Association of Yokohama International Social Science Studies Bylaws

ARTICLE 1 (Name)

This Association shall be known as Association of Yokohama International Social Science Studies

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ARTICLE 2 (Head Office)

The Association has a Head Office in Library of International Social Science Studies, Yokohama National University.

ARTICLE 3 (Purposes)

The mission of the Association is to promote and disseminate the research of international development studies, economics, business administration studies, and studies in law and politics.

ARTICLE 4 (Activities)

The Association shall carry out the following activities.

- 1. Publishing journals.
- 2. Holding research meetings and lecture meetings.
- 3. Activities that a board of trustees approves of.

ARTICLE 5 (Membership)

The Association is organized by the members below.

- 1. Special Members
- a) Professors who are in charge of the PhD program of the Graduate School of International Social Sciences, Yokohama National University.
- b) Professors who are in charge of the Master's program of the Graduate School of International Social Sciences, Yokohama National University, and who desires to become a member of the Association.

2. Student Members

Any individual who fulfills the conditions below and desires to become a member of the Association.

- a) Any individual who is a student of the Graduate School of International Social Sciences, Yokohama National University. (Including those who have graduated or withdrawn after earning credits less than three years previously and are not currently employed full-time.)
- b) A student enrolled in a doctoral program at a graduate school of Yokohama National University, except the Graduate School of International Social Sciences, or another university. (Limited to those who have been recommended

by a special member and approved by the Board of Trustees or the Steering Committee of the Association.)

However, (2) (excluding those who have previously been admitted as (1)) and (3) are limited to those who have been recommended by a special member and approved by the Board of Trustees or the Steering Committee of the Association.

3. Regular Members

- a) Any individual who fulfills the conditions below and desires to become a member of the Association.
 - ① Any individual who has previously been a special member of the Association;
 - ② Full-time employees who have graduated from, or who have withdrawn from the PhD program of the International Graduate School of Development Studies, the International Graduate School of Social Sciences, or the Graduate School of International Social Sciences, Yokohama National University (excluding those who fall under article 2 a)).
- b) Any individual who desires to become a member of the Association, who is recommended by a special member and who also is approved by the Board of Trustees or the Steering Committee of the Association.

4. Supporting members

Any individual or corporation that approves of the purpose of the Association, desires to become a member of the Association, and is approved by the Board of Trustees or the Steering Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE 6 (Directors and Officers)

The Association shall have the directors listed below.

- 1. President (elected by the trustees from among the members)
- 2. Trustee (special members shall be trustees)
- 3. Officers who are in charge of general affairs, editing journals, and holding research meetings and lecture meetings.
- 4. Treasurer (elected by the trustees from among the members)

ARTICLE 7 (Mission of the Directors and the Officers)

- 1. Trustees shall compose a board of trustees and discuss matters. However, trustees shall entrust a governing body with matters except amendment of bylaws and other important issues.
- 1-2. Representatives of Faculty of International Social Sciences shall compose a governing body, and it shall discuss the matters entrusted by the Board of Trustees.
- 2. Officers shall carry out their own mission based on the resolutions of the Board of Trustees or the Steering Committee

3. The treasurer shall audit the accounts of the Association.

ARTICLE 8 (Directors 7 and Officers' tenure)

Directors and Officers shall hold office for one year. They shall be eligible for reelection.

ARTICLE 9 (Membership fee)

Members must pay a membership fee according to other rules.

ARTICLE 10 (Rights of Membership)

- 1. All members shall receive journals.
- 2. All members shall participate in research meetings and lecture meetings held by the Association.

ARTICLE 11 (The Fiscal Year of the Association)

The fiscal year of the Association shall start April 1 and end March 31 of the following year.

ARTICLE 12 (Amendments)

Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by the Board of Trustees.

Supplementary Provisions

- 1. These Bylaws shall be enforced from April 1, 1996.
- 2. Any individual who was formerly a professor of the International Graduate School of Development Studies, Yokohama National University is regarded as a special member in the case of applying Article 5, 2.

Supplementary Provisions (on March 23, 1999)

These Bylaws shall be enforced from April 5, 1999.

Supplementary Provisions (on February 24, 2000)

These Bylaws shall be enforced from April 1, 2000.

Supplementary Provisions (on July 28, 2003)

These Bylaws shall be enforced from July 28, 2000.

Supplementary Provisions (on February 27, 2008)

These Bylaws shall be enforced from April 1, 2008.

Supplementary Provisions (on February 28, 2014)

These Bylaws shall be enforced from April 1, 2014.

Supplementary Provisions (on February 17, 2025) These Bylaws shall be enforced from April 1, 2025.

Supplementary Provisions (on July 28, 2025) These Bylaws shall be enforced from July 28, 2025.

Association of Yokohama International Social Science Studies Rules of Membership fees

Annual membership fees of the Association are as follows.

Special members: 8,000 yen per year

Student members: 3,500 yen per year (members who pay for three years in advance

need to pay only 10,000 yen)

Regular members: 6,000 yen per year

Supporting members: decided by other rules

These rules shall be enforced from April 1, 2025.