12. Standard Regulations for external legal entities

**Regulations for the endowed chair ............. on account of the**

**Foundation (under Dutch law) .................. at the Faculty of ... at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.**

Article 1

1. The terms below are defined in these regulations as follows:
   * legal entity: the legal entity referred to in Article 2;
   * faculty: the faculty referred to in Article 2.

The other terms used in these Regulations will, if they also appear in the VU Amsterdam Management Regulations, have the meanings given to them in those Regulations.

1. These regulations shall apply without prejudice to the VU Management Regulations.

Article 2

The professor appointed to occupy the chair endowed by the Foundation

shall work at the Faculty of ..................... in the field of ..............................., in particular by

providing education and by carrying out and supervising research.

Article 3

1. The chair will be supervised by a Committee of Trustees, consisting of at most three members. The members shall be appointed by the Board of Directors of the legal entity, on the understanding that at least two members must be professors of the faculty.
2. The Committee of Trustees shall appoint a chairperson and secretary from its midst.
3. The Committee of Trustees shall be tasked with the supervision of the endowed chair, with a particular responsibility for monitoring and safeguarding a sufficient level of academic quality and independence in the work to be carried out by the professor occupying the endowed chair.
4. Each year, as soon as possible after receiving the report referred to in Article 6, the Committee of Trustees will draw up an evaluation of the work performed during the previous academic year by the professor occupying the endowed chair. The Committee shall send this evaluation to the Faculty Board. The Committee shall also send a copy of this evaluation to the Executive Board of VU Amsterdam and the Board of Directors of the legal entity, enclosing a copy of the above-mentioned report.
5. At the end of the academic year in which a trustee’s employment contract with VU Amsterdam terminates or in which the trustee reaches the statutory pensionable age, the Board of Directors of the legal entity shall grant him an honourable discharge from his duties. Such discharge shall also be granted in the event of the cancellation of the endowed chair and at the request of the individual in question or of the Committee of Trustees.

Article 4

1. The professor occupying the endowed chair will be appointed by the legal entity’s Board of Directors. The appointment needs to be approved in advance by the Executive Board of VU Amsterdam.
2. The appointment shall be for the period determined by the Executive Board of VU Amsterdam for admission as a professor occupying an endowed chair, but for no longer than five years.
3. The professor may be reappointed subject to the stipulations in the first and second paragraphs.

Article 5

The remuneration granted to the professor occupying the endowed chair and any other conditions relating to the appointment shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the legal entity.

Article 6

Each year in the month of September, the professor occupying the endowed chair will issue a written report to the Committee of Trustees and to the Faculty Board detailing the work he / she has undertaken during the previous academic year.

Article 7

In his / her publications, the professor occupying the endowed chair shall state his/ her institution’s affiliation with the faculty in accordance with the faculty guidelines.

Article 8

The endowed chair, the legal entity, the professor occupying the endowed chair and the financiers of the chair will be listed on the website of the faculty in which the chair is located.

Article 9

The main professional activity in which the professor occupying the endowed chair is engaged outside the context of VU Amsterdam, in addition to any relevant ancillary positions, will be made public on the university’s website in accordance with the VU Amsterdam Regulations on Ancillary Activities dating from 2017.

Section 10

At the close of the month in which the professor occupying the endowed chair reaches the statutory pensionable age, the legal entity’s Board of Directors will honourably discharge the trustee.

Article 11

1. If the professor occupying the endowed chair neglects his/her duties or acts improperly, the Committee of Trustees will take the required urgent measures and, if necessary, the legal entity’s Board of Directors will make proposals for a warning, suspension or dismissal, while simultaneously giving notice to VU Amsterdam’s Executive Board.
2. Dismissal other than at the professor’s own request, due to the expiry of the term of appointment or upon reaching the statutory pensionable age, shall not take effect until after the Board of Directors of the legal entity has informed the professor occupying the endowed chair of the reason for his / her dismissal and has given him / her the opportunity to dispute its validity and until due consultation has taken place with the Executive Board of VU Amsterdam.

Section 12

1. The legal entity’s Board of Directors may amend these Regulations after consulting with the Committee of Trustees.
2. The Board of Directors of the legal entity shall notify the Executive Board of VU Amsterdam without delay of any amendments made to these Regulations.
3. In the event of any doubt as to the interpretation or application of these Regulations, the Board of Directors of the legal entity shall decide the matter, having consulted the Committee of Trustees and professor occupying the endowed chair.

These Regulations were adopted by the Board of the ………………… Foundation on ………