

Principles of Membership in the Council for Economic and Business Affairs (OHR UPEL)

The mission of the Council for Economic and Business Affairs is to cooperate with the Institute's Scientific Board in jointly seeking consensus in which the commercial interests of the members of the Council respect expert requirements based on addiction science as well as general medical requirements in the protection of the public interest and civil society.

Members of the Council for Economic and Business Affairs do not advocate, nor will they in the future advocate, illegal handling of psychoactive substances; they do not marginalize such conduct nor support circumvention of the law that would facilitate such conduct. On the contrary, all efforts concentrated within the platform of the Council are directed toward supporting the rule of law and governance by law as the primary pillars of a free civil society.

Membership in the Council for Economic and Business Affairs is open.

Membership arises by decision of the Institute's Board of Directors upon nomination by:

- a member of the Board of Directors,
- the Chair of one of the Councils' chambers,
- the Founder,
- another member of one of the Institute's Boards.

A decision of the Board of Directors to approve a membership nomination requires a two-thirds majority of the present members of the Board of Directors.

Members of the Council may be both persons and legal entities.

Obligations of members of the Council for Economic and Business Affairs, adopted as part of the autonomous decision of the members:

- Membership fee in the amount of CZK 10,000 per month for each member of the Council for Economic and Business Affairs
- Corporate social responsibility contribution in the amount of 1% of the total annual turnover of the respective member of the Council for Economic and Business Affairs – the contribution shall be transferred to the transparent account of the VITA & RATIO Fund and shall be used to finance addiction prevention programs, the scientific and research program of UPEL, and addiction-related services
- The Code of Ethics of the members of the Council for Economic and Business Affairs binds each member with respect to their external activities toward public authorities, business partners, and consumers