Organization Rules of the Council of Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration for the Field for Knowledge Integration and Innovation (Translation)

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Only the Japanese text of the rules is authentic. In the event of any divergence between Japanese and English texts, the Japanese text shall prevail.

Chapter 1: General Provisions

Article 1 (Purpose)

The Organization Rules of the Council of Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration for the Field for Knowledge Integration and Innovation (hereinafter referred to as "the Organization Rules") have been prepared with the aim of setting forth the particulars of the organization, as well as the assignment of tasks etc. in relation thereto and are established in accordance with Article 33 of the Regulations on the Council of Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration for the Field for Knowledge Integration and Innovation (FKII) (hereinafter referred to as "the Regulations").

Chapter 2: Board of Directors

Article 2 (Board of Directors)

The board of directors shall consist of all the directors and shall determine any material matters related to the execution of operations of the Council.

Article 3 (Convening of Board of Directors' Meeting)

Any matters necessary for a convocation of the board of directors shall be separately determined by the president.

Chapter 3: Management Committee Meeting

Article 4 (Management Committee Meeting)

- 1. With the aim of supporting the activities of the Council in the administrative aspect, a management committee meeting may be held upon a proposal from the directors or the Business-Academia Cooperation Office, Research Promotion Division, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Research Council (hereinafter referred to as "the Business-Academia Cooperation Office").
- 2. A management committee shall hold a meeting that invites organizers (or organizing teams) of an R&D Platform, on which a filing has been received under Article 6, paragraph 2, as well as relevant governmental agencies or others, and shall provide advice on the policies and the activities of the R&D Platform so that they will be promoted more effectively and efficiently.
- 3. A management committee meeting shall be convoked by the head of the Business-Academia Cooperation Office, Research Promotion Division, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Research Council.

Article 5 (Composition)

- 1. The management committee shall consist of three or more directors and the Business-Academia Cooperation Office.
- 2. The management committee may request experts et al. to attend the meeting as necessary.

Chapter 4: R&D Platform

Article 6 (Filing of an R&D Platform)

- 1. When there are any members who wish to create and operate a group ("R&D platform") to be involved in cooperative research and development for a certain agenda through the activities of the Council, the organizer shall file an application with the secretariat using Form 1.
- 2. The secretariat shall, when it receives a filing as stipulated in the preceding paragraph, confirm the information required for the form and then accept such filing when there is no deficiency or insufficiency in the information provided.
- 3. The secretariat shall release the information of the R&D Platform that has been filed, such as the name, constituent members, and activities, on the website of the Council and offer information on the establishment and activities of the R&D Platform to the members.
- 4. When any changes occur with regard to any items in its filing, the R&D Platform shall promptly report the same to the secretariat.

Article 7 (Obligation of Organizer)

The organizer of the R&D Platform, on which a filing has been made, shall engage in the following, in addition to taking leadership in the promotion of an effective and efficient R&D Platform:

- (1) Attend meetings held by the Council and targeted at organizers et al. and report on the meetings the activity status of the R&D Platform
- (2) Respond to any advice and comments from the Council
- (3) Report to the secretariat of the Council as to the activity status of the R&D Platform
- (4) Any other matters that are required for the smooth operation of the Council

Article 8 (Abolition of the R&D Platform)

- 1. When the R&D Platform falls under any one of the following, the information of such R&D Platform may be deleted from the list as stipulated in Article 8, paragraph 3:
 - (1) When a representative of the R&D Platform reports the dissolution of such R&D Platform
 - (2) When the R&D Platform is in violation of the Regulations of the Council, the Organization Rules, or other rules
 - (3) When the R&D Platform damages the reputation of the Council or acts in a manner that is contrary to the purpose of the Council
 - (4) When there is any other justifiable reason to invalidate the filing
- 2. With regard to an R&D Platform wherein the activities are still weak although two years have passed since its filing, the secretariat may request the abolition of such R&D Platform. However, this shall not apply in a case where its activity is confirmed through cooperation or integration with another R&D Platform.

(Additional Clause)

The Organization Rules shall be enacted on July 23, 2019.

The Rules of the Management Committee for the Council of Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration for the Field for Knowledge Integration and Innovation (enacted on June 15, 2016) shall be abolished.

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