# Member Rules of Regulation of Global Intelligent Internet of Things Consortium

#### **Chapter 1 General Provisions**

Article 1 In order to formalize the admission, service, and regulation for members of the Global Intelligent Internet of Things Consortium (hereinafter referred to as "GIIC"), ensure the rights and interests of members, keep the full function, the reputation and the healthy operation of GIIC, this regulation is formulated in accordance with the *Bylaws of The Global Intelligent IoT Consortium (Draft)* (hereinafter referred to as the "Bylaws").

**Article 2** Member admission, rights and obligations shall be implemented in accordance with the Bylaws.

**Article 3**: Members shall abide by the Bylaws and this regulation, conscientiously fulfill membership obligations, and correctly exercise their membership rights.

**Article 4**: Members have the right to join and exit GIIC on a voluntary basis.

#### **Chapter II Members**

**Article 5**: GIIC only offers entity member. Members include regular members, Director members, and Vice Chair members.

**Article 6**: The GIIC branches are composed of GIIC members.

Non-members wishing to participate in GIIC branches need to firstly join GIIC as members.

Article 7: Members shall designate representatives and contacts, who represent the interests, fulfill the responsibilities, and report in writing to the Secretariat on behalf of the members. Representatives of the Director members and Vice Chair members will attend the Board of Directors meetings.

## Chapter III Membership Qualifications and Application Procedures

**Article 8**: Members shall be enterprises, institutions, or professional organizations engaged in the fields of IoT technology development, product manufacturing, content production, application and service provisioning, etc.

To apply for the Director member, the applicant shall be a large-scale, influential enterprise in the industry or relevant subfields.

To apply for the Vice Chair member, the applicant shall be a leading enterprise in the industry or relevant sub-fields.

**Article 9**: GIIC applicants shall submit the following materials:

- (1) Entity member application form for Global Intelligent Internet of Things Consortium, stamped with the official seal of the applicant;
- (2) Copy of the business license (or legal person registration certificate), stamped with the official seal of the applicant.
- **Article 10**: According to the level of membership, the following procedures shall be applied:
- (1) For applications of regular members, the Board of Directors shall be responsible for approval. During the Board of Directors' recess, the Secretariat is authorized to review membership applications in accordance with the Bylaws and this regulation, and submit them to the Board of Directors for approval.
- (2) For applications of Director members and Vice Chair members, the Board of Directors shall be responsible for approval.

**Article 11**: The Secretariat will handle the member admission formalities and notify members to pay the membership dues as required.

Upon completing the member admission formalities (starting on the date of GIIC approval), the applicant becomes a formal member of GIIC. After paying the membership dues, the GIIC will issue a membership certificate and update relevant information on the official website.

#### **Chapter IV Member Services**

**Article 12**: In addition to the membership rights stipulated in the Bylaws, GIIC members also have the following rights:

- (1) Free or discounted participation in seminars, forums, annual meetings, and other activities organized by GIIC to strengthen exchanges and cooperation with the industry.
- (2) Regular members are eligible to participate in GIIC standard development. Director members and above are eligible to initiate new standard projects.
- (3) According to the level of membership, members can recommend representatives or other responsible persons to

participate in one or multiple GIIC working groups. Director member and above are qualified to serve as chairs and vice chairs of GIIC working groups.

- (4) Director members and above are eligible to recommend representatives or other responsible persons to serve on GIIC committees.
- (5) The official website, Weibo, and WeChat official account of GIIC provide publicity space, promoting member news and showcasing member highlight stories.
- (6) Members get priority access to white papers, technical reports published by GIIC.

### **Chapter V Membership Dues**

**Article 13**: Members shall timely and fully pay the membership dues in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws:

All Members shall pay the annual membership dues before March 31st each year. New GIIC members shall pay the annual membership dues within fifteen working days from the date of receiving the admission notice. For those joining in the first half of the year, the full annual fee shall be paid, while for those joining in the second half of the year, 50% of the annual fee shall be paid.

In case of a change in membership level, the membership dues corresponding the new membership level shall be paid from the following year on, and no refund or supplement shall be made for membership dues already paid.

Article 14: Members may choose to pay the membership dues in cash, by cheque, or via bank transfer according to their own financial policies. For those opting for bank transfer, it is required to clearly specify "Membership Dues" as the purpose of the transfer. GIIC Secretariat shall provide a receipt for the membership dues payment.

#### **Chapter VI Membership Refunds and Violation Handling**

Article 15: Member who wants to exit GIIC shall inform GIIC Secretariat in writing and return the membership certificate.

**Article 16**: Member who breaches laws and regulations, or seriously violates the Bylaws and relevant regulations of GIIC shall be expelled upon approval by the Board of Directors.

Article 17: Member who fails to pay membership dues for one year, or lose its eligibility as legal entity due to cancellation/bankruptcy shall automatically lose its membership.

Article 18: Members that exit GIIC, automatically lose their membership, or are expelled shall be announced by the Secretariat on the official website of GIIC. Their corresponding positions, rights, and obligations in GIIC shall be terminated accordingly.

#### **Chapter VII Supplementary Provisions**

**Article 19**: This regulation shall come into effect upon approval by the General Assembly on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Article 20**: The Board of Directors of GIIC reserves the right to interpret this regulation.

**Article 21** The amendment of this regulation shall be approved by the Board of Directors of GIIC.