-term strategic plan of the Faculty prepared in accordance with the long-term strategic plan of TUKE,
- b) approves, on the proposal of the Dean, the internal regulations pursuant to Article 39(2)(f) of this Statute, after discussion by the Academic Senate of the Faculty,
- c) at least once a year, evaluates the level of the Faculty in educational activities and in the field of science, technology or arts,
- d) approves other experts who have the right to sit for state examinations for study programmes delivered at the Faculty (Article 63(3) of the Act); approves supervisors for doctoral studies pursuant to Article 54(4) of the Act,
- e) discusses and submits to the TUKE Scientific Council the criteria for obtaining the title of associate professor and the criteria for obtaining the title of professor,
- f) discusses and decides on proposals for the award of the title of associate professor,
- g) discusses proposals for the appointment of professors and submits them to the TUKE Scientific Council,
- h) discusses and submits to the TUKE Scientific Council the general criteria for the posts of professors and associate professors at the Faculty,
- i) discusses and submits to the TUKE Scientific Council the specific conditions of the selection procedure for the posts of professors at the Faculty,
- j) approves the rules of procedure of the Scientific Council of the Faculty on the proposal of the Chairman of the Scientific Council of the Faculty,
- k) carries out other tasks determined by the internal regulations of TUKE or the Faculty.

(2) The Scientific or Artistic Council of the Faculty shall discuss issues submitted to it by the Chairman of the Scientific or Artistic Council of the Faculty.

Article 37

Secretary

(1) The Secretary of the Faculty shall be the body, which ensures and is responsible for the economic and administrative management of the Faculty. They shall directly manage the departments established by the organisational regulations of the Faculty. They shall be directly subordinate to the Dean.

(2) The status of the Secretary shall be established by the organisational regulations of the Faculty as an internal regulation of the Faculty pursuant to Article 39(2)(b) of this Statute.

Article 38

Senior staff of the faculty

(1) The senior employees of the Faculty are the Secretary of the Faculty and individual heads of pedagogical, research, development or artistic, economic-administrative and information departments and special-purpose facilities of the Faculty.

(2) The positions of senior employees of the Faculty shall be filled through a selection procedure. The method of selection procedure for the positions of senior employees of the Faculty shall be determined by the TUKE Staff Regulations.

(3) The Secretary of the Faculty shall ensure and be responsible for the economic and administrative operation of the Faculty. They shall be directly subordinate to the Dean.

Article 39

Internal regulations of the faculty

(1) The internal regulations of the Faculty shall regulate the matters of the Faculty, which fall within its self-governing competence.

(2) The Faculty shall issue the following internal regulations:

- a) statute of the faculty,
- b) organisational regulations of the faculty,
- c) principles of faculty academic senate elections,
- d) rules of procedure of the academic senate of the faculty,
- e) rules of procedure of the scientific council of the faculty,
- f) disciplinary rules of the faculty,
- g) rules of procedure of the disciplinary board of the faculty,
- h) other regulations, if specified in the statute of the faculty.

Article 40

Number and organisational structure of posts at TUKE

(1) The number and organisational structure of posts at TUKE, with the exception of posts at the faculties of TUKE, shall be approved by the AS TUKE on the proposal of the Rector.

(2) The number of posts at the Faculty of TUKE shall be approved by the Academic Senate of the Faculty on the proposal of the Dean of the Faculty pursuant to Article 29(2)(c) of this Statute. Within the faculty, changes consisting in an increase in the number of posts by 5% may be made without an increase in the subsidy allocated to the Faculty for the respective calendar year. Changes consisting in a reduction in the number of posts in order to ensure the efficiency of work are within the competence of the deans of the faculties, and they are obliged to inform the Rector of TUKE in advance of such changes.

(3) The organisational structure of posts at the Faculty of TUKE is a part of the organisational regulations of the Faculty of TUKE and includes in particular the number of departments at the Faculty, the number and structure of all posts within individual faculties.

Article 41

Faculties of TUKE

(1) The faculties of TUKE are the basic organisational units of TUKE. Their status is regulated by Article 22 of the Act.

(2) The following faculties operate at TUKE:

- a) Faculty of Mining, Ecology, Process Control and Geotechnologies (hereinafter referred to as 'FBERG'),
- b) Faculty of Materials, Metallurgy and Recycling (hereinafter referred to as 'FMMR'),
- c) Faculty of Mechanical Engineering (hereinafter referred to as 'SjF'),
- d) Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Informatics (hereinafter referred to as 'FEI'),
- e) Faculty of Civil Engineering (hereinafter referred to as 'SvF'),
- f) Faculty of Economics (hereinafter referred to as 'EkF'),
- g) Faculty of Manufacturing Technologies based in Prešov (hereinafter referred to as 'FVT'),
- h) Faculty of Arts (hereinafter referred to as 'FU'),
- i) Faculty of Aeronautics (hereinafter referred to as 'LF')

(3) The dean shall be the representative of the faculty. The dean shall manage, represent and act in the affairs of the faculty. The dean shall be accountable for their activities to the Academic Senate of the Faculty. The dean shall be responsible to the Rector for their activities in matters in which they act on behalf of TUKE (Article 29 and Article 42 of this Statute), for the management of the faculty and for other activities to the extent determined by the internal regulations of TUKE. Unless otherwise provided by law, this Statute or the Statute of the Faculty, the Dean of the Faculty shall have final authority in the affairs of the Faculty.

(4) The Dean is in an employment relationship with TUKE, assigned to the respective faculty, which they manage. Termination of the employment related to the performance of the dean's office shall be conditional upon the prior termination of the dean's office (Article 33(5) of this Statute).

(5) The affairs of the Faculty that fall within its self-governing competence and the relationship of the Faculty to TUKE are regulated by this Statute.

Article 42

Scope of self-governing competence and rights of the faculties of TUKE

(1) The academic self-government bodies of the faculties of TUKE shall have the right to decide and act on behalf of TUKE in matters falling within the self-government competence of TUKE pursuant to Article 29 of this Statute.

(2) The self-governing competence of the Faculty further includes:

- a) the conclusion, modification and termination of employment relationships of TUKE employees whose place of work agreed in the employment contract or in the agreement on work performed outside the employment relationship shall

- be or is the faculty. The appointment decree for the post of professor is awarded by the Rector of TUKE on the basis of the results of the selection procedure at the faculty on the proposal of the dean of the faculty.
- b) the Faculty shall carry out entrepreneurial activities, including the conclusion, amendment and cancellation of contractual relations relating to entrepreneurial activities, the handling of funds allocated for such activities and the handling of funds obtained from such activities within the meaning of Article 40(4) of this Statute. A contract exceeding a performance volume of €33 200 may be concluded by the Faculty in the context of entrepreneurial activity only with the consent of the Rector,
 - c) determining the number and structure of the number of staff positions at the Faculty; an increase in the number of staff exceeding 5% compared to the approved structure of the faculties of TUKE shall be decided by the Rector after approval by the Board of the Rector of TUKE and in accordance with the long-term strategic plan of TUKE; a proposal to reduce the number of staff positions in order to ensure the efficiency of work shall be within the competence of the deans of the faculties, on which they are obliged to inform the Rector of TUKE in advance,
 - d) determination of the number of admitted applicants for studies; an increase in the number of admitted applicants of more than 5% compared to the previous academic year is decided by the Rector after approval by the Board of the Rector of TUKE and in accordance with the long-term strategic plan of TUKE,
 - e) the implementation of the Faculty's cooperation with other universities and their departments, legal entities and natural persons, including those from abroad, in the areas in which the Faculty operates, including the conclusion, amendment and cancellation of contractual relations related to this area of the Faculty's activities, the management of funds allocated for this activity and the management of funds obtained from this activity,
 - f) the internal organisation of the Faculty (Article 26(5) of the Statute),
 - g) the organisation of studies in accordance with the Study Rules and Regulations of TUKE and the study rules and regulations of the faculty,
 - h) determining the focus and organising research, development, artistic or other creative activities at the faculty,
 - i) appointing the academic self-government bodies of the faculty,
 - j) management of financial resources allocated to the Faculty by the University and of financial resources otherwise obtained by the Faculty for the performance of its tasks, all in accordance with the applicable law on public procurement.

Article 43

TUKE Rectorate

TUKE Rectorate (hereinafter referred to as 'R TUKE') is an economic and administrative department of TUKE with executive function. It prepares documents for the meetings and decision-making of the academic bodies and senior staff of TUKE and ensures their implementation. The organisation, scope and management of R TUKE and its relationship to other departments of TUKE are specified in the Organisational Regulations of R TUKE.

Article 44

Student dormitories and canteens

SD&C are a special-purpose facility of TUKE, which provides meals and accommodation for students (Article 98 of the Act). The organisation, scope and management of the SD&C and their relationship to other TUKE departments are specified in the Organisational Regulations of the SD&C. The legal status and powers of the SD&C shall be subject to the provisions of Article 42(2)(a) to (c), (f) and (j) of this Statute

Article 45

Departments with university-wide competence

(1) Departments of TUKE with university-wide competence pursuant to Article 26(1)(d) of this Statute are:

- a) Institute of Computer Technology (hereinafter referred to as 'ÚVT'),
- b) University Library (hereinafter referred to as 'UK'),
- c) Institute of Languages, Social Sciences and Academic Sports (hereinafter referred to as 'ÚJSŠ')

(2) The primary mission of the ÚVT is to perform tasks related to the use of computer technology at TUKE in connection with the faculty computing nodes and specialised departments focused on computer technology. The organisation, scope and management of the ÚVT and its relationship to other TUKE departments is determined by the Organisational Regulations of the ÚVT.

(3) UK is an information department of TUKE (Article 21 of the Act). Its status and role are regulated by Act No. 126/2015 Coll. on Libraries and on amendments and supplements to Act No. 206/2009 Coll. on Museums and Galleries and on the Protection of Objects of Cultural Value and on Amendments to the Act of the Slovak National Council No. 372/1990 Coll. on Misdemeanours, as amended by Act No. 38/2014 Coll.). The organisation, scope and management of the UK and its relationship to other departments of TUKE is specified in the Organisational Regulations of the UK.

(4) ÚJSŠ is a pedagogical department of TUKE, the aim of which is to provide education of TUKE students in the field of languages, social sciences, sports and to provide further/continuing education for TUKE students and employees.

Article 46

Other departments with a university-wide competence

(1) Other departments with a university-wide competence, whose activities are generally supported by special-purpose subsidies and resources from their own activities (Article 25(1)(e) of this Statute), are:

- a) Access Centre,
- b) Centre for social and psychological support,
- c) third-age interest study/university of the third age,
- d) University Centre for Innovation, Technology Transfer and Protection of Intellectual Property,
- e) advanced visualisation centre,
- f) centre for research on the efficiency of the integration of combined renewable energy systems,
- g) competence centre for knowledge-based technologies for innovation of production systems in industry and services,
- h) University Science Park TECHNICOM.

Article 47

Principles of employment relationship

(1) The principles of employment relationships at TUKE are regulated by Act No.552/2003 Coll. on the performance of public work, as amended, Act No.311/2001 Coll. the Labour Code, as amended, and Act No.131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education and on Amendments and Supplements to Certain Acts, as amended.

(2) A more detailed definition of the rights and obligations of a TUKE employee and TUKE as an employer is specified in the TUKE Staff Regulations. The TUKE Staff Regulations shall be approved by the AS TUKE on the proposal of the Rector after prior consent of the relevant trade union body.

(3) The conditions for remuneration of employees in the performance of work in the public interest who are employees of TUKE are determined by the Internal Remuneration Regulations of TUKE. The Internal Remuneration Regulation of TUKE shall be issued by the Rector after discussion with the relevant trade union body.

(4) In matters of employment relationships carried out at the Faculty, the faculties shall decide and act on behalf of TUKE in accordance with Articles 29 and 42 of this Statute.

SECTION FIVE

STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF TUKE

Article 48

Students of TUKE

(1) The status of a student of TUKE (hereinafter referred to as 'student') is defined in Articles 69 to 71 of the Act. The procedure for a misconduct of a student is provided for in Article 72 of the Act and in the TUKE Disciplinary Regulations.

(2) Decision-making in matters relating to the academic rights and obligations of a student is the responsibility of the faculty or university at which the student is enrolled for studies under the study programme carried out at the faculty or TUKE.

(3) An applicant admitted to study pursuant to Article 6 of this Statute becomes a student of TUKE from the date of enrolment to study; a student whose studies have been suspended becomes a student of TUKE from the date of re-enrolment to study. A student shall cease to be a student of TUKE on the date of termination of studies pursuant to Article 65(1) and in other cases provided for in Article 66 of the Act. A student shall cease to be a student of TUKE even during the period of interruption of studies.

(4) Students are in administrative-legal relations with the faculty at which they were enrolled for studies.

(5) The interests of students at TUKE are represented by the student section of AS TUKE.

(6) TUKE maintains a register of TUKE students, which it administers and operates. TUKE shall provide data to the central register of students, the administrator and operator of which is the Ministry of Education, within the time limits specified by the Ministry of Education.

Article 49

Rights and duties of TUKE students

(1) A student of TUKE has the right to exercise and the obligation to comply with academic freedoms and academic rights on the TUKE campus pursuant to Article 4 of the Act.

(2) The exercise of academic freedoms and academic rights pursuant to (1) of this Article shall be in accordance with the internal regulations of TUKE and the faculty, if the student is enrolled in a study programme conducted at the faculty, as well as with the principle of equal treatment (Article 55 (2) of the Act).

(3) In particular, students have the following rights:

- a) rights of a student under Article 70 of the Act,
- b) right to be represented in the Student Council for Higher Education, in the AS of TUKE and of the Faculty,
- c) right to apply for studies at other faculties and higher education institutions within the framework of their studies, including those abroad,

- d) right to use the facilities of TUKE and the faculty in accordance with the rules determined by TUKE and the respective faculty,
- e) the right to exercise the privileges of a top athlete of TUKE within the meaning of the top athlete statute approved by the AS TUKE on the basis of the Rector's proposal,
- f) the right to benefit from forms of the social support system (Article 4 and Articles 94 to 101 of the Act), if they meet the conditions specified for their provision; these services are covered by subsidies from the state budget and, as far as possible, from TUKE's and the faculties' own resources.

(4) For exemplary performance of duties or for exceptional results exceeding the scope of duties, a student may be awarded a commendation, honourable mention or a merit scholarship on the proposal of the Dean or the Vice-Rector of TUKE.

(5) TUKE and its faculties:

- a) provide, within the limits of their possibilities, scholarships to students from their own resources under the conditions set out in the TUKE Scholarship Regulations,
- b) create conditions for students to learn languages, to participate in physical education and sport and to participate in cultural activities,
- c) create conditions for students for mobility within TUKE, within universities in the Slovak Republic and abroad.

(6) The student is obliged to:

- a) comply with the legal regulations, internal regulations of TUKE and internal regulations of the faculty where the study programme for which they are enrolled is carried out,
- b) fulfil the study obligations arising from the study programme for which they are enrolled,
- c) fulfil their obligations under Article 71 of the Act.

(7) A culpable violation of obligations by a student is a disciplinary offence within the meaning of Article 72 of the Act; a disciplinary offence is dealt with by the Disciplinary Board of TUKE or the respective faculty in accordance with the Disciplinary Rules of TUKE.

Article 50

Admission to study

(1) Admission to study of accredited study programmes at TUKE and its faculties shall be governed by the provisions of Articles 55 to 58a of the Act.

(2) The conditions of admission to studies and the admission procedure at TUKE are specified in Annex 1 to this Statute.

Article 51

Social support for TUKE students

(1) Social support for TUKE students shall be provided in direct and indirect forms pursuant to Article 94 of the Act.

(2) If a student has used the services of the social support system for a purpose other than that for which they are intended, or if they have used them in spite of not being entitled to them, or if they have otherwise misused this support, they commit a disciplinary offence.

(3) Students are awarded scholarships according to the rules set out in the TUKE Scholarship Regulations. The Scholarship Regulations are issued by the Rector after approval by the AS TUKE as an internal regulation of TUKE.

(4) TUKE shall, within its capabilities, provide accommodation for students and contribute to the costs associated with it. The conditions of accommodation allocation are regulated by the TUKE Accommodation Rules.

(5) TUKE provides meals and accommodation for students in its own special-purpose facilities (Article 98 of the Act). TUKE is granted funds from the state budget for the payment of contributions for meals and accommodation of students within the framework of the subsidy for social support of students (Article 89(2) and (8) of the Act).

(6) TUKE shall, to the best of its abilities, create conditions, support sports, and cultural activities of students. As a rule, the contributions provided by TUKE are covered by the state budget within the framework of the subsidy for social support of students (Article 89(2) and (8) and Article 99 of the Act).

(7) TUKE may grant loans to its students from the scholarship fund. The purpose of student loans is to contribute to the costs of study and to meet social needs.

Article 52

Employees of TUKE

(1) TUKE employs university teachers, researchers, artists and other employees.

(2) If the termination of employment of an employee of TUKE is immediately followed by the establishment of a new employment relationship with TUKE, for the purposes of the Higher Education Act it shall constitute a single employment relationship.

(3) A university teacher, researcher and artistic worker may have no more than three employment relationships with universities located or operating in the territory of the Slovak Republic, concluded for the performance of the work of a university teacher, researcher and artistic worker, whereby in no more than one of them may perform work within the established weekly working hours. Violation of this obligation is further regulated by the TUKE Staff Regulations.

(4) University teachers of TUKE hold the posts of professor, visiting professor, associate professor, assistant professor, assistant and lector. With the exception of lectors, TUKE university teachers shall actively participate in research, development or artistic activities.

(5) The work activity of TUKE university teachers holding the posts of professor, associate professor, assistant professor, assistant and lector is defined in Article 75 of the Act. A more detailed description of the activities of employees in the aforementioned positions is given in their job description.

(6) The conditions for obtaining the scientific-pedagogical or artistic-pedagogical titles 'associate professor' and 'professor' are specified in Article 76 of the Act, in a generally binding legal regulation of the Ministry of Education and in the TUKE Criteria for obtaining the scientific-pedagogical titles 'associate professor' and 'professor'.

(7) The filling of positions of university teachers, researchers and the filling of posts of university teachers at TUKE shall be carried out through a selection procedure in accordance with Article 77 of the Act and in accordance with the 'Principles of the selection procedure for university teacher positions, researcher positions, positions of professors and associate professors, and positions of senior staff at the Technical University of Košice (Principles of selection procedure)'.

(8) Without a selection procedure for the position of university teacher, the rector or the dean may, for a maximum period of one year

- a) recruit an employee to a part-time employment relationship; or
- b) conclude agreements on work performed outside the employment relationship.

(10) Research staff and artistic staff of TUKE perform tasks in science, technology or art. Generally, they also participate in the educational activities of TUKE.

(11) Employees of TUKE are obliged to comply with the TUKE Staff Regulations.

(12) Legitimate claims arising from employment relations of TUKE employees beyond the scope established by the relevant law are enshrined in the collective agreement at the level of TUKE.

SECTION SIX ECONOMIC SECURITY AND MANAGEMENT OF TUKE

Article 53

Economic security

(1) TUKE operates on the basis of multi-source financing. The decisive source of TUKE's funding is a subsidy from the state budget, which is provided by the Ministry of Education based on a subsidy agreement with the University. Other sources of funding are proceeds from tuition fees, admission fees, business activities, donations and other sources (Annex 2 of this Statute).

(2) With the approval of the AS TUKE and the GB TUKE, TUKE may also use loans from banks as a source of financing for research and development activities and for financing capital expenditures under the conditions set out in Article 16(7) to (9) of the Act.

(3) TUKE is the owner of the property pursuant to Article 112 of the Act. The property owned by TUKE shall be used for the performance of tasks in the field of education, research, development, artistic and other creative activities. It shall also be used for TUKE's business activities in accordance with the internal regulations governing the area of business activities and under the conditions specified in Article 18 of the Act. The property of TUKE is also used for the provision of services to students and employees within the framework of social support and in the cases provided for in the collective agreement for the relevant year.

(3) The Rector submits the proposal for the state subsidy allocation among the TUKE units to the GB TUKE for approval after it has been approved by the AS TUKE.

Article 54

Management rules

(1) The management of TUKE shall be governed by law, other generally binding regulations and internal regulations of TUKE.

(2) TUKE shall draw up its budget for the calendar year as a balanced budget.

(3) University units shall manage independently the allocated funds from the state subsidy, from other sources, as well as the funds obtained by their own activities.

(4) The rules for conducting business activities and the structure of distribution of income from business activities within TUKE, as part of the TUKE budget, shall be approved by the TUKE Governing Board on the Rector's proposal after prior approval by the AS TUKE.

(5) TUKE keeps double-entry accounting on the basis of the accounting chart for non-profit organisations providing public utility services.

Article 55

Management control

(1) The AS TUKE shall control the observance of the budget and the use of allocated funds of the University as a whole, the academic senates of the faculties shall carry out this control at their faculties.

(2) Periodic and unscheduled on-site financial audits shall be carried out by the Inspection and Complaints Office on the orders of the Rector.

(3) Basic financial control pursuant to Art. 357/2015 Coll. on financial control and audit and the related internal regulation of TUKE, shall be performed by senior employees of all organisational units of TUKE and by employees authorised by them who are responsible for budget, procurement, asset management or other professional activities according to the nature of the financial operation or its part.

SECTION SEVEN

TUKE CEREMONIES

Article 56

Academic insignia

(1) The external expression of the authority and responsibility of the academic officials of TUKE and its faculties are the academic insignia.

(2) The academic insignia of TUKE include:

- a) the historical Rector's chain of 1952 with the national emblem of the then Czechoslovak Republic, the emblems of the three founding faculties and the inscription 'College of Technology in Košice 1952',
- b) a gold-plated Rector's chain of the College of Technology with the national emblem of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, the emblem of the city of Košice with the name 'College of Technology in Košice' and the Rector's staff (sceptre) with the emblems of the faculties,
- c) a gold-plated Rector's chain with the national emblem of the Slovak Republic, with the name 'Technical University of Košice',
- d) historical Rector's staff (sceptre) with the national emblem of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and symbols of the emblems of the three founding faculties,
- e) the Rector's staff (sceptre) with the symbols of the faculties,
- f) deans' chains, vice-rectors' chains and vice-deans' chains.

(3) The academic insignia of the faculties include the gold-plated chain of the dean with the emblem of the faculty and the vice-deans' chains.

(4) The manner of use of academic insignia shall be determined by the Rector.

Article 57

Academic gowns

(1) Gowns are ceremonial garments the appearance of which varies according to function. On ceremonial occasions designated by the Rector, the Rector and other academic officials of TUKE and the faculties, as well as the chairpersons of the academic senates of the faculties and TUKE, or distinguished guests of TUKE and members of the academic community of TUKE, as decided by the Rector, shall be obliged to wear gowns.

(2) The Rector shall determine the manner of use of the gowns.

Article 58

Inauguration of Rector

(1) The inauguration is the ceremonial induction of the Rector into office.

(2) The inauguration of the Rector after being appointed by the President of the Republic shall take place at a solemn assembly of the academic community of TUKE.

(3) At the inauguration, the Rector takes a solemn oath in the hands of the President of AS TUKE, the text of which is specified in the internal regulations of TUKE.

(4) After taking the solemn oath, the outgoing Rector usually presents the Rector's chain to the incoming Rector as a symbol of their authority and responsibility.

Article 59

Matriculation and graduation ceremonies

(1) Matriculation ceremonies for students of bachelor's, and, where appropriate, master's, and doctoral study programmes shall be held at TUKE or at the faculty, depending on where the relevant study programme is being conducted.

(2) Matriculation ceremonies are held in the presence of academic officials of the faculties and, usually, the Rector (or the Vice-Rector authorised by the Rector).

(3) The text of the matriculation oath is specified in the internal act of the TUKE management.

(4) Graduation ceremonies for graduates of master's and doctoral study programmes as well as graduates of third-age interest studies are held in the presence of the Rector (or the Vice-Rector authorised by them), the academic officials of the faculties and the graduation college.

(5) Graduation ceremonies for graduates of bachelor's study programmes shall be held in the presence of academic officials of the faculties and the graduation college.

(6) The text of the graduation oath shall be specified in the internal act of TUKE management.

Article 60

Medals of TUKE

(1) TUKE shall award its employees, students and other persons who have contributed to the development of TUKE, science, education and academic freedoms with the TUKE Great Medal and medals with three grades: gold, silver and bronze. On significant anniversaries of the University, TUKE usually also awards a commemorative medal, which has only one grade, and a commemorative coin.

(2) Medals of TUKE are awarded by the Rector.

(3) The Rector issues the guidelines for the awarding of TUKE medals after approval by AS TUKE.

(4) The documentation of TUKE medals and diplomas issued with them is stored in the TUKE Registry Centre.

(5) The Rector of TUKE may, on the proposal of the Dean or the Vice-Rector of TUKE, award a medal or diploma of TUKE to those students who have made a significant contribution to the representation of TUKE, especially in the professional, cultural and sporting areas.

SECTION EIGHT

COMMON, TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 61

Use of state symbols at TUKE

(1) The use of the state symbols of the Slovak Republic is regulated by Act no. 63/1993 Coll. on the State Symbols of the Slovak Republic and their Use, as amended.

(2) Documents, seals and round stamps with the national emblem of the Slovak Republic and the inscription 'Technical University of Kosice' shall be used only in the case of certification of documents of education (certificate, diploma, diploma supplement). In other cases, stamps with the university logo and the inscription 'Technical University of Košice' are used. Details on the use of stamps are regulated by the TUKE Registry Regulation.

(3) The seal of TUKE is used by TUKE and its faculties to mark ceremonial diplomas issued when awarding honorary doctorates of TUKE and medals of TUKE. Guidelines for the use of the seal shall be established by the Rector.

(4) The documentation of TUKE insignia, gowns and the seal of TUKE is kept in the TUKE Registry Centre.

Article 62

Logo and flag of the university

(1) The Technical University of Košice and its faculties have their own logos, which they use to designate their persons, the activities they conduct and the events they organise. The logo of TUKE is protected as an object of intellectual property of TUKE. The modification of the logo, logotypes of TUKE, its faculties, as well as their use, is regulated by the internal regulation TUKE Design Manual.

(2) TUKE uses its flag as well as the flag of the European Union on ceremonial occasions and for the flag decoration of the main building. Details on the use of flags shall be regulated by the internal regulations of TUKE.

(3) The national flag and the national emblem of the Slovak Republic may be used to decorate the rooms of TUKE and the faculties intended for ceremonial assemblies and rooms used for state examinations.

Article 63

Annexes and internal regulations of TUKE

(1) The Statute of the Technical University of Košice is the basic normative-legal, organisational and management regulation of the Technical University of Košice.

(2) The following annexes are part of the TUKE Statute:

- a) TUKE Regulation of the Admission Procedure (Annex no. 1),
- b) TUKE Management Rules (Annex no. 2).

(3) Internal regulations of TUKE pursuant to Article 15 (1) (a-l) of the Act are:

- a) Statute of TUKE,
- b) Internal Quality Assurance System of Higher Education at TUKE,
- c) TUKE Study Rules and Regulations,
- d) Principles of the selection procedure for university teacher positions, researcher positions, posts of professors and associate professors, and positions of senior employee at the Technical University of Košice (Principles of selection procedure),

- e) TUKE Staff Regulations,
- f) TUKE Organisational regulations,
- g) Principles of the Election of a Candidate for the Rector of TUKE and the Acceptance of a Proposal for the Removal of the Rector of TUKE,
- h) Principles of TUKE Academic Senate Elections,
- i) Rules of Procedure of TUKE Academic Senate,
- j) Rules of Procedure of TUKE Scientific Council,
- k) TUKE Scholarship Regulations,
- l) Disciplinary Rules of TUKE for Students,
- m) Rules of Procedure of TUKE Disciplinary Board.

(4) Internal regulations of TUKE pursuant to Article 15 (1) (m) of the Act are:

- a) Principles of Awarding the Honorary Title 'Doctor Honoris Causa' at TUKE,
- b) Principles of Awarding the Honorary Title 'Professor Emeritus' at TUKE,
- c) Principles of Organization, Evaluation, and Completion of Doctoral Study and Principles of Establishing Subject Committees of Doctoral Study at TUKE,
- d) Solemn oaths taken at TUKE,
- e) Accommodation Rules of the SD&C TUKE,
- f) Statute of the TUKE Governing Board,
- g) Statute of TUKE Accreditation Committee,
- h) Rules of Procedure of TUKE Accreditation Committee,
- i) Rules and procedures for the invalidation of state examination or part thereof, withdrawal of the scientific-pedagogical title or the artistic-pedagogical title of associate professor, the proposal for the removal of a professor and the renunciation of an academic title at TUKE.

(5) TUKE issues other internal regulations governing the pedagogical, research and business activities of TUKE, as well as economic and administrative operation of TUKE, all in accordance with the legislation governing the subject area.

Article 64

Transitional and final provisions

(1) The TUKE Statute, its amendments and supplements shall be subject to approval by AS TUKE and shall enter into force on the date of registration by the Ministry of Education, and become effective on the date of entry into force of the decision on their registration by the Ministry of Education.

(2) The TUKE Statute of 03 October 2008 as amended by its thirteen amendments is hereby repealed.

(3) The faculties shall align their internal regulations with this Statute by 31 December 2022 at the latest.

(4) This TUKE Statute with its two annexes was approved by AS TUKE on 30 May 2002, resolution number 21/2022.

Košice 20.06.2022

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Annex no. 1 to the Statute of the Technical University of Košice

**REGULATION OF THE ADMISSION PROCEDURE
OF THE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF KOŠICE**

**Part one
Basic provisions**

**Article 1
Basic provisions**

(1) This Regulation of the Admission Procedure of the Technical University of Košice (hereinafter referred to as the 'Regulation') in accordance with Articles 55-58a of the Act No. 131/2002 Coll. on Higher Education and on the Change and Supplement to Some Acts as amended (hereinafter referred to as the 'Act'), determines the conditions and the course of admission to accredited Bachelor's, Master's, and doctoral study programmes carried out at faculties or at the level of the Technical University of Košice (hereinafter referred to as 'TUCE').

(2) For the purposes of this Regulation, the phrases 'Rector or Dean' and 'TUCE or faculty' mean: terms Rector and TUKE refer to study programmes carried out at TUKE, and terms Dean and faculty refer to study programmes carried out at TUKE faculties.

**Part two
Conditions for admission to study**

**Article 2
Basic conditions for admission to study**

(1) Every person has a right to study accredited study programmes provided by individual faculties or the university if they meet the basic conditions for admission to study pursuant to Article 56 of the Act, other conditions in accordance with Article 57 (1) of the Act proposed by the Dean or Rector and approved by the academic senate of the relevant faculty or AS TUKE, the conditions specified in the agreement on cooperation of higher education institutions in providing a joint study programme pursuant to Article 54a (2) of the Act, and the conditions in accordance with Article 58a (4) of the Act. In the case of persons who have been granted asylum, subsidiary protection or temporary refuge, the condition under Article 56 (1) of the Act may be demonstrated by a declaration and a general academic aptitude test. The faculties are responsible for conducting the general academic aptitude test.

(2) The basic condition for admission to the study of Bachelor's study programmes (first level of university study within the meaning of Article 52 of the Act) is the acquisition of a full secondary or a full secondary vocational education.

(3) The basic condition for admission to the study of Master's study programmes (second level of university study within the meaning of Article 53 (1) of the Act) is higher education of the first or second level, while the sum of the number of credits awarded for the previous higher education and the number of credits required for duly completion of the second-level study programme for which the applicant applies must be at least 300 credits.

(4) The basic condition for admission to the study of doctoral study programmes (third level of university study within the meaning of Article 54 of the Act) is a second-level higher education.

(5) For applicants for study who have obtained the required education abroad, the condition for admission to the study is the recognition of diploma/degree certificate or equivalent in accordance with general binding rules issued by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic (hereinafter referred to as the "Ministry of Education").

(6) The condition for admission of an applicant to the study is the submission of a written or electronic application for study in a published manner.

**Article 3
Additional conditions for admission**

(1) In connection with specific requirements for knowledge, abilities, skills, or talent for inclusion in certain study programmes, the faculty or TUKE may set additional conditions for admission to study.

(2) Other conditions and requirements for study (paragraph 1) may be verified by an entrance examination, which is a part of the admission procedure.

(3) Other conditions for admission to study are published in advance, usually together with the announcement of the admission procedure.

(4) The admission procedure for doctoral studies always includes the entrance examination.

(5) If the verification of study abilities includes an entrance examination, for an applicant with specific needs, at his/her request, and based on the evaluation of his/her specific needs by the TUKE Access Centre in cooperation with the faculty coordinator for students with specific needs, the form of the entrance examination and the method of its evaluation shall be determined considering his/her specific needs.

Article 4

Announcement of the admission procedure and publication of the conditions for admission

(1) The conditions for admission to the study of accredited Bachelor's, Master's, and doctoral study programmes carried out at TUKE/faculty are announced by the Rector or Dean after prior approval by the Academic Senate of TUKE (hereinafter "AS TUKE") or the academic senate of the faculty.

(2) The conditions of admission to the study of Bachelor's, Master's, and doctoral study programmes cannot be changed after their announcement and are valid for the stated academic year.

(3) The deadline for submission of applications for the study of Bachelor's, Master's, and doctoral study programmes shall be announced by the Rector or the Dean who announced the admission procedure.

(4) TUKE or the faculty shall publish the following on the official notice board of TUKE or the faculty, and at least on the website of TUKE or the faculty:

- a) deadline for submitting applications for study,
- b) number of applicants he/she intends to admit to the study of the relevant study programme,
- c) basic conditions for admission to the study pursuant to Article 56 of the Act,
- d) other conditions of admission pursuant to Article 57 (1) of the Act,
- e) date and method of verifying of meeting the conditions,
- f) the form and general content of the entrance examination, and the method of evaluating its results if the entrance examination is a part of the verification of study abilities,
- g) tuition fees and fees related to study.

(5) TUKE or the faculty, if the study programme is carried out at the faculty, shall publish the information referred to in paragraph 1 no later than two months before the last day set for submission of applications.

(6) The admission procedure for the study of doctoral study programmes has the character of a selection procedure. The announcement of the admission procedure, its organisation, and course are regulated in the 'Principles of organization, evaluation, and completion of doctoral study and principles of establishing subject committees of doctoral study at the Technical University of Košice', which are part of internal regulations of TUKE.

Part three

Admission procedure

Article 5

Submitting applications

(1) Applications for the study of individual study programmes shall be submitted within the set deadline and at the place specified in the statement on the commencement of the admission procedure (Article 4 of this Regulation).

(2) The application for the study of all study programmes has an electronic form signed without an advanced electronic signature, using an information system that allows the applicant to verify its registration in the information system from the date of its submission to the end of the admission procedure. In the application, the applicant is obliged to state the data required in Article 58 (3) of the Act, while it is not possible to submit an application without providing all data. Applicants may also submit a written application on a form prescribed by the Ministry of Education, as well as through an electronic mailbox set up by the Central Public Administration Portal (CPAP).

(3) In the case of an applicant with specific needs, to evaluate his/her specific needs and the scope of assistance needed within the admission procedure, he/she submits the following documents with their application for study:

- a) a medical certificate not older than 3 months, consisting of medical findings, a report on the course and development of the disease and disability, or an extract from medical records, or
- b) a statement of a psychologist, speech therapist, school psychologist, school speech therapist or special pedagogue.

The evaluation of the specific needs of the applicant will be provided by the TUKE Access Centre in cooperation with the coordinator for students with specific needs at the relevant faculty and will determine the form of the entrance examination and the method of its evaluation considering the specific needs of the applicant.

(4) An applicant who does not prove meeting basic requirements for admission to study at the time of verification of meeting the conditions required for admission may be admitted to study under the condition that he/she proves meeting the basic conditions for admission to the study no later than on the day designated for enrolment to study.

(5) Incomplete or late applications for study will not be accepted.

(6) An applicant for a Bachelor's or Master's study may, in accordance with the instructions of a specific faculty, state in one application one study programme, but a maximum of three study programmes, carried out at this faculty.

(7) An applicant for the simultaneous study of two or more study programmes must submit a separate application for each of them.

(8) In the case of doctoral study programmes, all applications for study must be separate.

Article 6

Course of admission procedure

(1) The admission procedure begins with the delivery of the study application to the relevant faculty or to TUKE. Submitted and accepted applications for the study of individual study programmes are processed at faculties or at TUKE level. The scope and purpose of the provided personal data of the applicant is covered by Article 58 (3-5) and Article 73 (3-11) of the Act.

(2) The Rector or the Dean shall decide on the establishment of at least one Admission Committee for the relevant bachelor or master study programmes, appoints the members of the committee (committees), and sets the agenda for their meetings. If the Rector or the Dean decides to create several committees, he also determines the scope of their competence.

(3) The members of the Admission Committee for the study of doctoral study programmes and its Chair shall be appointed by the Rector or the Dean on the proposal of the Chair of the Field Study Committee after discussion in this committee. The Admission Committee has at least three members. The Committee is quorate in the presence of more than half of all its members.

(4) If the admission procedure also includes the entrance examination pursuant to Part three of this Regulation, the applicant

a) must be invited to that entrance examination no later than two weeks before the entrance examination by registered letter, while the invitation must state the time, day, and place of the entrance examination or part thereof, or

b) must be informed, by registered letter no later than two weeks before the examination takes place of the date, time, and place of the entrance examination or part thereof, as well as of the manner in which he/she will be informed of the fact that he/she may not have to take the entrance exam or part thereof.

(5) The faculty or TUKE is not responsible for non-delivery of the invitation due to shortcomings and errors in the postal transport. However, when proven, the Rector or the Dean may set an alternative date for the entrance examination for the applicant.

Article 7

Entrance examination for the study of doctoral study programmes

(1) The objective of the admission procedure is to determine qualifications of the applicant for the study of a doctoral study programme for independent creative activity in the field of science and technology or independent theoretical and creative activity in the field of art, as well as to determine the appropriate level of professional knowledge of the applicant. These qualifications are determined by an entrance examination.

(2) A report shall be drawn up on the course of the admission procedure, which may be a part of the study application form, or as a separate report/record, including the following particulars:

- a) name, surname, date of birth, and residence of the applicant,
- b) name of the study programme,
- c) names of member of the Examination Committee, and the name of its Chair,
- d) the topic of the dissertation thesis or the thematic area of this thesis,
- e) name of supervisor,
- f) the course of the written part of the entrance examination – questions and evaluation of the applicant's answers,
- g) evaluation of the oral part of the professional entrance examination,
- h) level of language skills,
- i) result of the entrance examination, and the recommendation of the Committee,
- j) date of examination, and signatures of the Committee members.

(3) The Committee shall draw up the order of candidates in case:

- a) of a larger number of applicants for the study of one study programme,
- b) of a larger number of applicants for the study of one topic,
- c) the number of admitted applicants is limited by the number of applicants approved by the Dean of the faculty, or the Rector.

(4) Evaluation of language skills is just informative, and this part of admission procedure can be separated from the professional examination. Language proficiency assessors do not have to be appointed as members of the Committee.

Article 8

Entrance examination for the study of Bachelor's and Master's study programmes

(1) The entrance examination may have a written, oral and talent test part. The form of the entrance examination, i.e., one of these parts or a combination thereof, shall be determined for the relevant study programme by the Rector or the Dean in accordance with the conditions pursuant to Article 4 of this Regulation.

(2) The written part of the entrance examination takes place from a maximum of three subjects or thematic areas, or their groups. The subjects of the written part of the entrance examination for the relevant study programme shall be determined by the Rector or the Dean in accordance with the conditions announced pursuant to Article 4 of this Regulation.

(3) The oral part of the entrance examination has the character of an interview. It can be connected with the submission of the student's assignments. The oral part of the entrance examination for the study of the relevant study

programme may be waived in advance by the Rector or the Dean within the announcement conditions for admission in accordance with the conditions specified in Article 4 of this regulation.

(4) The talent part of the entrance examination verifies presented talent, skills, and qualifications of the applicant for study in the relevant study programme. The Rector or the Dean shall decide on entrance examination within the announcement of conditions for admission pursuant to Article 4 of this Regulation.

(5) All parts of the entrance examination are usually held on the same day, or in a maximum of two days.

(6) The date of all parts of the entrance examination for the study is announced, in accordance with the conditions specified in Article 4 of this regulation, by the Rector or the Dean

(7) An applicant who has met the basic conditions for admission to study and who has achieved study results at secondary school, which are in the given intervals specified in the conditions for admission announced by the Rector or the Dean pursuant to Article 4 of this Regulation, may not have to take the entrance exam (or a part thereof) for the relevant study programme.

(8) The criteria for the waiver of the entrance examination or a part thereof shall be determined by the Rector or the Dean within the announcement of the conditions for admission to study pursuant to Article 4 (1) of this Regulation.

(9) The Rector or the Dean may, in justified cases, in accordance with the conditions specified in Article 4 of this regulation, set an alternative date for the entrance examination, which is intended for justified applicants.

(10) The entrance examination in the substitute date takes place in accordance with Article 8 (1-8) of this Regulation.

(11) The oral part of the entrance examination takes place in front of a committee, which has at least three members and is composed of university teachers and researchers of the faculty or the Rectorate of TUKE. The members of Admission Committee are appointed in accordance with the conditions specified in Article 4 of this regulation by the Rector or the Dean.

(12) The Admission Committee shall draw up a report on the course of the entrance examination, which must contain the following particulars:

- a) name of the study programme to which the applicant applies,
- b) members of the Admission Committee,
- c) a record of the completion of the written part of the examination with the date on which the written part took place, names of the subjects, or thematic areas or their group from which it took place, and its result (expressed by a grade or the number of points achieved),
- d) a record of the oral part of the entrance examination, indicating the date on which the oral examination took place; if the oral examination is graded, a grade or score shall also be given,
- e) a record of the performance of talent test, indicating the date on which the talent test took place; if the talent test is graded, a grade or score shall also be given,
- f) date and signature of the Chair or Vice-Chair of the relevant Admission Committee.

This protocol may be part of the study application form.

(13) An applicant who does not participate in the entire entrance examination does not meet the conditions for admission to study.

Article 9

Completion of admission procedure

(1) The admission procedure for the study of accredited Bachelor's and Master's study programmes ends, in accordance with the conditions specified in Article 4 of this regulation, on the day of issuing the decision of the Rector or the Dean on the admission or non-admission of the applicant to the study programme.

(2) Lists of applicants who have and have not been admitted for Bachelor's and Master's study programmes are published on official notice boards or on the faculty websites, or at the level of TUKE, within five days after the Rector or the Dean decides on admission or non-admission of applicants in accordance with the conditions specified in Article 4 of this regulation. The lists of admitted and not admitted applicants do not contain their name and surname but are coded using a suitably chosen numeric code.

(3) The faculty or TUKE shall prepare a written decision on the result of the admission procedure in the case of Bachelor's and Master's study programmes within 30 days of verification of meeting the conditions for admission to study.

(4) Applicants shall be informed in writing on the results of the admission procedure for the study of doctoral study programmes within 30 days of verification of meeting the conditions for admission to study. The Rector or the Dean decides on the admission of an applicant for the study of a doctoral study programme based on the results of the entrance examination, and the recommendation of the Admission Committee. The decision on admission to doctoral studies must state the topic of the dissertation thesis and the full name of the supervisor.

Part four
Decision on the outcome of the admission procedure

Article 10
Copy of the decision

(1) The Dean decides on admission to the study of an accredited study programme carried out at the faculty. The Rector decides on admission to the study of an accredited study programme carried out by TUKE. The decision on the outcome of the admission procedure of applicants is recorded in the protocol/record on the outcome of the admission procedure, which contains the list and order of applicants. This record contains the relevant decision on the outcome of the admission procedure, the date, and signature of the Dean or Rector.

(2) In addition to the protocol/record on the outcome of the admission procedure pursuant to paragraph 1, TUKE or the faculty shall prepare a written decision containing:

- a) name, surname, and exact address of the applicant,
- b) name of the faculty or university carrying out the study programme, and the name of the study programme,
- c) statement on admission or non-admission (on the outcome of the admission procedure),
- d) justification of the decision,
- e) instructions on the possibility and deadlines for submitting an appeal for review of the decision,
- f) name of the Dean or Rector.

(3) It must be clear from the justification of the decision not to admit the applicant, why the applicant was not admitted, i.e., whether he did not meet the conditions for admission in accordance with Articles 2-4 of this Regulation, or whether he fulfilled the conditions for the admission, but preference was given to applicants with better results of entrance examinations, or due to the limited number of admitted applicants.

(4) The decision must also contain:

- a) an indication of which authority issued it,
- b) date of issuance of the decision,
- c) number of the record/file under which the decision is registered at the faculty or TUKE,
- d) official stamp of the faculty or TUKE,
- e) signature of the Dean or Rector or their authorised representative.

(5) The Rector/Dean of the faculty may issue a decision on conditional admission to an applicant who does not prove meeting the basic conditions for admission to study in accordance with Article 56 of the Act at the time of verification of meeting the conditions for admission. If the student does not prove meeting the basic conditions for admission to study by the day designated for enrolment, the decision on conditional admission to study expires. If the student proves meeting the basic conditions for admission to the study no later than on the day designated for enrolment, the Rector/Dean will issue a decision on admission to the study of the chosen study programme.

(6) TUKE shall send the decision on the outcome of the admission procedure to the applicant by registered mail with a form for acknowledgment no later than within 30 days from the verification of meeting the conditions of admission to study. If the applicant has an electronic mailbox, the decision is sent via the CPAP.

(7) The faculty or TUKE has the right to request information from the admitted applicants on whether they will enrol in their study. If the applicant does not show interest in the study or does not provide information within the specified time to the person who issued the decision on his/her admission, whether he/she will enrol in the study, he/she loses the right to enrol in the study programme. Subsequently, the faculty or TUKE will annul the decision by which the next applicant in order, based on the results of the admission procedure, was not admitted to the study, and issue a new decision on his/her admission to study.

Article 11
Inspection of records and their storage

(1) On the basis of a written request, the applicant has the right to inspect all materials concerning him/her and that may be relevant for the decision on his/her admission or non-admission to study, especially the checked and evaluated written works, and the protocol of the entrance examination.

(2) The term inspection of materials means reading them and making notes from them in the designated premises of the faculty or TUKE in the presence of an authorised employee, usually a member of the Admission Committee. Making copies of materials is not permitted.

(3) TUKE shall store the documentation of the admission procedure, the documentation on enrolment in the study, on enrolment in the part of the study, transcript of study results, copies of documents on graduation and documentation of decision-making on academic rights and obligations of students for 25 years from the day of completion of studies.

Article 12
Review of the decision on the outcome of the admission procedure

(1) The review of the decision on the outcome of the admission procedure is regulated by Article 58 (8) of the Act. The Rector or the Dean may set up a working committee to process requests for review of non-admission decisions.

(2) The applicant shall request the review of the decision by the authority that issued the decision in writing, no later than within eight days from the date of its delivery.

(3) In the appeal for review of the decision on non-admission, the applicant shall state his/her name, residence, the name of the relevant study programme, the faculty and brief reason for his/her appeal or reasons for disagreement with the decision, and a handwritten signature.

(4) Incomplete or late appeals for review of the decision on non-admission will not be accepted.

(5) If the body, within the meaning of paragraph 2, is the Dean, he may comply with the appeal if he/she finds that the decision was issued in violation of the law, internal regulations of TUKE or the faculty, or other conditions set pursuant to Article 3 of this Regulation. Otherwise, he/she forwards the appeal to the Rector. The Rector shall amend the decision if it was issued in violation of the law, internal regulations of TUKE, or other conditions set pursuant to Article 3 of this Regulation. Otherwise, he/she shall reject the appeal and confirm the original decision.

(6) If the body within the meaning of paragraph 2 is the Rector, he may comply with the appeal if he/she finds that the decision was issued in violation of the law, internal regulations of TUKE, or other conditions set pursuant to Article 3 of this Regulation. Otherwise, he/she will forward the appeal to AS TUKE. AS TUKE shall change the decision if it was issued in violation of the law, internal regulation of TUKE or other conditions set in Article 3 of this Regulation. Otherwise, it will reject the appeal and confirm the original decision.

(7) The response to the applicant for review of the decision must be sent within 30 days from the delivery of the appeal for review of the decision.

(8) The reply to the applicant on the result of the review of the decision shall be made in writing and shall contain:

- a) result of the review of the decision,
- b) justification for the decision,
- c) an indication of which authority issued it,
- d) date of issue,
- e) the reference number under which the review of the decision is registered at TUKE or the faculty,
- f) official stamp of TUKE or the faculty,
- g) signature of the Rector or the Dean or their authorised representative.

Article 13

Admission as a student and a member of the academia

(1) On the day of the enrolment, the admitted applicant becomes a student and a member of the TUKE academia, and at the same time a member of the academia of the faculty, if the study programme for which he was accepted is carried out at the faculty.

(2) Enrolment for the study of Bachelor's or Master's study programme may be connected with a matriculation ceremony, where students take the matriculation pledge.

(3) The right of an applicant for enrolment in studies expires if he/she answers the question of TUKE or its faculty whether he/she enrolls in studies negatively or does not answer within the specified deadline. The right for enrolment of an applicant who has been admitted to study conditionally expires if he/she does not prove meeting the basic conditions for admission by the day designated for enrolment.

Article 14

Admission to study within academic mobility

(1) Pursuant to Article 58a of the Act, TUKE may also admit a student of another higher education institution, including a higher education institution located outside the Slovak Republic for a part of study, usually for one semester, without admission procedure in accordance with the exchange programme or based on a contract between TUKE and student's home university.

(2) A student admitted to study pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Article has the rights and obligations of a TUKE student, considering the conditions of the exchange programme or agreement between TUKE and student's home university.

(3) TUKE shall issue a confirmation that he/she is a student and state the period during which his/her studies are to last to a student admitted pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Article. TUKE will also issue a student card to the student.

(4) Pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Article, TUKE may admit only a student of another higher education institution who will continue his/her studies at another higher education institution with his/her study at TUKE and will return and finish his/her studies at the home higher education institution after the study stay at TUKE. The student is obliged to submit documents proving the course of his/her studies at the home higher education institution.

(5) A student admitted to study pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Article shall not be considered in the number of students pursuant to Article 55 (7) and Article 89 (4) of the Act.

(6) Paragraphs 1-5 of this Article shall not apply to TUKE students who, during their studies at another higher education institution, within the framework of academic mobility, complete only some courses in the relevant part of the academic year, and complete other courses in the relevant academic year at TUKE.

Article 15

Further and continuous education

- (1) Further and continuous education shall be governed by the provisions of this Regulation as appropriate.
- (2) In the case of education provided by TUKE or the faculty based on specific agreements, the organisation, course, and evaluation of further education shall be governed by the relevant agreement.

Part five

Common, transitional, and final provisions

Article 16

Service of documents

(1) The decision of the Rector or the Dean on the outcome of the admission procedure must be delivered to the applicant by registered mail with a form for acknowledgment. Service to an applicant whose whereabouts are unknown is done by posting the decision on the official notice board of the faculty for 15 days. The last day of this period is considered the day of delivery.

(2) Service of other decisions related to study is regulated by Article 26 of the TUKE Study Rules and Regulations.

Article 17

Transitional and final provisions

(1) The organisation and course of doctoral studies are regulated in more detail by the 'Principles of organization, evaluation, and completion of doctoral study and principles of establishing subject committees of doctoral study at the Technical University of Košice', which are internal regulation of TUKE.

Annex no. 2 to the Statute of the Technical University of Košice

**MANAGEMENT RULES
OF THE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF KOŠICE**

Article 1

General provisions

(1) Technical University of Košice (hereinafter referred to as 'TUKE') is governed in the field of management by general legal regulations, the Act, and the resulting internal regulations, which include:

- a) Statute of the University, part of which are these Management Rules,
- b) internal remuneration regulations,
- c) scholarship regulations.

(2) In addition, TUKE is governed in the area of management by other internal regulations, which are directives, decisions, measures and organisational directives of the Rector, decisions, organisational directives and methodological instructions of the Bursar issued within the framework of the quality management system (hereinafter referred to as 'QMS') at TUKE. University departments may also issue their own internal regulations, but these must comply with the applicable legal university-wide internal regulations.

(3) TUKE is governed in the area of management of the allocated state budget subsidy by contracts on the provision of state subsidies, which it concludes with the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic (hereinafter referred to as the 'Ministry of Education'), and which determine their purpose, method of use and the accounting for them.

Article 2

Management

(1) TUKE shall operate on the principles of multi-source financing. TUKE has the following sources of funds/revenues:

- a) subsidies from the state budget provided by the ministry for the implementation of accredited study programmes, for research, development or artistic activities, for the development of TUKE and for the social support of students, which constitute the main source of TUKE's funding,
- b) income from further education,
- c) income from property and intellectual property,
- d) income from the main activities of TUKE,
- e) income from business activities carried out in accordance with the law,
- f) tuition fees, fees related to studies and admissions,
- g) donations,
- e) other income.

(2) TUKE may, with the consent of AS TUKE and GB TUKE, also use loans from banks as a source of financing for research and development activities and for financing capital expenditures under the conditions set out in Article 16(7) to (9) of the Act.

(3) The amount of the subsidy shall be determined and provided to TUKE by the ministry based on a subsidy agreement in accordance with published rules, which shall be refined annually and discussed by the representatives of higher education institutions.

(4) TUKE, as a public higher education institution managing predominantly state funds, is obliged to act economically and use the provided funds efficiently in accordance with the subsidy agreement.

(5) The Rector shall be responsible to the Minister for the efficient and effective use of the subsidy, for its settlement with the state budget and for the proper management of the property of TUKE.

(6) All units of TUKE are obliged to use the property for the performance of tasks in educational, scientific, research, development, artistic or other creative activities. In accordance with the law, they may also use it for entrepreneurial activities and for the provision of services to students and employees of TUKE under the conditions of Article 18 and Article 94(3) of the Act.

(7) All units of TUKE are obliged to keep proper records of the property and to follow the relevant legal and internal regulations when disposing of it. The method of acquisition of property, its registration and further disposal shall be regulated by a special internal regulation approved by AS TUKE.

Article 3

Accounting

(1) TUKE shall keep double-entry accounting in accordance with Act no. 431/2002 Coll. on Accounting as amended using the accounting chart for non-profit organisations providing public utility services.

(2) TUKE shall keep accounts as a single accounting unit divided into individual units.

(3) The accounting shall separately account for the main activities and business activities.

(4) At the end of the calendar year, TUKE prepares annual financial statements, which include an accounting of the results of management. The annual accounts of TUKE shall be audited by an auditor at least once every 4 years.

**Article 4
Budget of TUKE**

(1) TUKE shall draw up a budget for the financial support of its main and business activities, consisting of income and expenses in accordance with Article 16 of the Act. Income and expenses from business activities are part of the budget of TUKE (Article 16(1) of the Act).

(2) The TUKE subsidy account shall hold the revenues and expenses:

- a) all investment and non-investment subsidies from the ministry,
- b) domestic grants (projects) from the ministry and grant agencies.

(3) The current account shall record revenue and expenses:

- a) from tuition fees,
- b) from fees related to studies,
- c) from donations,
- d) income from foundations and non-investment funds,
- e) from pooled funds,
- f) loans from banks,
- g) from student accommodation and meals,
- h) from staff accommodation and meals,
- i) from the sale of property and intellectual property,
- j) from grants from foundations and legal entities,
- k) from international grants, unless the provider maintains a separate account,
- l) other revenues from the state budget, state funds, budgets of municipalities and higher regional bodies.

(4) The business activity account shall hold all revenues and expenses from this activity.

(5) The social fund account holds the obligatory formation of the social fund, the amount and use of which are agreed in the TUKE collective agreement.

(6) When selling tangible fixed assets and intangible fixed assets, TUKE is obliged to transfer all funds from their sale to a separate bank account of TUKE maintained in the State Treasury. The funds from the sale of these assets may be used by TUKE only for the purpose and to the extent determined by the GB TUKE.

(7) Distribution of profit or settlement of loss of TUKE for the previous calendar year may be made only after the approval of the TUKE Annual Management Report, and not later than by the end of the current calendar year.

**Article 5
TUKE Funds**

(1) TUKE shall form primarily the following funds:

- a) a reserve fund,
- b) a reproduction fund,
- c) a scholarship fund,
- d) a fund to support the studies of students with specific needs,
- e) other funds according to special regulations.

(2) The funds of TUKE (except for the funds referred to in subsection 1(e) of this Article) shall be created from the positive total result of TUKE's management (hereinafter referred to as "profit") and the proceeds thereof and from the funds received for the creation of the reproduction fund, the scholarship fund and the fund for the support of studies of students with specific needs. Designated cash donations and designated legacies shall be used in accordance with their intended use. The total economic result of TUKE is the sum of the economic result of the main activity and the economic result of the business activity after tax.

(3) TUKE shall establish a reserve fund, which shall be formed from the proceeds of:

- a) distribution of profits for the preceding calendar year in the amount of at least 40%,
- b) donated funds,
- c) inheritance.

(4) The reserve fund shall be used to cover losses for the current year or to cover losses from previous years. If TUKE does not show a loss from the previous year or from previous periods, it may use funds from the reserve fund to supplement other TUKE funds. In addition, they may be used for:

- a) payment of penalties for violations of generally binding regulations,
- b) pooling funds for the performance of the tasks for which TUKE was established.

(5) TUKE shall establish a reproduction fund, which shall be formed from the proceeds of:

- a) distribution of the economic result (profit) for the preceding calendar year after the allocation to the reserve fund has been determined,
- b) donated funds,

- c) inheritance,
- d) allocations from the reserve fund.
- e) depreciation of tangible fixed assets and intangible fixed assets according to the depreciation schedule, except for assets acquired from subsidies allocated for the acquisition of tangible fixed assets,
- f) from the residual value of tangible fixed assets and intangible fixed assets on their physical liquidation, except for assets acquired from subsidies allocated for the acquisition of tangible fixed assets,
- g) from the residual value of sold tangible fixed assets and intangible fixed assets, except for assets acquired from subsidies allocated for the acquisition of tangible fixed assets,
- h) the difference between the proceeds from the sale of tangible and intangible fixed assets and the sum of the residual value and the costs incurred in connection with the sale, in the case of a sale for a price higher than the sum of the residual value of the assets sold and the costs incurred in connection with the sale,
- i) from funds from other entities pursuant to pooling agreements entered into for the acquisition of tangible and intangible fixed assets.

(6) The resources of the reproduction fund may be used for:

- a) financing the acquisition of tangible fixed assets and intangible fixed assets, including their technical improvement,
- b) the provision of funds pursuant to concluded pooling agreements for the acquisition of tangible fixed assets and intangible fixed assets,
- c) the repayment of loans taken out to finance the acquisition of tangible fixed assets and intangible fixed assets or their technical improvement.

(7) TUKE shall establish a scholarship fund, which shall be formed from the proceeds of:

- a) distribution of the economic result (profit) for the previous year after the allocation to the reserve fund has been determined,
- b) from the income from business activities for the previous calendar year,
- c) donations,
- d) inheritance,
- e) the part of the student social support subsidy allocated to social scholarships, merit scholarships and pregnancy scholarships,
- f) part of the proceeds of tuition fees (Article 92(20) of the Act),
- g) allocations from the reserve fund.

(8) The scholarship fund may be used to provide:

- a) social scholarships to students from part of the subsidy for social support of students,
- b) scholarships to students in accordance with the TUKE Scholarship Regulations,
- c) loans to students.

(9) TUKE establishes a fund for the support of studies of students with specific needs, which may be used for the financial provision of adequate conditions for the studies of students with specific needs with regard to their specific needs.

(10) The distribution of the profits of TUKE shall take place after the approval of the TUKE Annual Management Report for the preceding calendar year in the AS TUKE and in the GB TUKE, no later than by the end of the current calendar year.

Article 6

Business activities

(1) TUKE in accordance with the Act (Article 18) may carry out entrepreneurial activities, within the framework of which it carries out, for remuneration, activities related to its educational, research, development, artistic or other creative activities or activities serving for a more efficient use of human resources and property. Business activities also include expert activities, which TUKE carries out based on authorisations from the competent authorities.

(2) Business activities shall not jeopardise the quality, scope and availability of the activities for which TUKE was established as a public higher education institution.

(3) The expenses of business activities must be covered by the income from them. The manner of conducting business activities at TUKE shall be regulated by a special internal regulation approved by AS TUKE.

Article 7

Financing of special-purpose facilities

TUKE finances the expenses of its special-purpose facilities, which are the Herľany teaching and training facility, employee accommodation, facilities for the education of students and employees, libraries, gymnasiums, sports clubs and cultural facilities, insofar as they bring together and serve the students and employees of TUKE.

Article 8

Provision of food allowances

(1) In its own canteens, TUKE shall provide its employees with one main meal a day.

(2) In the event of remoteness of the workplace, TUKE shall allow employees to eat in the canteens of other higher education institutions or in contractual catering establishments in the form of meal vouchers.

(3) TUKE contributes up to 55% of the meal allowance to employees in accordance with the applicable regulations.

(4) TUKE contributes to students' meals by an amount determined by the ministry.

Article 9

Management of faculties and other units of TUKE

(1) Faculties and other units of TUKE shall be governed by the provisions of these management rules and by their own rules, which shall be in accordance with the law, applicable legislation and the internal regulations of TUKE.

(2) Faculties and units of TUKE shall draw up a budget for their own use for the calendar year, which must be balanced.

(3) The accounts of the management results of the faculties and units of TUKE are the content of the annual management report for the respective year.

(4) The deans of the faculties and the heads of other TUKE units are responsible to the Rector for the results of management, compliance with purposefulness and financial discipline and for the disposal of property.

(5) The distribution of funds for the faculties and other TUKE units (budget of TUKE) shall be approved by AS TUKE prior to discussion and approval in GB TUKE. After the budget is approved, the state budget subsidy is allocated to the individual units of TUKE, including binding indicators and other conditions of financial management in accordance with the Contract on the provision of the state budget subsidy through the budget of the Ministry of Education for the respective year.