

ARTICLES OF BALKAN UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION (BUA)

The Balkan Universities Association is a free association of the founding universities and is open to other universities from the Balkan area.

The Balkan Universities Association will be registered as a nongovernmental association.

The Permanent General Secretariat of the Balkan Universities Association will be assured by the Trakya University, on its own expense and logistics.

The founding members of the Balkan Universities Association are the universities which participated to its foundation, by signing the constitutive act.

The adhesion request of the applicant universities must be submitted at the Permanent General Secretariat and will be validated through majority of votes at the Balkan Universities Association's Congress.

The governing body of the Balkan Universities Association is the Congress, which is annually organized by the university which holds the presidency. The Congress elects the next president of the Balkan Universities Association. Between congresses, the leadership of the Balkan Universities Association is provided by the Executive Committee, which is formed by the former president, the current president and the future president. Throughout the first mandate, the place of the former president will be honorary occupied by the representative of the Ioannina University.

The President of the Executive Committee is the current president.

The decisions in all Balkan Universities Association's structures are adopted by majority voting.

The Presidency of the Balkan Universities Association will be ensured, by rotation, by the Balkan Universities Association's member universities.

The mandate of president of the Balkan Universities Association can be exerted by the Rector or the President of a member university of the Association.

The mandate of president of the Balkan Universities Association is of 1 year, starting with the 1st of January until 31st of December, and cannot be attributed to the same university sooner than 5 years from the last mandate's expiring date, held by the same university.

Two consecutive mandates of President of the Balkan Universities Association are excluded for universities of the same country.

The first mandate of President of the Balkan Universities Association goes to the Rector of the Trakya University and starts on the date on which the constitutive act of the Association is signed and it expires on the 31st of December 2015.

The Second mandate will be exerted by Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski".

The present articles are establishing the Balkan universities Association approved by the First Meeting of Balkan Universities Association held on September 11th, 2014, in Edirne, Turkey.