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About Us

The Belgrade Psychoanalytic Society (BPS) has been a component member of the International Psychoanalytic Association (IPA) since 2007. It was established on the foundations of the psychoanalytic tradition in our region laid over a century ago.

The association (hereafter referred to as the Belgrade Psychoanalytic Society) adheres to the standards of professionalism, ethics and education in accordance with the fundamental principles and criteria of the International Psychoanalytic Association.

The Belgrade Psychoanalytic Society is a voluntary, non-governmental and non-profit association of citizens, dedicated to the promotion and advancement of theory, practice, education and research in psychoanalysis, founded on the principles established by Sigmund Freud.

The mission of the Belgrade Psychoanalytic Society is the dissemination of psychoanalytic thought and practice throughout the Republic of Serbia. Our professional activities include training new candidates for psychoanalysts, conducting psychoanalysis as a form of therapy, supporting the scientific progress of psychoanalytic ideas and fostering integration with other related disciplines.

Certain activities of the Belgrade Psychoanalytic Society, including public lectures and workshops, are accessible to the wider professional community and all interested parties.

Statute

The Assembly of the Association "Belgrade Psychoanalytic Society," in accordance with the provisions of Articles 12 and 22 of the Law on Associations ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia" Nos. 51/09, 99/11 – other laws, and 44/18), as well as Articles 14, 15, and 16 of the Association's Statute, at its session held on December 1, 2022, in Belgrade, adopts the amended and supplemented

**STATUTE OF THE ASSOCIATION
"Belgrade Psychoanalytic Society"**

GENERAL PROVISIONS

STATUS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 1

The association “Belgrade Psychoanalytic Society” (hereinafter referred to as the Association) is a voluntary, non-governmental, non-profit organization established for an indefinite period.

The Association holds the status of a legal entity.

GENERAL ACTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 2

The primary general act of the Association is the Statute of the Association.

The bylaws and other general acts of the Association must comply with the Statute of the Association.

FIELD OF ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 3

The Association was established to achieve objectives in the field of psychoanalysis, based on the fundamental principles developed by Sigmund Freud.

OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 4

The objectives of the Association include the development and promotion of theory, practice, education, and research in the field of psychoanalysis, while maintaining professional and ethical standards in accordance with the rules of the Association and the adopted principles and criteria of the International Psychoanalytic Association (IPA).

ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 5

To achieve its objectives, the Association performs the following activities:

1. Monitoring the work of psychoanalysts who are members of the Association.

2. Selection, organization, and supervision of the training of candidates for psychoanalysts.
3. Determining the list of Association members who serve as training analysts within the Association.
4. Monitoring the work of training analysts with candidates for psychoanalysts.
5. Determining the list of trained candidates for psychoanalysts.
6. Organizing scientific meetings within the Association to exchange knowledge, experiences, and enhance the professional identity of psychoanalysts.
7. Planning, conducting, and participating in research on clinical and theoretical aspects of psychoanalysis, both domestically and internationally.
8. Organizing professional meetings, lectures, symposia, seminars, conferences, congresses, and other professional gatherings, independently or in collaboration with other associations, groups, societies, and similar organizations from Serbia and abroad.
9. Collecting scientific and professional literature, data, and other information on psychoanalysis and related disciplines, in Serbia and abroad.
10. Publishing original and translated literature in the fields of psychoanalysis, psychoanalytic psychotherapy, and related areas.

NAME AND HEADQUARTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 1

The full name of the Association is "Београдско психоаналитичко друштво."

The name of the Association in English is: "Belgrade Psychoanalytical Society."

The abbreviated name of the Association in Serbian is "БПД," and in English, it is "BPS."

The Association uses all the above-mentioned names equally in communication.

The headquarters of the Association is located in Belgrade.

AREA OF OPERATIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 2

The Association conducts its activities within the territory of the Republic of Serbia.

SEAL OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 3

The Association has its seal, which is circular, with the inscription along the edge: "Београдско психоаналитичко друштво, Београд" in Serbian Cyrillic and "Belgrade Psychoanalytical Society, Belgrade" in English.

At the center of the seal is a stylized image of a sphinx.

The Association also has a registry seal in a rectangular shape, containing the inscription "Београдско психоаналитичко друштво" and space for entering the date and reference number.

PLAN AND PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 4

The Association carries out its activities in accordance with the annual Plan and Program of Activities.

The implementation of the plans and programs of activities is the responsibility of the Association's governing bodies, in accordance with their competencies as defined by this Statute.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION

Article 5

Membership in the Association is acquired and terminated in accordance with the Statute of the Association.

Any individual with appropriate psychoanalytic qualifications, in accordance with the fundamental principles and criteria of the IPA, may become a member of the Association.

The Association maintains a registry of its members.

GOVERNANCE OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 1

The members of the Association equally participate in its governance, either directly or through their elected representatives in the governing bodies of the Association, in accordance with the Statute of the Association.

RIGHTS OF MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 2

A member of the Association has the right, in accordance with the Statute and other general acts of the Association, to:

1. Participate in the work of the Association.
2. Vote and be elected to the governing bodies and committees of the Association.
3. Propose decisions to be adopted by the Assembly and other bodies and committees of the Association.
4. Receive timely and complete information about the work and activities of the Association.
5. Practice psychoanalysis and psychoanalytic therapy as a member of the Association.

OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 3

A member of the Association is obliged to:

1. Comply with the Statute, Bylaws, and other general and specific acts of the Association.
2. Adhere to the Association's Code of Ethics, established standards of professional conduct, and the fundamental principles and criteria of the IPA.
3. Implement individual decisions of the Association.
4. Perform duties assigned to them by decision of the Assembly or the Executive Board, with their consent, through election to governing bodies and committees of the Association.
5. Pay membership fees regularly, in accordance with the rules of the Association.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION

Article 4

Membership in the Association terminates:

1. By voluntary withdrawal, effective upon the submission of a written statement of withdrawal.
2. By the death of the member, effective at the time of death, as acknowledged by the Assembly at its next meeting.

Membership in the Association may also be terminated by a decision of the Assembly due to:

1. Inactivity in the work of the Association.
2. Conduct that damages the reputation or violates the Code of Ethics of the Association.
3. Actions that are inconsistent with the Statute or other rules of the Association.

4. Failure to implement decisions made by the governing bodies and committees of the Association.
5. Failure to pay or untimely payment of membership fees.

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 5

The person authorized to represent the Association is the President of the Executive Board.

The Executive Board may designate one or more additional individuals authorized to represent the Association.

SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR THE ASSOCIATION

Article 6

The Association is funded through:

1. Membership fees and contributions from members.
2. Donations, grants, legacies, and gifts.
3. Fees for training candidates for psychoanalysts.
4. Participation fees for seminars and lectures on psychoanalysis.
5. Other income resulting from the core activities of achieving the Association's objectives.
6. Other sources.

TRANSPARENCY IN THE WORK OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 1

The work of the Association is public.

The President of the Executive Board is responsible for regularly informing the members and the public about the activities and operations of the Association, either directly, via a notice board at the Association's headquarters, through email, the Association's website, or other appropriate means.

PROCEDURE FOR ADOPTING, AMENDING, AND SUPPLEMENTING THE GENERAL ACTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 2

Decisions on amendments and supplements to the Statute, as well as decisions on the adoption, amendment, and supplementation of other general acts of the Association, are made in accordance with the procedure established by this Statute.

DECISION-MAKING ON STATUS CHANGES AND TERMINATION OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 3

Decisions regarding status changes and the termination of the Association are made and implemented in the manner prescribed by this Statute.

INTERNAL ORGANIZATION OF THE ASSOCIATION

BODIES AND COMMITTEES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 1

The governing bodies of the Association are the Assembly and the Executive Board.

The Association includes the Education Committee, the Training Analysts' Council, and the Ethics Committee. Other bodies or commissions may also be established.

ASSEMBLY OF THE ASSOCIATION

JURISDICTION OF THE ASSEMBLY

Article 2

The Assembly is the highest governing body of the Association.

COMPOSITION OF THE ASSEMBLY

Article 3

The Assembly is composed of all members of the Association.

By participating in the Assembly, members directly manage the Association.

Members of the Association can participate in the Assembly in one of the following ways:

- By attending the session in person
- By authorizing another member of the Association in writing to act on their behalf at the session
- Electronically (via an audio/video Internet platform).

POWERS OF THE ASSEMBLY

Article 4

The Assembly has the following powers:

1. Adopting the Statute of the Association and its amendments
2. Adopting other general acts of the Association
3. Deciding on joining alliances and international organizations
4. Deciding on changing the name of the Association
5. Deciding on changing the headquarters and address of the Association
6. Establishing permanent or temporary bodies of the Association
7. Deciding on status changes within the Association
8. Deciding on the dissolution of the Association
9. Deciding on the transfer of ownership rights over the Association's assets upon its dissolution
10. Electing and dismissing the President and members of the Executive Board
11. Electing and dismissing members of the Education Committee
12. Electing and dismissing members of the Ethics Committee

13. Electing and dismissing members of other bodies and commissions formed by the Assembly
14. Approving the annual report on the Association's activities
15. Approving the Association's annual financial report
16. Reviewing and approving reports from the bodies and committees of the Association
17. Providing guidelines to the Executive Board and other bodies and committees of the Association
18. Deciding on the admission of new members to the Association
19. Deciding on the termination of membership in the Association
20. Deciding on granting or revoking honorary membership status
21. Considering proposals and requests submitted by members of the Association
22. Deciding on appeals against decisions made by the bodies and committees of the Association
23. Delegating decision-making authority to other bodies of the Association for matters under its jurisdiction, as defined by this Statute
24. Making decisions on matters under the jurisdiction of other bodies and committees of the Association
25. Making any other decisions necessary to achieve the Association's objectives.

ASSEMBLY SESSIONS

Article 5

The regular Assembly session is held once a year.

An extraordinary Assembly session is held as needed and must be convened if requested in writing by one-third of the members of the Association.

CONVENING ASSEMBLY SESSIONS

Article 6

Assembly sessions are convened by the President of the Executive Board.

If the President of the Executive Board does not convene an Assembly session, it may be convened by a representative of at least one-third of the members of the Association.

The decision to convene an Assembly session is announced by posting it on the notice board at the Association's headquarters. For regular sessions, the announcement must be made at least two weeks in advance, with notifications sent to all members via mail or email.

Along with the notification of the date, time, location, agenda, and method of the Assembly session, supporting documentation should, if possible, also be provided to members.

CHAIRING ASSEMBLY SESSIONS

Article 7

The Assembly session is chaired by a member of the Association chosen by the members present at the session.

CONDUCTING ASSEMBLY SESSIONS

Article 8

An Assembly session may take place if the majority of the total number of Assembly members are present either in person or electronically (via an audio/video Internet platform).

The chairperson may allow third parties to attend the Assembly session and, if necessary, grant them the floor.

ASSEMBLY SESSION MINUTES

Article 9

Minutes of the Assembly session are recorded and signed by the chairperson and two minute verifiers chosen by the members present.

The signed minutes, along with any annexes (documents reviewed during the session), are submitted by the chairperson to the Association's secretary or another designated person for recordkeeping and archiving.

ASSEMBLY DECISIONS

Article 10

The Assembly makes decisions after discussions and a careful review of the available information, particularly considering the opinions of the Association's bodies and committees.

Decisions are made by a simple majority of the members present at the session.

Decisions regarding the adoption or amendment of the Statute, status changes, termination of membership, or dissolution of the Association require the majority vote of the total number of Association members.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

SCOPE OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 1

The Executive Board is the governing body of the Association between two sessions of the Assembly.

The Executive Board oversees and makes decisions to achieve the Association's objectives, as outlined in this Statute.

COMPOSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 2

The Executive Board consists of three members: the President of the Executive Board and two other members.

TERM OF OFFICE FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Article 3

The term of office for Executive Board members is four years.

Members of the Executive Board may be re-elected to the same position.

PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 4

The President of the Executive Board is the official representative of the Association.

The President is authorized to represent the Association and acts on its behalf with third parties.

The President has the rights and duties of a financial officer.

In carrying out their role, the President must implement all decisions of the Executive Board in accordance with the law, the Statute, and other general acts of the Association.

DELEGATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S AUTHORITY

Article 5

The President's authority or specific powers within the jurisdiction of the Executive Board may be delegated to a designated member of the Board, a member of the Association, or a third party by a decision of the Executive Board.

The Executive Board may authorize a member of the Board, another Association member, or a third party to act as:

1. A representative authorized to act on behalf of the Association.
2. The Association's treasurer, with financial officer rights and duties.
3. The Association's secretary, authorized to represent the Association in the President's absence.

JURISDICTION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 6

The Executive Board has the following powers:

1. Organizes and manages the Association's activities between Assembly sessions.
2. Implements decisions of the Association Assembly.
3. Proposes amendments to the Statute to the Assembly.
4. Proposes structural changes to the Association to the Assembly.

5. Proposes membership in alliances and international organizations to the Assembly.
6. Submits the annual report on the Association's work to the Assembly for adoption.
7. Submits the Association's annual financial report to the Assembly for adoption.
8. Proposes the admission of new members to the Assembly.
9. Proposes the termination of membership to the Assembly.
10. Proposes the granting or revocation of honorary member status to the Assembly.
11. Adopts the Association's annual activity plan and program.
12. Makes decisions regarding the implementation of Association activities.
13. Adopts general acts of the Association, except those under the Assembly's jurisdiction.
14. Appoints and dismisses members of bodies it establishes.
15. Decides on securing funding for the Association's activities.
16. Sets the amount and deadlines for annual membership fees.
17. Decides on paying membership fees to alliances and international associations where the Association is a member.
18. Decides on covering material expenses and fulfilling other financial obligations of the Association.
19. Publishes a list of Association members who serve as training analysts on the noticeboard and the Association's website.
20. Notifies alliances and international associations about members serving as training analysts and the termination of such status.
21. Delegates decision-making powers to other bodies of the Association within its jurisdiction as defined by the Statute.
22. Establishes permanent or temporary bodies of the Association not defined by the Statute.
23. Forms commissions to handle tasks within its jurisdiction.
24. Assigns special responsibilities to individual Association members.
25. Makes all other decisions and conducts activities in accordance with the Statute, regulations, and other acts of the Association.

CONVENING EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Article 7

Executive Board meetings are convened by the President of the Executive Board.

If the President fails to convene a meeting at the suggestion of a Board member, the member may convene the meeting.

Notice of the meeting, including the date, time, location, agenda, and method of attendance, should, if possible, be accompanied by relevant documentation.

CHAIRING EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Article 8

The President chairs meetings they have convened.

Meetings convened by another member are chaired by a Board member elected by those present at the meeting.

CONDUCTING EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Article 9

Meetings may be held if a majority of Board members are present, either in person or electronically (via audio/video Internet platforms).

At the chairperson's invitation, representatives of Association bodies, other members, or third parties may attend and participate in the Board's meetings.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Article 10

Minutes of Executive Board meetings are recorded and signed by the chair and a designated verifier elected by the present members.

The signed minutes, along with annexes (e.g., documents discussed), are submitted by the chair to the Association's secretary or an appointed administrative officer for official records and archiving.

EXECUTIVE BOARD DECISIONS

Article 11

The Executive Board makes decisions after deliberation and careful assessment of available information, particularly opinions from other bodies of the Association.

Decisions are made by a majority vote of the Board members present.

TERMINATION OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS' TERM

Article 12

A Board member's term ends in the following cases:

1. Expiry of term—on the day of expiry; the member continues their role until a replacement is elected.
2. Dismissal by the Assembly due to inefficiency, violations of the Statute or other acts, non-compliance with Assembly decisions or guidelines, or behavior that harms the Association's reputation or breaches its ethical code—effective the day of the decision.
3. Resignation—effective the day a written resignation is submitted.
4. Voluntary withdrawal from membership—effective the day a written statement is submitted.
5. Termination of membership by Assembly decision—effective the day of the decision.
6. Death—effective the date of death.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

SCOPE OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 1

The Education Committee organizes and implements the training of candidates for psychoanalysts.

COMPOSITION OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 2

The Education Committee consists of three members.

The president of the Education Committee is elected and dismissed by the members of the Education Committee.

The president and at least one member of the Education Committee must hold the position of training analyst within the Association.

By a decision of the Education Committee, a member of the committee, a member of the Association, or a third party may be tasked with the role of secretary of the Education Committee.

TERM OF OFFICE FOR MEMBERS OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 3

The term of office for members of the Education Committee is four years.

Members of the Education Committee may be re-elected to this position.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 4

The Education Committee has the following responsibilities:

1. Develops an annual training plan and program for psychoanalysts.
2. Organizes training for candidates for psychoanalysts.
3. Assesses whether applicants meet the criteria for psychoanalyst training.
4. Makes decisions on admitting candidates for psychoanalyst training.
5. Provides the Council of Training Analysts with information about the accepted candidate for assigning a training analyst for their education.
6. Monitors the progress of candidates during psychoanalyst training.
7. Reviews proposals submitted to the Education Committee by training analysts regarding whether a specific candidate has successfully completed their psychoanalyst training.
8. Decides whether a candidate has successfully completed their psychoanalyst training.
9. Submits an initiative to the Executive Board to propose to the Association's Assembly the admission of a candidate, who has successfully completed psychoanalyst training, as a member of the Association.
10. Maintains records of candidates' training for psychoanalysts.
11. Submits reports on candidates' training and their success to the Council of Training Analysts.
12. Establishes commissions to handle tasks within its jurisdiction.
13. Submits an annual report on its work to the Association's Assembly.
14. Performs other tasks related to the training of candidates for psychoanalysts.

CONVENING SESSIONS OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 5

The president of the Education Committee convenes the committee's sessions.

If the president fails to convene a session upon the proposal of a member, that member may convene the session.

Members of the committee, if possible, are provided with documentation accompanying the notification of the date, time, location, agenda, and mode of the session.

CHAIRING THE SESSIONS OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 6

The president of the Education Committee chairs sessions they convene.

For sessions not convened by the president, the chair is selected from among the attending committee members.

HOLDING SESSIONS OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 7

A session of the Education Committee can be held if a majority of the total number of members are present, either physically or electronically (via audio/video internet platform).

Representatives of the Association's organs, members of the Association, candidates for psychoanalysts, or third parties may attend and participate at the chair's invitation.

SESSION MINUTES OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 8

Minutes are taken during sessions, signed by the chair and a verifier selected by attending members.

The signed minutes, along with any discussed documents, are submitted to the secretary of the Association or another administrative officer for recording and archiving.

If sensitive personal data or compromising information about candidates or training analysts is discussed, the minutes and accompanying materials are sealed in an envelope labeled "Do not open, sensitive data" before archiving.

DECISIONS OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 9

The Education Committee makes decisions following discussions and careful assessment of the information, especially opinions from the Association's organs and bodies.

Decisions are made by a majority vote of the members present.

TERMINATION OF OFFICE FOR MEMBERS OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Article 10

A member's term on the Education Committee ends:

1. At the expiration of the term, with the member continuing their function until a successor is elected.
2. By dismissal from the Association's Assembly due to inefficiency, violations of the Statute or other general acts, non-compliance with decisions, or unethical behavior, effective immediately.
3. By resignation, effective upon written notice.
4. By withdrawal from membership in the Association, effective upon written notice.
5. By termination of membership in the Association, effective immediately upon Assembly decision.
6. Upon death, effective on the date of death.

COUNCIL OF TRAINING ANALYSTS

PURPOSE OF THE COUNCIL OF TRAINING ANALYSTS

Article 1.

The Council of Training Analysts oversees the work of training analysts in conducting the education of candidates for psychoanalysis and monitors the implementation of candidate education.

COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL OF TRAINING ANALYSTS

Article 2.

The Council of Training Analysts comprises all members of the Association who hold the position of training analysts, i.e., all members listed as training analysts in the Association's register.

The chairperson of the Council of Training Analysts is elected and may be dismissed by the members of the Council.

The Council may assign a member of the Council, a member of the Association, or a third party to perform the duties of the secretary of the Council of Training Analysts.

DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL OF TRAINING ANALYSTS

Article 3.

The Council of Training Analysts has the following responsibilities:

1. Organizes and coordinates the work of the Association's training analysts in educating psychoanalyst candidates.
2. Assigns specific training analysts to educate particular psychoanalyst candidates.
3. Oversees and evaluates the effectiveness of training analysts in the education process.
4. Harmonizes the practices of training analysts in candidate education.
5. Monitors the work of Association members to assess their eligibility for performing the role of a training analyst.
6. Considers proposals submitted by at least two training analysts that a specific member of the Association meets the requirements to perform the role of a training analyst.
7. Decides whether a specific member of the Association fulfills the criteria to serve as a training analyst.
8. Notifies the Executive Board that a specific member of the Association meets the requirements for the training analyst role and facilitates their inclusion in the list of approved training analysts.
9. Reviews decisions of the Ethics Committee regarding violations of the Association's Code of Ethics or other ethical guidelines by candidates or training analysts.
10. Examines initiatives, submitted by at least two training analysts, to reassess whether a specific member still qualifies to serve as a training analyst.
11. Determines whether a training analyst loses their position, either temporarily or permanently.
12. Notifies the Executive Board about decisions to remove a training analyst from the approved list, either temporarily or permanently, based on final rulings.
13. Maintains records of the involvement of training analysts in psychoanalyst candidate education.
14. Decides on appeals by candidates concerning the actions of training analysts or decisions made by the Education Committee.

15. Forms committees to perform tasks within its jurisdiction.
16. Notifies the Ethics Committee about observed violations of the Association's Code of Ethics.
17. Proposes to the Assembly the adoption or amendment of general acts regulating the education process, criteria for appointing, reevaluating, or removing training analysts, and other related matters.
18. Submits an Annual Report on its activities to the Association Assembly.
19. Performs other tasks related to the roles, work, and education of training analysts and candidates.

CONVENING MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF TRAINING ANALYSTS

Article 4.

The chairperson convenes meetings of the Council.

If the chairperson fails to convene a meeting, at least one-third of the listed training analysts may call the meeting.

The invitation, including the date, time, location, agenda, and any relevant documentation, should be shared with the members where feasible.

CHAIRING MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF TRAINING ANALYSTS

Article 5.

The chairperson presides over meetings they convene.

For meetings convened by one-third of the training analysts, the members present elect a chairperson for that session.

CONDUCTING MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF TRAINING ANALYSTS

Article 6.

A meeting can be held if the majority of listed members are present, either in person or virtually via an audio/video platform.

For appeals against Education Committee decisions or reassessing a member's qualification to serve as a training analyst, a two-thirds quorum of listed members is required.

Representatives of other Association bodies, Association members, candidates appealing Education Committee decisions, or third parties may attend by invitation.

MEETING MINUTES

Article 7.

Minutes are recorded during meetings and signed by the presiding chairperson and two verifiers elected by the members present.

Signed minutes, along with relevant documents, are submitted to the Association's secretary or designated administrator for registration and archival purposes.

If sensitive or compromising information regarding training analysts or candidates is discussed, the minutes and documents are sealed in an envelope labeled "Confidential – Do Not Open," with a brief note about the meeting. This sealed envelope is archived by the secretary or designated administrator.

DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF TRAINING ANALYSTS

Article 8.

Decisions are made following thorough discussion and careful evaluation of available information, including opinions from other Association bodies.

The Council's decisions are determined by a majority vote of those present.

ETHICS COMMITTEE

SCOPE OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Article 1.

The Ethics Committee is responsible for implementing, promoting, and overseeing ethical aspects of psychoanalytic practice and the education of members and candidates of the Association. It conducts procedures and makes decisions in accordance with the Association's Code of Ethics.

COMPOSITION OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Article 2.

The Ethics Committee consists of three members.

The President of the Ethics Committee is elected and dismissed by the members of the Ethics Committee.

The President and at least one member of the Ethics Committee must hold the position of training analyst within the Association.

By decision of the Ethics Committee, a member of the Committee, a member of the Association, or a third party may be tasked with performing the duties of the Committee Secretary.

TERM OF MEMBERS OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Article 3.

The term of office for members of the Ethics Committee is four years.

Members of the Ethics Committee may be re-elected to this position.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Article 4.

The Ethics Committee has the following responsibilities:

1. Supervises and evaluates compliance with the Code of Ethics, other acts of the Association related to ethical conduct, and best ethical practices by Association members and candidates for psychoanalyst positions.
2. Monitors the education of psychoanalyst candidates from an ethical perspective and provides opinions to the Education Committee and the Training Analysts' Council regarding observed unethical practices in the education process.

3. Reviews the alignment of the Association's Code of Ethics and other acts with the IPA Code of Ethics.
4. Proposes to the General Assembly the adoption or amendments of the Association's Code of Ethics and other acts related to ethical conduct.
5. Reviews complaints and other reports suggesting that a member of the Association or a psychoanalyst candidate has violated the Association's Code of Ethics or other acts regarding ethical conduct.
6. Provides opinions on whether a member of the Association or a psychoanalyst candidate has violated the Association's Code of Ethics or related acts.
7. Submits opinions to the General Assembly when a member of the Association has violated the Code of Ethics or other acts, with proposals for measures within the Assembly's competence.
8. Informs the Training Analysts' Council if a training analyst has violated the Association's Code of Ethics or other ethical conduct acts.
9. Maintains records of reported unethical conduct by Association members and decisions made on such reports.
10. Organizes training sessions and consultative gatherings to familiarize Association members with the Code of Ethics, IPA Code of Ethics, examples of best practices, and ethical rules in psychoanalysis.
11. Forms commissions to carry out tasks within its jurisdiction.
12. Submits an Annual Report on its work to the General Assembly.
13. Performs other activities related to ethical conduct.

CONVENING MEETINGS OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Article 5.

Meetings of the Ethics Committee are convened by the President of the Ethics Committee.

If the President of the Ethics Committee does not convene a meeting upon the proposal of a Committee member, that Committee member may convene the meeting.

Notification of the date, time, location, agenda, and format of the meeting, along with supporting documentation where possible, is provided to Committee members.

CHAIRING ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Article 6.

The President of the Ethics Committee chairs meetings they have convened.

Meetings not convened by the President are chaired by a member of the Committee elected by the members present at the meeting.

HOLDING MEETINGS OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Article 7.

A meeting of the Ethics Committee can be held if a majority of its members are present, either in person or electronically (via an audio/video online platform).

At the invitation of the Chair, members of the Association and third parties may attend and participate in the meeting.

MEETING MINUTES OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Article 8.

Minutes are taken during the meetings of the Ethics Committee. The minutes are signed by the meeting Chair and one verifier selected by the members present.

Signed minutes, along with attachments (documents discussed), are submitted by the Chair to the Association Secretary or another designated administrative officer for recording and archiving.

If sensitive personal data or compromising information about members or candidates is discussed, the signed minutes and attachments are sealed in an envelope marked "Do not open, sensitive data." This envelope, along with a brief note on the meeting, is submitted to the Association Secretary for recording and secure archiving.

DECISIONS OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Article 9.

The Ethics Committee makes decisions after discussions and careful evaluation of available information, particularly opinions obtained from Association bodies.

Decisions are made by consensus among members present at the meeting.

TERMINATION OF A MEMBER'S TERM IN THE ETHICS COMMITTEE
Article 10.

A member's term in the Ethics Committee ends:

1. Upon expiration of their term – on the last day of the term, with continued duties until a successor is appointed.
2. By dismissal via General Assembly decision, due to inefficiency, violations of the Association's Statute or acts, failure to comply with Assembly decisions or guidelines, or behavior damaging to the Association's reputation or ethical code – effective on the decision date.
3. By resignation – effective upon submission of a written statement.
4. By withdrawal of membership – effective upon submission of a written statement.
5. By termination of membership per General Assembly decision – effective on the decision date.
6. By death – effective on the date of death.