

Administrative regulations study tours, to be approved by the foundation

Definitions

Art. 1

- 1 By regulations is meant: these administrative regulations of Stichting van der Waals Buitenlandse Excursies.
- 2 By foundation is meant: Stichting van der Waals Buitenlandse Excursies.
- 3 By board is meant: the board of the foundation.
- 4 By excursion is meant: a visit to a company, institute or university that is focused on acquiring insight, knowledge or experience in the scientific or technical field. Excursion can also refer to activities that serve the purpose of exploring the culture or nature of the country that is visited.
- 5 By BuEx and the study tour abroad, also called STA, is meant: a study tour abroad, organised by a committee of the foundation, with one or more excursions included in the travel schedule.
- 6 By committee is meant: the committee which organises the STA.
- 7 By registrant is meant: someone who has a signed registration form.
- 8 By participant is meant: someone who has a valid participant contract with the foundation.
- 9 By study association is meant: SVTN "J.D. van der Waals".
- 10 By member is meant: someone who is a member of the study association.
- 11 By propaedeutic certificate is meant: the propaedeutic certificate of the department of Applied Physics and Science Education at the Eindhoven University of Technology, or another certificate recognized as equivalent by this department. By the propaedeutic certificate is also meant having passed all obligated first year courses and two elective courses, in the case no propaedeutic certificate was handed over.
- 12 By scientific supervisor is meant: someone who is part of the scientific staff of the department of Applied Physics at the Eindhoven University of Technology, who joins the STA as supervisor.
- 13 By travel continuation is meant: not making use of the organised flight from Brussels to Santiago nor the flight from Montevideo to Brussels.
- 14 By person who continues to travel is meant: a participant who travels directly before or after the STA.

Budget

Art. 2

- 1 Before registration for the STA takes place, a budget created by the committee needs to be approved by the board of the foundation.
- 2 If no action is taken in accordance with the first paragraph of this article, or if, in opinion of the board of the foundation, unreasonable expenses are incurred outside the budget, the expenses may be recovered from the committee members who organise the study tour.

Registration

Art. 3

- 1 Registration for the study tour is in principle open to all members.
- 2 The registration is open for a minimum of two weeks. If, after this period, the number of registrants is less than the number of places available, the organization may extend the registration period. When all places have been filled, the extended registration period ends.
- 3 The opening and closing dates for registration need to be announced at least before the opening date. Preferably it is published via the website of the study association and the promotional screens.
- 4 At the moment of closing the registrations, it is fixed whether a participant will or will not travel directly after or before the STA 2024 Argentina, Chile, and Uruguay, this cannot be adjusted.
- 5 Registration implies a declaration of agreement with these regulations.
- 6 At the registration a deposit of €300,- must be paid. The registrant will receive a receipt of the payment. The receipt is also a certificate of registration. The deposit of €300,- needs to be paid digitally to NL 86 INGB 0008 0355 04.
- 7 The committee will ensure that everyone who registers receives a copy of these regulations and a date on which the lottery will take place.
- 8 The study tour has a minimum of 18 participants. At least ten of these participants need to join the entire STA, including travel to destination (usually flights). The remaining spots will be available for participants who continue to travel before or after the STA (which are called transit places). In the case there are fewer transit places than candidates, lots will be drawn for these places. This drawing of lots will take place after the drawing of lots for the participants. In case a participant is eliminated for the transit place and therefore does not want to join the STA, the participant is obligated to pay the entire journey unless a substitute participant is found.

Admission

Art. 4

- 1 If after the registration period mentioned in article 3, paragraph 2, the number of registrants is higher than the available places, the committee will determine the order of admission for the study tour. Admission is granted for as many enrolments as there are places available.
- 2 The date at which the determination of the order of admission will take place needs to be established at the beginning of the registration period.
- 3 Committee members and scientific supervisors are always admitted.
- 4 The committee can, in consultation with the board, record a target group for the STA. This group is established before the start of the registration period. The target group consists of members who have not participated in a previous STA, and have at least 130 ECTS or are Master's students.
- 5 For the lottery the registrants are divided into the following categories:
 - a Members which are part of the target group, recorded by the committee according to the fifth paragraph of this article. For this group, eight places are available. Students who are eliminated for this category will join the next category to which they belong.
 - b Members in possession of a propaedeutic certificate.
 - c Members which are at the date of determination of the order of admission longer than one year registered at the department of Applied Physics at the Eindhoven University of Technology.
 - d Members.
- 6 The categories will be granted in the order of a up to and including d, starting with category a. Within each category the admission will be determined by drawing lots.
- 7 The drawing of lots will take place with closed notes on which the names of the registrants in the relevant category are written down.

Supervision

Art. 5

- 1 The determination of the order of admission is attended by a supervisor, appointed by the board in consultation with the committee. In order to ensure objectivity, the supervisor is not registered for the STA and not a member of the committee.
- 2 The supervisor shall ensure that the determination of the order of admission is objective and in accordance with the rules of these regulations. The supervisor will report about this determination to the board.
- 3 If the supervisor or the board considers that the determination of the order of admission is not in accordance with these regulations, the board can, in consultation with the supervisor, invalidate the determination of the order of admission.
- 4 If the determination of the order of admission is invalid, a new determination of the order of admission needs to take place. A new supervisor can be appointed for this.

Contract

Art. 6

- 1 Persons who can participate after the admission has been established must sign a participant contract before the 15th of January 2024 and this contract needs to be handed in digitally at the commissioner of the study tour abroad 2024 Argentina, Chile, and Uruguay, or a board member of the foundation before the 15th of January 2024. The deposit from article 3, paragraph 6, will then be deducted from the participant's contribution.
- 2 Persons who have been placed on the reserve list after the admission, will immediately receive their deposit from article 3, paragraph 5.

Hardship clause

Art. 7

1. In cases where neither these rules nor the participant contract provides, the committee shall decide with the approval of the board of the foundation.

Receipt for the deposit and the certificate of registration

Receipt for the deposit of €300,- for the study tour abroad 2024 Argentina, Chile, and Uruguay.
This deposit is paid to Foundation JD-Buex.

Signature first board member of Stichting van der Waals Buitenlandse Excursies:

Signature second board member of Stichting van der Waals Buitenlandse Excursies:

This receipt is also a certificate of registration for the study tour abroad 2024 Argentina, Chile, and Uruguay.