

# **S t a t u t e s**

## **of the SAS International Prize**

The Presidium of the Slovak Academy of Sciences (hereinafter only "SAS")

**inaugurated the SAS International Prize in 1996.**

The SAS International Prize shall be awarded to foreign nationals in recognition of a particular appreciation of an outstanding work which bears relation to Slovakia

- a) in the field of social sciences, humanities, arts and culture;
- b) in the field of natural sciences;
- c) in the field of technical sciences.

### **Article 1**

#### **Principal Provisions**

1. The Prize shall be awarded by the Scientific Council of the SAS once a year, on the Slovak Republic Constitution Day (September 1).
2. The Prize shall be awarded consecutively in the fields specified under letters a) – c) above.
3. The Prize includes a diploma and a financial premium; the amount of the financial reward shall be annually determined by the SAS Presidium.

### **Article 2**

#### **Awards Procedure**

1. The nomination for the Prize shall be submitted to the SAS Scientific Council by a panel of International Prize Jury upon proposals put forward by institutions or individuals engaged in the realms of culture, science and technology. The proposals should be forwarded to the secretariat of the SAS Scientific Secretary no later than by March 31 of the calendar year.
2. The nomination for the Prize shall be subject to endorsement by the SAS Scientific Council.

### **Article 3**

#### **Jury**

1. The Jury is an advisory body of the SAS created for the Prize award. Its members are: a chairperson, a secretary, and 7 members appointed by the SAS President upon commendation of the SAS Scientific Council.
2. The Jury shall convene if need arise; it shall announce the nomination for the Prize to the SAS President by April 30 of the calendar year. The session of the Jury shall be convened and chaired by the chairperson. The Jury shall reach a quorum if a two-thirds majority of its members is present. The nomination shall be accepted if approved by majority of the present members of the Jury. In case of equality of votes, the vote of the chairperson shall be decisive. The resolution adopted by the Jury shall be submitted to the SAS Scientific Council in the form of the nomination.
3. The Jury may invite experts to its session or, possibly, require readers' or experts' reviews.

### **Article 4**

#### **The Act of Prize Awarding**

1. The Prize shall be awarded by the chairperson of the SAS Scientific Council, or any of its members authorised by him or her.
2. Expenses connected with awarding the Prize, travelling expenses of the awardee and their stay in the Slovak Republic, as well as operation costs of the Jury, shall be covered from the budget of the Office of the SAS.

### **Article 5**

#### **Closing Provision**

The present Statutes were passed by the SAS Scientific Council, as an internal directive issued at the SAS, on its session on May 27, 2002. They shall come into effect as of the day of its approval. Therefore, the Statutes of SAS International Prize, dated May 25, 1999, are thus null and void.

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President of the SAS