

Standing orders of the Section Chemistry

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I. Purpose

The Section of the ISSA set up by the Bureau of the ISSA has as its aim the prevention of occupational accidents and occupational diseases in the chemical industry including the plastics, explosives and mineral oil industries as well as the rubber manufacturing industry. The Section performs international activities to express purpose of which is to promote by means of the methods mentioned below the prevention of occupational accidents and occupational diseases falling within its competence.

II. Methods of Action

The following methods are particularly suitable:

1. Exchange of information between the agencies concerned with Industrial safety and its publication in the field of technical and psychological prevention of accidents and industrial medicine.
2. Organising international meetings of technical commissions, working groups, round-table talks and discussions
3. Carrying out surveys and studies
4. Carrying out an educational and publicity program
5. Record and promote research projects.

III. Composition

1. The Section is composed of members. Members of the Section may be fully registered and associated members of the ISSA as well as other non-profit making organisations which are active in the same specialised field as the Section.
2. The Section has the power to call upon a Technical Committee and working groups. These may consist of scientific and technical institutes and associations as well as commercial firms provided that they are active in the field of accident prevention of the Section.
3. Experts are permitted to participate as advisors in the work of the Section provided they are suitably qualified.
4. The Bureau of the Section shall decide on who shall become member of the Section and who shall form part of the Technical Committee and working groups.

IV. The Secretariat

The Employment Accident Insurance Fund (Berufsgenossenschaft) of the Chemical Industry, Kurfürsten Anlage 62, D-69115 Heidelberg, maintains the Secretariat of the Section. It appoints of its own accord the Secretary-General of the Section.

V. The Bureau

1. The Section elects every six years from among its members a Chairman and two Vice-Chairmen. Together with the Secretary-General of the Section they form the Bureau of the Section. They may be re-elected.
2. The Secretary-General of the ISSA is ex officio a member of the Section's Bureau.
3. The Bureau of the section holds meetings upon application by the Chairman in agreement with the Chairman of the Special Commission on prevention.

VI. Quorum and Voting

1. Every member of the Section is entitled to vote (as per Art. III. 1)
2. The Section is basically entitled to vote on administrative issues and the election of its Bureau.
3. The Section may pass a resolution when one half of its members are present. The right to vote may be transferred in writing to another member.
4. Resolutions must be passed with the absolute majority of the votes of the members present; in case of parity of votes, the Chairman's vote shall decide.

VII. Meetings

1. The section holds a member's meeting at least every three years.
2. The meeting is called upon its Chairman's application in agreement with the Secretary General of the ISSA.
3. In Agreement with the Secretary-General of the ISSA, the Bureau determines the time, place and agenda of the members' meeting.
4. The Bureau in agreement with the Secretary-General of the ISSA is responsible for the general meetings called by the Section or in which the Section is involved and for setting up their agenda.

VIII. Subscriptions

The subscriptions to be paid by the Section's members and by the participants to the work of the Technical Committee and the working groups (as per Art. III.2) and by the experts (as by Art. III.3) shall be laid down by the Bureau.