# ENGLISH VERSION STATUTE OF "HELLENIC SOCIETY OF PHYTIATRY"

#### Article 1

#### Establishment - Name - Location

A scientific non-profit organization called "*Hellenic Society of Phytiatry* is established in Greece. The office of the society set for Athens and address of the office of the current President of the Board.

#### Article 2

A. Goal - The goal of Hellenic Society of Phytiatry is by any scientific means the parallel and balanced promotion of all sciences of *Phytiatry* in Greece. In the sciences of Phytiatry are included the sciences of Plant Pathology with its main subdisciplines: e.g Phytopathological Mycology, Phytopathological Prokaryology, Phytopathological Virology, Postharvest Pathology, Non-Parasitic Diseases, Molecular Plant Pathology, Principles and Methods of Plant Disease Diagnosis and Principles, Methods and tools of controlling plant diseases (chemical, biological and integrated) in cultivated, forest and other plants, the science of *Entomology* with its main individual scientific disciplines namely Morphology, Physiology, Ecology and Systematics, Diagnosis and Treatment Entomological attacks and other Arthropoda in cultivated, ornamental, forest and other plants, insects and other arthropods pest control, productive insects (bee, silkworm, etc.), the science of Nematology and other branches of Agricultural Zoology involved in vertebrate and invertebrate animals of agricultural importance (rodents, other mammals, earthworms, and others), the Weed Science with its main sub-disciplines focused on the study of weeds (identification, biology and physiology), the Competition and allelopathy in the Treatment of Weed (chemical, biological and integrated) and the use of herbicides-phytohormones substances as well as the science of *Phytopharmacology* with its main sub-disciplines focused on the study of bioactivity of Physical and Chemical compounds, the resistance of plant parasites to plant protection products, pesticide residues toxicological and other substances in agricultural products and the environment, the toxicology of plant protection products and the environmental performance of plant protection products (fate and behavior of plant protection products on the

environment, Ecotoxicology).

The *Hellenic Society of Phytiatry* has also been designed to offer its services as adviser to the State on Phytiatric issues and contribute to the ongoing modernization of Greek agriculture (restructuring, competitiveness and quality of agricultural products and foodstuffs, environmental protection and ensuring consumers). Top objective is also to inform the State and the University community about the **importance of development of Phytiatry as an independent science similar to that of Veterinary and Medicine**. This will be achieved by establishing a faculty / department of *Phytiatry* in Greek Universities for the organization of undergraduate and graduate University studies on the various disciplines of modern *Phytiatry*.

B. Fulfillment of the objectives of the society is seeking:

Through a promotion and presentation of arguments to the Ministries of Education and Rural Development and Food and to the University community for the implementation of scientific and educational goals of the *Society*.

Through the organization of National and International Scientific Conferences mainly of Applied *Phytiatry* for the announcement of applied research work.

Through organizing seminars, lectures, scientific demonstrations as a means of lifelong education and information of specialists in applied *Phytiatry*.

Through the promotion of the study *Phytiatric* problems of Greek agriculture and providing recommendations to the relevant competent government departments in the context of conventional, biological and integrated management in agriculture. Through the timely intervention of the *Society* in the daily press or mass media on current issues of *Applied Phytiatry*.

Through the participation of qualified members in visits to various parts of the country for diagnosis and treatment of *Phytiatric* problems of Greek agriculture. By resolving the problem of prescribing pesticides. Publishing scientific leaflets on applied Phytiatry.

Through the development of scientific cooperation among its members as well as with related scientific societies of *Phytiatry* domestic or foreign.

By all legitimate means, which would be deemed appropriate by the members of the General Assembly.

#### **Article 3 MEMBERS**

The members of the Society are divided into regular, associated and honorary.

A. Regular members are graduates of domestic or foreign *universities*, post-graduate degree or doctorate in a science of *Phytiatry*, or those with three consecutive years of work on *Phytiatry* in University laboratories or research or diagnostic institutions of *Phytiatry* that work or have worked mainly and systematically with the study, education and research on issues *Phytiatry*. Full members are also graduates of domestic or foreign *universities*, which were scientific specialized by attending seminars of *Phytiatry* or at least three years dealing with issues of *applied of Phytiatry* in government agencies, private companies or cooperative units marketing *Phytiatric* products and who support the purposes of the *Hellenic Society of Phytiatry*.

B. **Corresponding members** are those who have the relevant qualifications and merits and Greeks living abroad or foreign scientists who are permanently resident abroad. Corresponding member established permanently in Greece is a member. The transition from full membership in the Associate and vice versa is a decision of the General Assembly a proposal of the Board.

C. **Honorary members** are elected individuals living in Greece or abroad, who have being distinguished because of outstanding performance in the sciences *of Phytiatry* or offer valuable services to the scientific work of the Society. The nomination of the honorary members is done by the General Assembly by a majority of at least 2 / 3 of all members of the Board proposal.

D. Honorary President is elected who has excelled in any field *of Phytiatry* the proposal of the Board and approved by the General Assembly by a majority of at least 2/3 of all members.

E. Those who have signed this Statute *of the Hellenic Society of Phytiatry*, are the Society's founders and are automatically members thereof. These constitute the first General Assembly and shall elect the first Board of Directors and the Auditing Committee.

#### **Article 4. MEMBERSHIP**

To register as a member of the association requires an application to the Board accompanied by proposals for two members, stating that the candidate fulfils the rules in Article 3, posses the qualifications and has accepted the statutes and decisions of the General Assembly and he is asking for membership. Moreover he fulfills the Statutory requirements. The Board shall decide within one month of registration of

the applicant or not a member and communicate its decision in writing to the person. If the Board rejects the application, the applicant may apply for registration through the Board to the General Assembly to decide definitively.

## Article 5

**Deleting members** of the Society by the Board of Directors: a) if delays the payment of contributions beyond one year. But if you pay within three months from the end of the year, is entitled to be reregistered. b. If you submit a request for resignation or removal from the society, was deemed to be acceptance by the Board. c) Those who die are removed automatically. d) If there is important reason and decided by the General Assembly, upon proposal of the Board. The aborted State under the terms of the Act within 2 months after being informed of the abortion decision is entitled to appeal to the president of First Instance or if abortion was contrary to the terms of the Constitution or if there were important reasons.

#### **Article 6. REGISTERED MEMBERS**

The Society keeps recorded details of members, ie, name, father's name, address and work phone numbers, email address, date of entry and exit membership.

### **Article 7 RIGHTS OF MEMBERS**

A) The members of the *Hellenic Society of Phytiatry* are entitled to attend General Assembly, to vote on any matter, to elect governing bodies, to submit proposals to the Board and General Meetings and have access to the minutes of the General Assembly and participate in scientific events of the Society.

B) Associated members are entitled to attend the General Assembly without a vote, to submit a signed proposal to the Board and General Meetings and to participate or be informed about the occasional scientific activities of the Society. The communication of scientific communications and operations of the Society or a member thereof to the associated members is mandatory.

#### **Article 8 OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS**

The members of the **Society** are obliged to comply with the statutes of the society and lawfully obtained the Governing Council and the General Assembly and to participate in the events of the Association to achieve this objective. The members and associated members pay for the right record with the admission fee and annual subscription. The amount is set by the General Assembly after a proposal of the Board. The annual subscription paid in advance in May every year.

## Article 9 RESOURCES

The Society's resources originate from subscriptions and membership fees, funds from sales of publications and donations of members and payments to the Society and the revenue from scientific or social events of the Society (meetings, gatherings, etc.)

## Article 10 Judicial and Extrajudicial REPRESENTATION

The President of the Board legally represents the Society before any judicial authority. In case of absence or incapacity of the President the Vice President of the Board replaces him.

### **Article 11 ADMINISTRATION BODIES**

Administration of the Society is as follows: a) the General Assembly of Members b) The seven-member Council and c) the Audit Commission. The services offered by members of the administration are unpaid. Members of the Board are excluded from the Board Administration automatically or by a final judicial decision of his political rights for as long as the deprivation. Members of the Management Company cannot provide this service to pay employees or to enter into this contract involving in any way for earning money for any reason.

## Article 12 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly is the sovereign body and decide: a) approving the activities of the Board as well as approving the accounts and budgets b) amending the statutes c) for the removal of members of the society or register new members, on appeal to it, d) any matter which falls within the competence of other administrative bodies and also for any items that would come to this hearing before the Board or 1 / 3 of the members of the Company and e) elect the members of the Board, the Auditing Committee and alternate members thereof.

The meetings of the General Assembly are scheduled and unscheduled. Meet regularly in the months of March-May each year to approve the financial management of the Board and discuss other matters or conducting elections for if there at the invitation of President of the Board announced that at least 20 days, earlier. The President of the Board following a decision of the Board or the written request of 1 / 3 of the members of the Society and 20 members by request shall convene emergency. The notification shall be notified 15 days in the Assembly and within the time limit is sent to all members. In the final call out the place and time of meeting and matters for discussion are given. The General Assembly is in quorum if at least half the members of the Company entitled to vote are present. If no quorum, the General Assembly meets in the same place the same day and time next week and situated in a quorum of

those paid by regular members in good present. Having established that a quorum at the start of the meeting shall be deemed to exist until end of meeting. Once established a quorum was elected President of the General Assembly and the Secretary thereof, for directing the work of the General Assembly and the inclusion of minutes respectively, which is delivered by the Board of the Register of Members of the Company and the book of minutes of the General Assembly. The decisions of the General Assembly taken by a majority of those present at the time of voting members. The vote is by show of hands, and never by acclamation, in order not to trust issues with the Administration and on removing members of the Society required a secret ballot. In the event of a tie, the vote is repeated above and in the absence of a quorum. The decisions of the General Assembly to be considered taking into account must be entered in the minute's book and signed by the President of the General Assembly and the Secretary. Each member has one vote. Participation in meetings of the General Assembly for members located in Athens must be personal without being allowed to vote by a representative. Members outside Athens may vote by a representative.

#### Article 13 BOARD OF THE SOCIETY

A seven member Board of Directors elected by the General Assembly of the members manages the Society by secret ballot by an absolute majority. With elected members and 3 alternate members. The mandate of the Board for two years and begins in June 1 and ends on May 31 of the second year. The Governing Council within 15 days from election holds the first meeting to elect from among its members the President, Vice President, General Secretary and Treasurer. The election of these is by secret ballot by an absolute majority. In the event of a drawing is taking place.

The Board manages the Society and acting everything conducive to the achievement of objectives. Implements the provisions of this Statute, adopts any appropriation and expenditure to the General Assembly convenes and prepares the items on the agenda. Prepares and submits for approval by the General Assembly within three months from the end of each financial year the balance sheet and stock, prepares the budget for the new financial year and submits it for approval by the General Assembly and reports on the activities at the end of the year. The Board meets mandatory once a month and whenever requested by the President or the 3 members of the 7 members, a quorum present with 4 of its members and decided by the majority except for admitting a new member, so a majority at least 2 / 3 of the members. In a tie, the opinion of the

president is critical. Council member missing three consecutive meetings without justification forfeit his office and be replaced by an alternate. Such replacement shall be waived and a member of the Board should replace him. The minutes of the Board are recorded in a register and practice after ratification at the next meeting signed by members of the Board. At the Annual General Meeting of the Board accountable through the Chair and presented the report of the Auditing Committee in the financial management of the Society. The General Assembly shall elect every two years the new Board as well as three members and two alternate members of the Auditing Committee.

## Article 14 DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF THE SOCIETY

President of the Board of calls and presides over meetings, represent the Society before any authority, signed with the Secretary all documents and money orders, which are countersigned by the Treasurer and calls alternates a hindrance or replacement of resigned members. When the president is unable to act the Vice President replenishes him always.

## Article 15 DUTIES OF SECRETARY-GENERAL

He keeps minutes and maintains an updated register of the Society, conduct the correspondence of the Society, keeps the file, the book of the General Assembly and the seal and signs after the President the documents and orders.

## Article 16 TREASURER RESPONSIBILITIES

He keeps the fund and the accounts of the Society, carries the receipts and payments based on the decisions of the Board shall develop and recommend approval of the budget and balance sheet. Each quarter the Board present at the meeting of the balance sheet in order for it to be taken into account in the course of the financial position of the Company. Required deposit in a recognized Greek Bank in an interest bearing account of the name of The Hellenic Society of Phytiatry the cash is over 500. Responsible for money withdrawal over by the bank is the President or the Treasurer separately after approval and authorization of the Board. The fiscal year coincides with the term of office of the Board.

## Article 17 AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee comprises three members, elected by the General Assembly and states the election of the President and Secretary. The President calls for a meeting with the Secretary of the Society and keep the minute book which records the decision. The Audit Committee controls the administration and the General Assembly shall submit a report within three months from the end of the year.

# Article 18 ELECTIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

With the same request of the General Assembly are invited those who wish to run as a regular Board members or alternate members of the Board or the Auditing Committee after the expiry of their term of office. The Board based on applications submitted by interested members to bid, make a declaration such separated into regular and alternate candidates, with a copy by mail or email a notice two days before the General Assembly. At the start of the meeting of the General Assembly after the election of the Chairman elected three-member Election Commission with two alternates, with a mandate to proceed with the elections for the election of new members of administrative bodies.

## Article 19 INTERNAL RULES OF THE SOCIETY

The detailed arrangement of the work done by the Company's internal rules established by the Board and approved by the General Assembly. The violation is considered to be contrary to statute.

## Article 20 STAMP

The **Hellenic Society of Phytiatry** has a stamp in a circle indicate the name and year of Society and in the middle wheat with a snake and two leaves. The leaves symbolize healthy and diseased plants, Wheat (yellow in color display) plant products and the serpent (red in color representation) management of Phytiatric problems.

## Article 21 AMENDMENTS TO STATUTES - DISSOLUTION OF THE SOCIETY

Prior to a decision to amend the Constitution or the dissolution of the Society requires the presence of at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  of good standing members and a majority of three fourths of those present.

## Article 22

The Society must not intervened in matters foreign with the its specified purposes thereof. For any matters not provided for by this Statute shall apply the relevant provisions of the Civil Code.