

**Bylaws of the UK Association for Computational Mechanics**  
**26<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

**1. Name**

- 1.1. The name of the association will be The UK Association for Computational Mechanics (hereafter UKACM).**
- 1.2. UKACM will have no set geographical seat in the UK but will rotate to follow the current President of UKACM.**

**2. Objectives**

**2.1. The objectives of UKACM are:**

- **To promote, foster, organise and coordinate various activities concerning computational mechanics in the UK.**
- **To promote advanced research in computational mechanics for industrial applications.**
- **To stimulate and promote education in computational engineering and science.**
- **To improve the gender balance of researchers in computational mechanics.**
- **To provide forums and meetings for the dissemination of knowledge.**

**3. Management**

- 3.1. The governing body of the Association shall be the Executive Committee. The membership of the Executive Committee shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Webmaster, Prizes Coordinator and EYIC representative, plus the previous Conference Chair, Current Conference Chair & Incoming Conference Chair.**
- 3.2. Up to a maximum of four additional members may be co-opted onto the Executive Committee, e.g. UK members of the ECCOMAS and IACM committees.**
- 3.3. The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Webmaster, Prizes Coordinator and Treasurer will each be subject to three-year terms (renewable).**
- 3.4. The UKACM Board shall comprise one representative from each UK university (if available). Its remit will be:**
- **To promote the objectives of UKACM (2.1)**
  - **To elect representatives for ECCOMAS and IACM.**
  - **To determine the locations of the annual UKACM conference.**
- 3.5. Each Individual Member of the UKACM Board shall have one vote in the election of members of the Executive Committee and in such matters as are to be voted upon that are of broad concern to the Association.**

#### **4. Activities**

- 4.1. UKACM will be the only association representing the UK in the European Community on Computational Methods in Applied Sciences (ECCOMAS) and in the International Association for Computational Mechanics (IACM).**
- 4.2. The main activity of UKACM shall be to run an annual conference in the UK offering a forum for academics and graduate students to present their research on developments in computational mechanics. The conference organisers will receive a document, approved by the Executive Committee, with guidelines and recommendations for the organisation of the conference (e.g. inclusion of plenary speakers, organisation of a School prior to the conference, annual member subscription fees to be paid by the organiser to UKACM).**
- 4.3. UKACM will hold a meeting of its Executive Committee twice a year. One meeting during the annual conference and one videoconference meeting in November/December.**
- 4.4. UKACM will hold a meeting of its Board once a year, during the annual conference.**
- 4.5. UKACM will act as the body making proposals from the UK on ECCOMAS and IACM prizes.**

#### **5. Membership**

- 5.1. UKACM membership will be on an individual subscription basis, renewed annually.**
- 5.2. The UKACM Secretary will provide a yearly updated list of UKACM members to ECCOMAS and IACM following the annual conference in April/May.**

#### **6. Finances**

- 6.1. The fiscal year begins on January 1st and ends on December 31st.**
- 6.2. The annual subscription fee for each UKACM member will be determined and agreed by the UKACM Board.**

#### **7. Amendments of the bylaws and dissolution**

- 7.1. Any Board member can present a proposal to the Board to amend the By-laws or to dissolve the Association. Each proposal to amend the By-laws (including the dissolution of the Association) shall be considered by the Board at its annual meeting if possible, or via email if not.**
- 7.2. A decision is adopted only if passed by a 2/3 majority of the Board members.**
- 7.3. The amendment to the By-laws will become effective immediately after having been adopted by the Board.**
- 7.4. The Executive Committee will decide the way the Association will be dissolved.**