**International Silk Union Constitution**

**Chapter 1 General Principle**

**Article1** Union Name

International Silk Union (ISU).

**Article2** Union Nature

The union is an international and specialized non-profit organization in the silk industry which is voluntarily constituted by the enterprises and related organizations of all silk manufacturing and consuming countries.

**Article3** Union Purpose

The union is to promote communication and cooperation of the silk industry among countries, and to promote the progress and development on international silk culture, education, scientific research, design, production, standards and testing, trade and consumption etc. The union strictly complies with the constitution, laws, regulations, national policies and also the social morality of each member’s country in carrying out the activities.

**Article4** The registration and management agency is Hong Kong Police, People's Republic of China. The union will be in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations of People's Republic of China to register and carry out activities. The union will accept the operational guidance and supervision of competent business unit and registration and management agency.

**Article5** The register residence of the union is in Hong Kong, China. The secretariat is located in Hangzhou, China.

**Chapter 2 Work Content**

**Article6** The union is served as public communication platform, to promote the silk producing countries for more connectivity, to increase the communication of industry information, to promote trade and investment and the healthy development of the international silk industry.

1. Promote the communication and cooperation of international silk industry in the mulberry sericulture, silk reeling and spinning, weaving and dyeing, product design and development, trend research and application, standards and testing, comprehensive utilization of silk resources, culture protection and inheritance;

2. Provide advice for silk industry policy and development strategy, and promote the fair trade of international silk industry;

3. Exchange and share silk industry information and data of each member country, and provide policy advice, business consulting and other services for the international silk trade;

4. Provide opportunities and convenience on lectures, creation, employment and internship for designers, engineers, technicians and students of all member countries;

5. Provide assistance for members of each country on visiting the enterprise, studying the market, project docking, investment cooperation, trade development, recruitment of personnel and so on;

6. Strengthen cooperation between international silk industry related institutions, and create conditions to establish the cross-border e-commerce trade platform for the international silk products;

7. Initiate the industry's green environmental protection and corporate social responsibility, and promote the sustainable development of the international silk industry;

8. Hold the silk culture and brand art performance, and promote the international silk culture research and communication.

**Chapter 3 Members**

**Article7** The union members are enterprises or other organizations.

**Article8** Application members must meet the following conditions:

1. Agree with the union constitution;

2. Have the willing to join the union;

3. Have a certain impact in the industry of the union.

**Article9** The procedure for members to join the union:

1. Submit the union attendance application;

2. Pass the union executive council’s deliberation;

3. Issue the member certification by the union.

**Article10** Members have the following rights:

1. Vote, elect and be elected in the union;

2. Attend the union activities;

3. Get the service priority;

4. Give recommendations on the union work;

5. Join and exit the union voluntarily and freely.

**Article11** Members fulfill the following obligations:

1. Comply with union constitution, implement the union resolutions, and safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of the union;

2. Attend the activities organized by the union and complete commissioned tasks;

3. Provide enterprise information and data for the union.

**Chapter4 Generating and Recalling of Organizations and PIC**

**Article12** Assembly is the supreme authority of the union. Assembly is held once every four years. The authority of assembly:

1. Audit and amend the union chapter;

2. Elect the union executive directors;

3. Debrief the work reports of the executive council;

4. Audit medium and long term work outline of the union;

5. Decide the union termination matters;

6. Decide other major issues.

**Article13** Assembly shall be convened only when member attendance is more than 1/2, and the resolution shall come into force only when it is voted by the 2/3 members present at the meeting (the written vote is viewed as attendance).

**Article14** The executive directors are applied in voluntary, and need to pass the deliberate of the assembly. The term of the executive director is four years and can be re-elected consecutively.

**Article15** Authority of the executive council:

1. Elect the union chairman, vice chairman and secretary general;

2. Invite the union honorary chairman;

3. Decide to set up the professional committees, offices, branches, representative offices and other organizations;

4. Hire the main heads of all agencies;

5. Deliberate the secretariat work report;

6. Deliberate union work plan;

7. Make other major decisions.

**Article16** The executive council shall be convened only when member attendance is more than 1/2, and the resolution shall come into force only when it is voted by the 2/3 members present at the meeting (the written vote is viewed as attendance).

**Article17** The executive council convenes a meeting every two years. In special case, it also can be held in communication form.

**Article18** The union's chairman, vice chairman and secretary-general must meet the following conditions:

1. Deeply love the silk industry, have international vision and cooperation spirit;

2. Have great influence in the field of union business;

3. Be healthy and capable of daily work

4. The highest office age is no more than about 70 years old;

5. Have a complete civil capacity.

**Article19** Theunion chairman, vice chairman and secretary-general are elected for a term of four years, and shall not exceed two terms. To extend the term due to special circumstances, it must be approved by the executive council, reported to the competent business unit for examination, and authorized by the registration and management agency.

**Article20** The union chairman is the union legal representative.

**Article21** The union chairman exercises the following authorities:

1. Convene and preside over assembly and the executive council;

2. Check the resolution implementation of the executive council;

3. Represent the union to sign the important files.

4. The union vice chairman assists chairman to work.

**Article22** The secretary-general of the union is full-time, and shall exercise the following authorities:

1. Preside over the secretariat to carry out the daily work, and organize the implementation of annual work plan;

2. Coordinate each professional committee, office, branch, and representative office to work;

3. Nominate deputy secretary-general and the principal person in charge of each professional committee, branch, representative office, and submit the executive council decision;

4. Decide to employ full-time staff for the union secretariat, each representative office and entity organization;

5. Deal with other daily affairs.

**Chapter5 Asset Management and Use Principle**

**Article23** Sources of the union funding:

1. Initiate unit’s donation;

2. The executive director units’ donation in voluntary;

3. Government funding support;

4. Revenue of activities or services within the approved business scope;

5. Other donation;

6. Interest income;

7. Other legitimate income.

**Article24** The union funds must be used for the industry development within the business scope as prescribed in the union constitution and cannot be allocated among members.

**Article25** The union set up a strict financial management system to ensure that the accounting information is lawful, authentic, accurate and complete.

**Article26** Any unit or individual shall not misappropriate, embezzle and divert the assets of the union.

**Article27** The union must accept the financial audit organized by the society registration management agency and the competent business unit before changing the term or the legal representative of the union.

**Chapter6 Amendment Program of Constitution**

**Article28** To amend the union constitution needs the deliberation of the assembly.

**Article29** The amended constitution is entry into force after approved by the competent business unit, authorized by the registration and management agency, within 15 days after the approval of the assembly.

**Chapter7 Termination Procedure and Property Disposal after Termination**

**Article30** Because of the union purpose completion or dissolution, or the merger, division, the union needs to log out, and then the termination should be put forward by the executive council.

**Article31** The union termination motion must be voted and approved by Assembly, and assets liquidation shall be in accordance with Chinese laws and regulations. After the cancellation of registration formalities, the union is terminated.

**Article32** If there is any remaining property after termination, the remaining property shall be used to develop the business related to the purposes of the union in accordance with the relevant provisions of the nation.

**Chapter8 Attached Principle**

**Article33** The union official languages are Chinese and English.

**Article34** The union constitution shall come into force after the vote of the assembly.

**Article35** The secretariat holds the final interpretation of the constitution.

**Article36** The union constitution is entry into force after approved by the society registration management agency.