



جامعة قطر
QATAR UNIVERSITY

1. NAME

The name of this organization shall be Qatar DSI Chapter.

2. AFFILIATION & LEGAL STATUS

The Decision Sciences Institute is organized and operated as a nonprofit corporation exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Qatar DSI Chapter is created and authorized by the Decision Sciences Institute through the granting of this charter to Qatar University. The Qatar DSI Chapter shall belong to the Asia-Pacific Division consistent with Title 5 of the Bylaws of the Decision Sciences Institute.

The Qatar DSI Chapter can enter into any business transactions, contracts, or any other legally-binding activities, as long as there is clear language in such contracts that the Decision Sciences Institute assumes no legal or liability responsibility whatsoever.

The organization, structure, membership, voting, activities, finances, and reporting of the same, and all other matters relating or pertaining thereto, of the Qatar DSI Chapter shall be conducted in accordance with and subject to **the Bylaws of the Decision Sciences Institute** and the Policies and Procedures of the Qatar DSI Chapter.

The Policies and Procedures of Qatar DSI Chapter shall be submitted in writing and approved by the Board of Directors of the Decision Sciences Institute every two years.

3. ADDRESS

The mailing address of the Qatar DSI Chapter shall be Qatar University.

4. MISSION

To further the mission of the Decision Sciences Institute, the Qatar DSI Chapter shall conduct activities in that region to provide for the exchange of information among those who extend, apply, and teach disciplines of the decisions sciences.

5. MEMBERSHIP

The Qatar DSI Chapter may have members or collect membership dues, (i) as long as such international chapter membership dues are to be deposited, monitored, and accounted for by the Qatar DSI Chapter and (ii) as long as there is clear language in offer of such membership that it **does not include membership and/or benefits affiliated with the Decision Sciences Institute**, who assumes no liability or legal responsibility whatsoever.

6. BOUNDARIES OF THE CHAPTER

The territories of the Qatar DSI Chapter shall include the country of Qatar.

7. GOVERNANCE OF THE CHAPTER

7.1. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Qatar DSI Chapter shall be managed by a Board referred to as the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors.

The Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors shall comprise of no fewer than three (3) and no more than nine (9) members, plus one ex-officio member from the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Decision Sciences Institute.

When the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors has only three (3) members, the officer positions on the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors shall be designated as President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

When the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors has more than five (5) members, the positions on the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors shall be President, Immediate Past President, President Elect, Treasurer, Secretary, and the remaining titles to be determined at the discretion of the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors.

7.1.1. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF BOARD OFFICERS

President. The President shall be the region's Chief Executive Officer. The President shall serve for a term of one (1) year, and shall automatically become Immediate Past-President for a subsequent term of one (1) year.

Immediate Past-President. The Immediate Past President shall, in the absence or incapacity of both the President and President-Elect, preside at meetings of the Board of Directors.

President-Elect. The President-Elect shall, in the absence or incapacity of the President, preside at meetings of the Board of Directors. The President-Elect shall serve for a term of one (1) year, and shall automatically become President for a subsequent term of one (1) year.

Treasurer. The Treasurer shall (i) keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintained, adequate and correct books and records of account of the properties and transactions of the Qatar DSI Chapter, and other matters customarily included in financial statements and (ii) file all necessary documents to comply with laws of the territory in which the Qatar DSI Chapter operates.

Secretary. The Secretary shall maintain and provide access to the records of the Qatar DSI Chapter; record the minutes of all proceedings of the Board of Directors of the Qatar DSI Chapter; authenticate the records of the Qatar DSI Chapter and give or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the Board of Directors of the Qatar DSI Chapter required by the laws of the territory in which the Qatar DSI Chapter operates. The Secretary shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors of the Qatar DSI Chapter, the laws of the territory in which the Qatar DSI Chapter operates, or the Policies and Procedures of the Qatar DSI Chapter

7.1.2. BOARD ELIGIBILITY

Only Regular Members of the Decision Sciences Institute (i.e., membership is current) and in good standing shall be nominated and elected or appointed to serve on the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors.

Members of the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors shall maintain Regular Member status in the Decision Sciences Institute during the entire term of Board service.

No individual shall serve contemporarily in more than one official position on the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors.

No individual shall succeed to the same Board position within two (2) years of vacating such Board position, except under extenuating circumstances and subject to formal approval by the Board of Directors of the Decision Sciences Institute.

7.1.3. BOARD POSITION NOMINATION OR APPOINTMENT

Members to serve on the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors shall be nominated and elected through a consistent process to be determined and specified in a separate document.

7.1.4. BOARD DECISION-MAKING AND RECORD KEEPING

Only matters that are consistent with the Bylaws of the Decision Sciences Institute shall be brought forth for discussion or adjudication by the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors.

No matter before the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors shall be discussed and acted on unless minutes of the discussion and decisions are recorded.

All matters to be decided by the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors shall require a majority vote of the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors.

All minutes of meetings of the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors shall be provided to the Home Office of the Decision Sciences Institute.

8. CONFERENCE OF THE CHAPTER

8.1. CONFERENCE LOGISTICS

The Qatar DSI Chapter may organize a conference annually.

The name of the conference organized by the Qatar DSI Chapter shall be marketed as the [YEAR] International Conference of the Qatar DSI Chapter.

The conference being organized by the Qatar DSI Chapter shall be either separate or in conjunction with conferences organized by professional entities affiliated or not affiliated with the Decision Sciences Institute.

The Qatar DSI Chapter shall establish differential conference registration rates, one for DSI members (lower) and one for non-DSI members (higher), consistent with the Bylaws of the Decision Sciences Institute.

8.2. CONFERENCE CHAIR

The conference organized by the Qatar DSI Chapter shall have a conference chair.

Only Regular Members of the Decision Sciences Institute (i.e., membership is current) and in good standing shall be nominated and elected or appointed to serve as a conference chair.

The conference chair shall maintain Regular Member status in the Decision Sciences Institute during the time he/she serves in this capacity.

8.3. CONFERENCE MANAGEMENT AND REGISTRATION SYSTEMS

The Qatar DSI Chapter may use the Conference Management System of the Decision Sciences Institute.

The cost for usage of such system shall be conveyed to the Qatar DSI Chapter in advance and be pre-paid to the Decision Sciences Institute.

The Qatar DSI Chapter may use any Conference Registration System to support its annual international conference.

9. PUBLICATIONS OF THE REGION

The Qatar DSI Chapter shall have discretion to produce conference proceedings.

The Qatar DSI Chapter shall not create or support journals, books, monographs, or similar publications, whether in print or digitally, to be affiliated with the Qatar DSI Chapter or the Decision Sciences Institute.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

The Qatar DSI Chapter shall have discretion to communicate its activities to its stakeholders.

The Qatar DSI Chapter shall maintain webpages consistent with overall branding of the Decision Sciences Institute.

11. REVOCATION OF CHARTER

The Charter for the Qatar DSI Chapter may be revoked at the request of the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors or for cause such as the following:

- Failure of the Qatar DSI Chapter to abide by the terms of the Charter
- Fiscal impropriety on the part of the Qatar DSI Chapter Board of Directors or its appointees
- Consecutive years of absence of the Qatar DSI Chapter to be represented at a summit at the annual meeting of the Decision Sciences Institute
- Consecutive years of inadequate attendance at the Qatar DSI Chapter annual conference

Before a judgment of revocation is passed, the Qatar DSI Chapter shall be given timely notice of any charges against it and the opportunity to present its case against revocation to the Board of Directors of the Decision Sciences Institute.

Revocation of the Charter for the Qatar DSI Chapter shall require a two-third affirmative vote of the Board of Directors of the Decision Sciences Institute.

12. SET-UP FEE FOR DSI AFFILIATION

There shall be a one-time fee to establish an international chapter in the amount of US\$3000.00, with this one-time fee adjusted based on GDP of the country in which the international chapter seeks to be established. For a Qatar DSI Chapter, this fee is US\$3000.00.

The one-time international chapter establishment fee may be paid in installments over a three-year period or may be waived upon written request from the Qatar DSI Chapter and subject to approval of the Board of Directors of the Decision Sciences Institute.

Remitting of the one-time establishment fee to DSI will be determined in consultation with the DSI Home Office.

13. RECOGNITION OF VALUE OF DSI AFFILIATION

To be issued a Charter for a Qatar DSI Chapter, there shall be a minimum of 10 Regular Members of the Decision Sciences Institute whose dues are current, who are in good standing, and who are residing in the boundaries of the Qatar DSI Chapter at the time of issue of Charter.

For an issued Charter to remain in effect for the initial three years from the date of issuance of the charter, there shall be a minimum of 10 Regular Members of the Decision Sciences Institute whose dues are current, who are in good standing, and who are residing in the boundaries of the Qatar DSI Chapter.

For an issued Charter to remain in effect beyond the initial three-year period by the end of three years, and subject to compliance with previous terms, there shall be at least 25 Regular Members of the Decision Sciences Institute whose dues are current, who are in good standing, and who are residing in the boundaries of the Qatar DSI Chapter on the annual anniversary of the date of issuance of the Charter.

14. OTHER

Any and all other activities not explicated outlined above, before being conducted, shall require formal approval by the Board of Directors of the Decision Sciences Institute.



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AGREED TO BY:

Qatar University, Qatar Chapter Host Institution

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Prof. Adam Fadlalla, Acting Dean of College of Business and Economics

August 11, 2020

Date

Decision Sciences Institute

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vivian Landrum', is written over a horizontal line.

Vivian Landrum, Executive Director

August 12, 2020

Date