We issue the following law that was passed by the Parliament:

Article 1
Foundation - Mission

1. An International Hellenic University (IHU) is founded with seat in Thessaloniki, as an independent and fully self-governed higher education institution and under international distinctive name International Hellenic University. The IHU is a public legal entity supervised by the State, and this supervision is exercised by the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs.

2. The IHU aims at providing higher education particularly to foreigners who are interested in studying in the Hellenic Republic.

3. For the accomplishment of its mission, the IHU organizes and performs Programmes of Studies at
undergraduate and postgraduate level, by using teaching with attendance and giving the opportunity for distance learning.

4. The IHU may cooperate with the other Universities of the country and equal Universities abroad.

Article 2
Structure

1. The IHU consists of three Schools: the School of Human Sciences, the School of Economics and Administration, and the School of Technology Sciences. These Schools provide Programmes of Studies, for each one of which an Academic Head is appointed. The Programmes of Studies both at undergraduate and postgraduate level correspond to the programmes of studies of the other Universities of the country and lead to respective equivalent degrees (bachelor, master's and doctorate). By a decision of the Senate of the IHU, which is ratified by a decision of the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs, the IHU may provide university distance learning, whose Programmes of Studies should not exceed in number the twenty percent (20%) of those with attendance learning.

2. By a presidential decree issued following a proposal of the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs and the Minister of Economy and Finance, and following an opinion of the IHU's Senate and of the National Education Council (NEC), pursuant to the
Article 3

Administration - Organization

1. The administration bodies of the IHU are the Senate, the Rector and the Vice-Rector, and of its Schools their General Assemblies, the Deans and Deputy Deans. The IHU operates self-reliantly when it elects Deans in its three Schools. In each IHU's School, a Dean may be elected provided that ten (10) members of the Teaching and Research Staff (TRS) have been appointed in it, out of which two (2) at the rank of Professor.

2. Until the self-reliant operation of the University, its administration and management is exercised by a nine-member Governing Committee (GC), whose members are appointed by a decision of the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs. By the same decision, its Chairman and Vice-Chairman are appointed out of its members. As members of the GC the following are appointed:

a) TRS members of the Universities of the country, professors emeritus or Greek scientists holding respective positions in equal foreign Universities, and

b) persons of any citizenship, prestigious, coming from the field of sciences, letters and art or with
prominent role in the political, social, economic, cultural and productive activity of the country or with knowledge and experience in matters of planning, organization and administration of Universities.

3. The GC exercises the duties of the Senate and Deaneries. Until the Senate forms a body, the Chairman of the GC exercises the duties of the Rector. Until it is possible to elect a Dean at each School, its duties are exercised by the Chairman of the GC or another member of the GC appointed by the GC. The Vice-Chairman of the GC exercises the duties of the Vice-Rector and substitutes the Chairman of the GC. For the operation of the GC, the provisions each time in force related to the operation of the collective university bodies apply and, complementarily, the provisions of law 2690/1999 (Official Gazette 45 A').

4. The Senate is the supreme administration body of the IHU and has the competence symbol. The Senate exercises the competencies determined by the corresponding provisions in force on Universities, towards the Senate and the Rector's Council. The Senate consists of the Rector, the Vice-Rector, the Deans, one TRS member of the IHU from each School and one students' representative, determined according to the IHU's Organization. The Senate decides on matters of its competence by voting and in case of equality in votes, the Rector's vote prevails over. TRS members of the IHU
Who participate in the Senate are elected by balloting for one (1) year out of the total of TRS members of the IHU of each School respectively. For the election procedure, each time provisions in force on Universities apply. During the meetings of the Senate, Secretary’s duties are performed by an IHU employee, who is determined together with his/her substitute under a Senate’s decision. The Senate convenes ordinarily once a month and extraordinarily when the one third of its members request it in writing. The Senate may form committees or councils from members of IHU’s staff with certain competencies.

5. The Rector exercises the competencies defined by the respective provisions in force on Universities. The Vice-Rector substitutes the Rector when he is absent, is hindered or is missing, is competent for the financial cases of the IHU and exercises all those competencies granted to him by the Rector. The Rector and the Vice-Rector are elected by balloting for four years by an electoral body, which consists of the total of TRS members of the IHU. Candidates for the position of the Rector and Vice-Rector are Professors or Associate Professors, TRS members of the IHU. In case that there are no candidacies for any reason, either from the rank of Professor or from the rank of Associate Professor, then any Professor of a Greek University from another institution can stand as candidate. For the election procedure of the Rector and
6. The Administration Bodies of IHU's Schools are the Dean, his/her Deputy and the General Assembly of the School. The Dean exercises the competencies determined by the provisions in force on Universities for the Head of the Department and the Dean of the School. The Dean and his/her Deputy are elected for two (2) years by balloting by an electoral body, which consists of the total of TRS members of the IHU, who belong to the familiar School. Candidates for the position of the Dean and his/her Deputy may be Professors or Associate Professors, TRS members of the IHU, who belong to the particular School. The procedure to be followed for the election of the Dean and Deputy Dean is the one provided for the election of the Rector of the University. During their tenure, the Dean and Deputy Dean may exempt from their teaching duties.

7. The General Assembly is the supreme body of the School. It consists of the Dean, his/her Deputy Dean and all TRS members of the IHU of the School. It decides on matters of its competence by voting and in case of equality in votes, the Dean's vote prevails over.
General Assembly sees after the smooth operation of the Programmes of Studies belonging to it, allocates the appropriations provided to it by the Senate, introduces to the Senate the operation of new Programmes of Studies or the annulment of old ones, and exercises all competencies mentioned in this law.

8. The operation of the administration bodies of the IHU is regulated based on the legislation in force on Universities, except the matters regulated by the provisions of this law.

Article 4

Selection of students - Rights and obligations

1. The Programmes of Studies direct particularly to foreign students, for whom special programmes of Greek language learning can operate in parallel, following a well-founded proposal of the Dean of the respective School and a Senate's decision.

2. The selection of students is made after an international invitation of interest, which is published in the website of the Ministry of National Education and Religious Affairs and is also notified in the Embassies of the Hellenic Republic in all countries to which the invitation addresses as the case may be. The prerequisites for registration of undergraduate students are: (i) holding a graduation certificate of foreign secondary education equivalent or corresponding to the graduation certificate of the Greek Upper
Secondary School (Lykeio), (ii) permanent residence and stay outside the Hellenic Republic for the last six (6) years before the time of application submission. The prerequisites for registration of postgraduate students are:

(i) holding of a foreign degree equivalent or corresponding to the degrees of the Greek HEI and IHU;

(ii) permanent residence and stay outside the Hellenic Republic for the last six (6) years before the time of application submission, except if they are graduates of the IHU.

3. By a decision of the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs, following an introduction of the Senate, the number of the provided entrances for the students of undergraduate and postgraduate level per Programme of Studies for each academic year is determined. In case that the number of interested persons is more than the number of available entrances, the selection is made after assessment of the applications, which is carried out under the responsibility of the Dean of each School.

4. By a presidential decree, issued following a proposal of the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs and following an opinion of the IHU’s Senate and of the National Education Council, pursuant to the provisions in force, the criteria for assessment of the applications and the selection of candidates are
determined, according to paragraphs 2 and 3 of this article, as well as the gravity factors of these criteria.

5. By decisions of the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs and of the competent in substance Minister, the provisions and facilitations that the IHU students are entitled to are determined, in proportion to those provided for by the provisions in force for the students of higher education institutions, particularly concerning the movements, scholarships, conditions on exemption from the obligation of financial participation and medical and hospital care.

6. Student status is acquired by registration in the IHU and is rejected by being awarded a degree or by his/her erasure due to disciplinary offence. Students are entitled to use the facilities and means, with which the IHU is equipped for the fulfilment of its educational work.

Article 5
Teaching - Educational staff - Financial participation

1. The teaching of lessons of the Programmes of Studies is made in the English language. In special cases determined by a Senate's decision, lessons may be carried out in any other language, including the Greek one. The studies combine the characteristics of attendance teaching with the characteristics of
distance teaching and full utilization of the facilities of modern technologies.

2. The teaching of lessons is made:
   i) by members of the Teaching and Research Staff (TRS) of the University, and
   ii) by teachers under contracts, pursuant to the provisions of the p.d. 407/1980 (Official Gazette 112 A'), or by Visiting Professors or by Authorized Assistant Professors or by Special Scientists, pursuant to the provisions in force.

3. The assistance to the teaching work is made by members of the Special and Laboratory Teaching Staff (SLTS) and by members of the Special Laboratory Technical Staff (SLTechS) of the University.

4. Forty-five (45) positions of Teaching and Research Staff (TRS) consist in the IHU, which are allocated in the three Schools as follows:
   i) in the School of Human Sciences, fifteen (15) TRS positions,
   ii) in the School of Economics and Administration, fifteen (15) TRS positions,
   iii) in the School of Technology Sciences, fifteen (15) TRS positions.

   These positions are announced, exceptionally to the planning procedure, by a decision of the Governing Committee of the IHU, or when the IHU's operation is self-reliant, by a decision of the Senate. The decisions of the previous sentence are approved by
the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs and are published in the Official Gazette. The calling in of foreign scientists is possible at vacant positions of TRS members, pursuant to the provisions in force.

5. Fifteen (15) positions of the Special and Laboratory Teaching Staff (SLTS) and fifteen (15) positions by members of the Special Laboratory Technical Staff (SLTechS) consist in the IHU, which are allocated in the three Schools as follows:

i) in the School of Human Sciences, five (5) SLTS positions and five (5) SLTechS positions,

ii) in the School of Economics and Administration, five (5) SLTS positions and five (5) SLTechS positions,

iii) in the School of Technology Sciences, five (5) SLTS positions and five (5) SLTechS positions.

6. The students of the IHU who participate in programmes of undergraduate and postgraduate studies or in programmes of distance learning participate financially in covering operation costs of these programmes; the rate of this participation is fixed by a joint decision of the Minister of Economy and Finance and the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs, following an opinion of the Senate. The procedure for paying the financial participation on behalf of the students according to the provisions of this paragraph, as well...
as any other relevant detail, is regulated by the Organization of the IHU.

The Educational Staff of the IHU (TRS, SLTS) and SLTechS is elected and appointed pursuant to the legislation in force on Universities. The same applies for matters concerning their official statuses, their leaves and their disciplinary responsibility. Moreover, the excellent knowledge of the English language is a prerequisite for appointment of the Educational Staff of the IHU and SLTechS.

Article 6

Administrative services - Administrative support

1. For the administrative support of the IHU, a Directorate of Administrative Services and independent Offices of Rectorship and Legal Counsel consist in the seat of the Institution. The Directorate of Administrative Services is structured in the following nine departments: a) Student Registry, b) Education, c) Personnel, d) Financial Affairs, e) Facilities, f) Library, g) Academic Bodies, h) Management of Special Account, i) Public and International Relations.

2. By a Senate's decision, following an introduction of the Head of Administrative Services of the IHU, the competencies of the Departments and Offices of the IHU are particularly determined.

3. By a joint decision of the Minister of Economy and Finance and the Minister of National Education and
Religious Affairs, following an introduction of the IHU’s Senate, Departments and Offices may be established, suspended, merged and renamed.

4. One (1) position of Head of Administrative Services of the category of special positions under grade B’ and thirty-three (33) positions of permanent employees consist in the IHU, which 33 positions are distributed per category as follows:

i) University Education (UE) category nine (9) positions,

ii) Technological Education (TE) category nine (9) positions,

iii) Secondary Education (SE) category twelve (12) positions,

iv) Compulsory Education (CE) category three (3) positions.

5. For matters of official status of the administrative staff of the IHU, the provisions each time in force for the employees of Public Legal Entities apply. The formation and composition of the official council of the above employees are made according to the provisions on official councils of Universities.

6. The partial branches and positions of each category are determined by the IHU’s Organization after Senate’s proposal. Under the same procedure, the branches out of which the heads of the administrative units are selected of sentence a’, paragraph 1 of this article are determined. The filling of the positions of IHU’s
administrative staff is made pursuant to the provisions in force on employment in the public sector. As necessary qualification for appointment of IHU's administrative staff, beyond those mentioned in the previous sentences of this paragraph, is the excellent knowledge of the English language for the employees of branches UE and TE categories, the very good knowledge of the English language for the employees of SE category and the good knowledge of the English language for the employees of CE category.

7. In exceptional cases, following an introduction of the Rector, the University Senate may appoint, under a private law contract of definite time, employees for dealing with extraordinary and transient needs of the Institution. The hiring procedure as well as the qualifications of the appointed persons are determined according to the procedure in force on appointments in the public sector. By a joint decision of the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs, the Minister of Economy and Finance and the Minister of Interior, Public Administration and Decentralization, the number of the employees that the Senate may appoint under a private law contract of definite time is fixed per year. The earnings of these employees are fixed pursuant to the provisions of law 1876/1990 (Official Gazette 27 A'). Necessary qualification of the staff to be appointed according to this paragraph, beyond those
8. The Head of the Administrative Services of the IHU is selected by the IHU’s Senate, following a procedure of open announcement. By a decision of the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs, his/her selection qualifications are defined. His/her tenure is three years and may be renewed only once. His/her competencies include the exercise of administrative supervision, the control and coordination of administrative services of the Institution, and he/she is responsible for their smooth functioning within the framework of guidelines and decisions of the Rector and Senate. The Head of Administrative Services of the IHU participates, without vote, in the meetings of the Senate, when issues of administrative nature are examined and he/she introduces these issues. He/she sees after the execution of the decisions of the Senate, as well as of the other collective bodies of the University. He/she participates in the Official Judgment Council of the employees of the Institution as introducer. The Rector, by his/her deeds, may grant each time to the Head of Administrative Services of the University the duties of ordering person of the expenses of the Institution for certain items of expenses and of payer of earnings of any staff whatsoever. By his/her decision, the Rector may grant to the Head of Administrative Services of the IHU, as mentioned in the previous sentences of this paragraph, is the excellent knowledge of the English language.
well as to the Heads of the Departments, the right of signing documents.

9. The Legal Counsel directs the Legal Office of the Institution. As Legal Counsel a lawyer of the Supreme Court is employed with excellent knowledge of the English language, in implementation of the provisions of law 1649/1986 (Official Gazette 149 A'). The Legal Counsel bears the responsibility of legally serving the Institution in judicial or extrajudicial cases and legally guiding the authorities and services of the Institution with opinions or advices. He/She appears before any court or Authority and has from his/her position and without other proof the required by the law authorization for appearing before all courts during the hearing of any kind of cases of the University. The earnings of the Legal Counsel are fixed pursuant to the provisions of article 2, law 1093/1980 (Official Gazette 270 A'), as these were amended by article 12, law 1816/1988 (Official Gazette 251 A') and are effective each time.

Article 7

Resources - Financial Management - Special Account

1. The resources of the IHU come from:

   (i) the regular budget of the State and the scheme of public investments, as government subsidy pursuant to the provisions in force on Universities,
(ii) European, international and intergovernmental programmes,
(iii) the participation of the students according to paragraph 6, article 5 of this law,
(iv) revenues from researches, studies, rendering of services and information, publications and income of any kind from its activities,
(v) revenues from utilization of its property and every other property asset provided to the Institution by public and private agencies or natural persons and legal entities, domestic and foreign ones,
(vi) grants.

2. The financial management of the IHU is governed by the provisions in force on Universities.

3. In the IHU a Special Account consists and operates, pursuant to the provisions of law 2771/1999 and other special provisions on Special Accounts of Research Items of Universities.

4. The Committee of Special Account Management of the IHU consists of the Vice-Rector, as Chairman, the Deans of the Schools and the Head of Administrative Services of the IHU. Duties of Secretary of the Committee of Special Account Management of the IHU are exercised by the Head of the Department of Special Account Management and, in case of impediment, by an employee of this Department, who is appointed by his/her Head. The general guidelines for operation and management of
the above account as well as the duties of the above Committee are determined by the provisions in force on Universities.

Article 8
Other provisions

1. By a presidential decree, issued at the latest within two (2) years as of the composition of the Governing Committee, following a proposal of the Minister of National Education and Religious Affairs, the Minister of Interior, Public Administration and Decentralization and the Minister of Economy and Finance, the Organization of the IHU is ratified, by virtue of which the particular details of the matters concerning particularly the filling of TRS positions, administration, members and procedure of selection and appointment of administration bodies, organization, formation of positions, issue of operation organization, issue of regulation of studies, other requirements of student registration, awarding and content of degrees, resources, property and financial management, official status of staff and every other matter relating to the organization and operation of the IHU are regulated.

2. For all matters not regulated by this law, the respective provisions in force of the legislation on Universities apply.
Article 12

Final provisions

The validity of this law commences as of its publication in the Official Gazette, unless otherwise laid down in its individual provisions.

We order the publication hereof in the Official Gazette and its implementation as a law of the State.

Athens, September 30, 2005

THE PRESIDENT OF THE HELLENIC REPUBLIC

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