

## CERTIFIED EUROPEAN STUTTERING SPECIALISTS' REGULATIONS

- 1. The short title of this statute is 'Certified EU Stuttering Specialists Regulations'.
- 2. To proclaim oneself as a Certified European Stuttering Specialist the person must comply with regulations for certification under this statute as required by ESS.
- 3. Certified European Stuttering Specialist Board
  - a. The board shall be known as 'Certified European Stuttering Specialist Board' and will be composed of:
    - i. One member representing the ESS consortium partners, to be elected by the consortium from ESS partners during a general meeting;
    - ii. One member representing the ESS associated partners, to be elected by the consortium during a general meeting;
    - iii. The ESS consortium coordinator;
    - iv. The board members elect the chairperson during the first board meeting.
  - b. The responsibilities of the Certified European Stuttering Specialist Board are:
    - To certify applicants with appropriate qualifications who demonstrate compliance with specified regulations;
    - To advise and recommend policy regarding professional and ethical standards and procedures to the ESS consortium related to Certified European Stuttering Specialist recognition;
    - iii. To review and process applications for equivalence of ESS qualification;
    - iv. To maintain and publish an official register of Certified European Stuttering
      Specialist who comply with regulations;

- v. To refer instances of alleged professional misconduct, gross negligence or incompetence by a certified European stuttering specialist to their local professional organization for adjudication; on receiving the decision of the local organization the board will consider Certified European Stuttering status;
- vi. To advise the ESS consortium on administrative fees:
- vii. To levy such fees, from Certified European Stuttering Specialists for initial registration and yearly retention fees thereafter;
- viii. To perform other functions related to specialist certification as considered appropriate by the ESS consortium;
- ix. To maintain the board's financial viability.
- c. The board shall draw up and publish an annual report.
- d. Elected members of the board shall hold office for a term of three years.
- e. Elected members of the board shall, on the expiration of their term, be eligible to be reappointed for a maximum of three terms.
- f. In the event that a board member vacates his/her office before completing the 3-year term, a co-opted person shall be appointed for the unexpired term.
- g. The chair shall summon the meetings of the board and the board shall meet at least once per year.
- h. In the exercise of its functions under this statute, the board may consult with such persons, as it may deem appropriate. For such purpose, the board may invite any such person to attend or participate in meetings of the board.

## 4. Applications for Certification

- a. Any person seeking to become certified as a Certified European Stuttering Specialist shall make an application via the Certified European Stuttering Specialist website.
- b. The board shall issue certification to applicants meeting requirements.