Organization
1. SEAREG will be led by a 6-person Council, which will be led in turn by a Council Chair.
2. Council members will serve 6-year terms, and are eligible for reappointment.
3. Council Chairs will also serve a 6-year term.
4. SEAREG will have a general membership, known as Members, and a more restricted group of Senior Members who are eligible to serve on committees.
5. Elections will be held every 2 years, with 2 council member positions opening at each election.
6. Committees comprised of 1 Council member and 1-2 Senior Members will be appointed every two years to decide key SEAREG business.
7. The first SEAREG Council shall include 4 of the SEAREG Conveners; 2 new Council members shall be elected to serve terms beginning July 1, 2019.

Principles
1. The SEAREG Council and committees shall be no more than 2/3 white males (demographic criteria are determined by self-identification).
2. A SEAREG “year” is July 1 – June 30.

Council selection procedures
1. Anyone may nominate a Senior Member to the Council; a Senior Member may also nominate her- or himself.
2. Eligibility:
   a. Nominees must be Senior Members
   b. Nominees must have served on a SEAREG committee within the last 4 years or hosted a SEAREG conference (note: this criterion is suspended for the first election)
3. Council members are elected by SEAREG senior members.
4. Elections will be conducted electronically by STV.
5. The top two vote recipients consistent with Council composition principles (no more than 2/3 white males) will be seated.
6. If a Council member resigns her/his appointment prior to the end of the term, the Chair will determine responsibility for the vacant committee chair position and the seat will be open at the next Council election.

Council Chair
1. The Chair is elected by a 2/3 majority of the six members of the SEAREG council
2. Chairs serve a six-year term, eligible for re-election

Committee nominations and selection
1. Each committee shall consist of 3 people: a committee chair and 2 committee members.
2. Committees shall serve for a period of two years.
3. The Council Chair will appoint committee chairs from the SEAREG Council.
4. The SEAREG Council appoints the remaining two committee members from the pool of SEAREG Senior Members.
5. Senior Members interested in serving on a committee should contact a member of the SEAREG Council.
6. As a guiding principle, the committees shall be no more than 2/3 white males (demographic criteria are determined by self-identification).

7. Committees will be re-formed every 2 years, after Council elections are complete.

8. The five inaugural committees are:
   a. Young Southeast Asia Fellows selection
   b. Pre-dissertation Fellowships
   c. Public Intellectuals
   d. Conference Host
   e. Travel Grants

9. Committee names and responsibilities may change in response to shifts in organizational need; changes will be announced prior to next election.

10. If a committee member resigns her/his appointment prior to the end of the term, a new member shall be selected by the SEAREG Council and serve through the end of the term.

Ratification of this SEAREG Constitution will be by a majority vote of the Senior Members, as currently composed.

Amendments must be proposed, in writing, by a Senior Member to the SEAREG Council.

Further amendments to this Constitution will require a 2/3 vote of the SEAREG Council with ratification by a majority vote of Senior Members.

**definitions:**

**SEAREG Member**

*eligibility:* has attended a SEAREG event; has received funding from SEAREG

*benefits:* access to data, networks, resources; can apply to present poster at SEAREG event; can register for SEAREG training events (Public Intellectuals, etc.); can receive further financial support from SEAREG

**Senior Member**

*eligibility:* anyone who has hosted a SEAREG event; anyone who has attended (3) SEAREG events in the past (5) years

*benefits:* all Member benefits plus eligible to serve on a committee, vote for Council members, and be nominated to serve on Council

**Council (6)**

*eligibility:* any Senior Member who has served on a Committee within the last (4) years or hosted a SEAREG conference (criterion suspended for the first election)

*principles:*
   - Shall not be more than 2/3 white males

*requirements:*
   - serve 6-year terms, with 2 members rotating off each year (these individuals remain eligible for re-election in future)
   - elected by the Senior Members (including Council)
   - Council will be headed by a Council Chair
**Chair**
- Heads the SEAREG Council; elected by a 2/3 majority of the six members of the SEAREG Council
- Serves a six-year term; eligible for re-election

**SEAREG Organization Chart**

- **Council Member 1**
- **Council Member 2**
- **Council Member 3**
- **Council Member 4**
- **Council Member 5**

- **SEAREG Fellowships**
  - Council Member 1
  - Senior Member 1
  - Senior Member 2

- **Pre-Dissertation Fellowships**
  - Council Member 2
  - Senior Member 3
  - Senior Member 4

- **Public Intellectuals**
  - Council Member 3
  - Senior Member 5
  - Senior Member 6

- **Conference Host**
  - Council Member 4
  - Senior Member 7
  - Senior Member 8

- **Travel Grants**
  - Council Member 5
  - Senior Member 9
  - Senior Member 10

**SEAREG Senior Members (attended at least 3 SEAREG events in 5 years)**

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