# TED UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS FOR THE TRADE RESEARCH CENTER (TRC)

# PART ONE Objective, Scope, Basis and Definitions

## **Objective**

**ARTICLE 1 -** (1) The objective of this regulation is to specify the rules and principles regarding the aims, fields of activity, governing bodies, duties of the governing bodies, and the manner of work of the TED University Trade Research Center (TRC), established in affiliation with TED University.

# Scope

**ARTICLE 2 -** (1) This regulation outlines and defines the aims, fields of activity, governing bodies and duties of the governing bodies of the TED University Trade Research Center (TRC), founded in affiliation with TED University.

#### Basis

**ARTICLE 3** - (1) This regulation has been based on the Law on Higher Education, No. 2547, Article 7, Paragraph 1, Clause D, Sub-clause 2, and Article 14, dated November 4, 1981.

### **Definitions**

**ARTICLE 4 -** (1) The below mentioned definitions refer to

- a) Center (TRC): TED University Trade Research Center
- b) Director: Director of the Center
- c) Assistant Director: Assistant Director of the Center
- d) Center Advisory Committee: Advisory Committee of the Center
- e) Center Administrative Board: Administrative Board of the Center
- f) *TEDU*: TED University
- g) Rector: TED University Rector

# **PART TWO**

# The Objectives and the Fields of Activity of the Center

### **Objectives**

**ARTICLE 5 -** (1) The objectives of the Center are;

a) To carry out research and development activities on trade theory and their implementation,

- b) To work in areas which bring Turkey forward with joint projects concerning merchandise trade in fields required by policy makers,
- c) To carry out detailed research activities concerning trade in services whose importance is growing day by day in Turkey and the world in order to improve the competitive power of Turkey and to provide input for policy makers,
- d) To assist the private sector and industrial enterprises in establishing required background information and infrastructure, encouraging them to make investments and provide them with the necessary research and development as well as support and training
- e) To promote awareness of trade issues to different segments of society and to organize international events, coordinate training activities, and reach the masses by means of various publications and media in order to create social awareness and civic involvement,
- f) To develop the Center's infrastructure by joining national and international projects and collaborating with scholars who are experts in trade,
- g) To create enthusiasm among young researchers working in trade in Turkey and the world

# Fields of activity

**ARTICLE 6 -** (1) The Center carries out activities in the fields mentioned below in line with its objectives:

- a) To carry out research activities, and national and international projects
- b) To organize national and international training programs, conferences, seminars, competitions, symposiums
- c) To support research activities of faculty members
- d) To support students' post-graduate and doctoral studies in relevant areas, and provide the necessary infrastructure
- e) To collaborate with national and international institutions in line with the objectives of the Center
- f) To carry out research, analysis, consultation and other similar services for the public and the private sector in needed areas
- g) To provide scientific opinion, prepare reports, and develop national and international forms of collaborations in line with their objectives
- h) To carry out other activities relevant to the objectives and the regulations of the Center
- i) To support student social and scientific activities in line with the objectives of the Center

#### **PART THREE**

### **Administrative Bodies of the Center and Their Duties**

#### **Administrative Bodies of the Center**

**ARTICLE 7 -** (1) The administrative bodies of the Center are

- a) Director
- b) Assistant Director
- c) Center Administrative Board
- d) Center Advisory Committee

#### Director

**ARTICLE 8 -** (1) The Director is selected from among the relevant faculty members of TED University and appointed by the Rector for three years. At the end of this period, the Director can be reappointed.

#### **Assistant Director**

**ARTICLE 9 -** (1) An Assistant Director is selected from among the faculty members of TEDU who are experts in related fields. The Assistant Director is appointed by the Director. The Assistant Director acts as the alternate director when the Director is not on duty. If the duration of the deputation exceeds six months, a new Director is appointed.

# **Duties of the Director**

**ARTICLE 10 -** (1) The duties of the director are:

- a) To represent the Center and preside over the Center Administrative Board
- b) To execute the decisions of the Center Administrative Board
- c) To carry out the administrative affairs of the Center, providing necessary coordination and supervision
- d) To prepare and submit an annual activity report for the previous term to the Center Administrative Board

## **Center Administrative Board**

**ARTICLE 11 -** (1) The Center Administrative Board consists of the Director, Assistant Director and **three faculty members** selected by the Rector from among those who carry out activities in the respective fields. The term of office of the Center Administrative Board is three years. At the end of this period, the same Center Administrative Board members may be reappointed. If a board member retires from their office, another member is selected according to the same procedures in order to complete the remaining period. Board decisions are taken by a majority vote.

# **Duties of the Center Administrative Board**

**ARTICLE 12 -** (1) The duties of the Center Administrative Board are;

a) To make necessary decisions about the Center's field of activity according to research, development, and implementation activities carried out by the Center,

- b) To determine the configuration of the annual activity report to be submitted by the Director at the end of each activity period and to make an evaluation thereof,
- c) To prepare a work schedule for each subsequent period, determining the basis for all national and international collaboration activities,
- d) To hold monthly meetings upon the call of the Director, and gather more frequently when necessary.

# **Center Advisory Committee**

**ARTICLE 13 -** (1) The Center Advisory Committee consists of the representatives mentioned below in order to provide propositions and opinions to the Center Administrative Board in areas and issues needed;

- a) TEDU faculty members experienced in the Center's field of activity
- b) representatives of respective public institutions, upon request
- c) representatives of other universities and institutions which are interested in the activities of TRC
- (2) The members of the Center Administrative Board are the natural members of the Center Advisory Committee.
- (3) The Center Advisory Committee, not including dual members of the Center Administrative Board, consists of a maximum of ten members. The Director invites and assigns these members to serve for one year. At the end of this period, the same members may be reappointed.

## **Duties of the Center Advisory Committee**

**ARTICLE 14 -** (1) The duties of the Center Advisory Committee are;

- a) To express opinions about the annual work plan, research projects, implementation methods prepared by the Center Administrative Board,
- b) To give recommendations about research, development and implementation activities,
- c) To evaluate completed and ongoing activities,
- d) To hold a meeting at least once a year to evaluate the Center's activities, to present opinions and recommendations on possible new activities to the Center Administrative Board.

# PART FOUR Miscellaneous and Final Provisions

# **Spending Authority**

**ARTICLE 15 -** (1) The Center's authority for expenditure is the Rector. The Rector may delegate this authority to the Director.

## **Enforcement**

**ARTICLE 16 -** (1) This regulation comes into effect on the date of its issue.

# **Execution**

**ARTICLE 17 -** (1) This regulation is executed by the TED University Rector.

# SENATE MEETINGS THAT REGULATIONS OR AMENDMENTS ARE ACCEPTED

DATE	DECREE NO.	EXPLANATION
20.01.2015	2015-01	TRC Regulation
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