

ASSOCIATION STATUTE
BOCCONI AI AND NEUROSCIENCE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION (BAINSA)



1. NAME AND LOCATION

The student association “Bocconi AI and Neuroscience Student Association” has been established in compliance with Title I, Chapter III, article 36 and subsequent articles of the Italian Civil Code, as well as university regulations and this statute.

The association’s registered office is in Milan (MI), Via Vittadini, 31.

2. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The association is free, non-partisan, non-political and non-profit.

The purpose is to pursue the following objectives:

- a) Enrich Association members with technical skills related to AI and Neuroscience (and the interconnection of the two disciplines) and social/professional skills by working on the activities carried out by the Association in a professional environment.
- b) Enrich Bocconi community with knowledge on AI and Neuroscience (and the interconnection of the two disciplines) by organizing events and possibly other types of activities open to all students in Bocconi University and at the SDA Bocconi School of Management.
- c) Provide the Association members with contacts and networking opportunities related to the fields of AI and Neuroscience (and particularly the interconnection between the two disciplines) by organizing events, carrying out interviews, taking part in projects, and similar activities.

3. ACTIVITIES

The association shall pursue these objectives mainly through the following activities, which may in no way overlap with the University’s institutional activities:

- a) Carrying out Research projects related to AI and Neuroscience in collaboration with other Bocconi student associations and/or with external bodies.
- b) Writing articles and possibly other contents (such as audio/video contents) for the blog/website/social media accounts of the Association on topics that include AI tools, their creation and its relationship to Neuroscience, Neuroscience-related discoveries, and others that directly or indirectly relate to the two subjects.
- c) Organizing events, talks, conferences open to all Bocconi students by inviting representative of external companies, external professors, external associations, and others on topics related to AI, Neuroscience, and the interconnection of the two disciplines.

- d) Managing the Social Media accounts of the association and the communication work related to the organization of the activities carried out by the association and the advertisement of these activities.

The association may not carry out activities other than those listed above, with the exception of those which are directly connected or by nature are inherent to those of the statute, being supplementary to them.

4. APPLICATION AND ADMISSION PROCESS

The association refrains from any form of discrimination (such as, for example, discrimination based on race, religion, sexual orientation, gender or disability). Academic performance may not be a criterion for admission to an association.

Anyone interested in participating in the association must submit a specific application declaring they share the objectives and aims that the association pursues and accepts this Statute without reservation.

The Board shall decide on the admission of members by a simple majority. However, the association is free to decline an application following a legitimate explanation.

5. MEMBERS

“Members” of the student association are defined as anyone who shares the purpose and ideals of the association and participate in it during its existence, according to what is set out in article, and meets the following requirements:

- are enrolled (regularly or as a repeating student) in a Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, Integrated Master of Arts, Specialized Master or PhD program at Bocconi University or in a Master at the SDA Bocconi School of Management
- have paid the membership fee

6. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS

Membership in the association entails the right to vote in the Assembly for all members.

Members have the right to hold association positions within the association and the right to participate in the life of the association and the activities promoted by the Association.

All members have the duty of complying with the statute regulations.

They have the right to be informed on the association’s activities and to be reimbursed for actual costs incurred when carrying out activities.

7. LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP STATUS

The status of member can be lost due to:

- No longer meeting the requirements described in article 3: students who have graduated or, in any case, are no longer enrolled in Bocconi University or the SDA Bocconi School of Management shall lose membership status.
- Withdrawal: all members can communicate their desire to withdraw from the association at any time; withdrawal shall take effect at the time the President has been notified.
- Disqualification due to serious reasons and decided by the Assembly

8. BODIES OF THE ASSOCIATION AND THEIR FUNCTIONS

The association is made up of the following bodies:

- a) Assembly
- b) President
- c) Vice President
- d) Board

9. ASSEMBLY

The Assembly is composed of all the members of the association. All members have an equal right to vote. The Assembly is the most important event, aimed at ensuring the association is managed correctly and democratically.

The Assembly shall be convened by the President ordinarily at least twice per year and extraordinarily any time required or requested by the Board or by at least 1/10 of the members.

The Assembly must be convened through written communication or public notice at least 5 days before the date of the Assembly.

Assembly proceedings shall go into effect with a vote in favor from a simple majority of those attending.

The Assembly has the following tasks:

- Elect the President, the Vice President and the Board
- Approve the annual budget and accounts
- Approve internal regulations
- Decide on any other issue under discussion
- Decide on changes to the Statute and possible dissolution of the association

Minutes signed by the President and the Vice President shall be drafted for each assembly and made available so that appropriate disclosure is given to the Assembly's decisions.

10. PRESIDENT

The President shall be elected by the Assembly with a term of 1 year and in any case not longer than the completion of a degree. The President is the legal representative of the Association for all intents and purposes and vis-à-vis the University.

The President shall:

- convene and chair the Assembly and the Board
- undersign all administrative documents completed by the Association
- ensure that the Assembly functions correctly
- perform representative duties pertinent to their functions
- check that decisions made by the Assembly are correctly applied
- administrate the association's assets and resources according to the wishes of the Assembly
- grant special power of attorney to members for managing various activities upon approval of the Board.

11. VICE PRESIDENT

The Vice President shall be elected by the Assembly, with a term of 1 year. The Vice President is the legal representative of the association and carries out the President's function in his/her absence, impediment or resignation. In the event of the President's resignation, the Vice President shall convene the Assembly to elect a new President within one month of the resignation.

12. BOARD

The Board shall be made up 7 members, including the of President and the Vice President, elected by the Assembly out of its members, with a term of 1 year.

If a member of the Board resigns, the Assembly will find a substitution.

The Board is the Association's executive body and shall meet whenever the President deems it necessary, or if a request is made by at least half of the members of the Board.

The Board has all the powers of ordinary administration, including but not limited to:

- preparing documents to submit to the Assembly
- formalizing proposals for managing the Association
- carrying out general directives decided on by the Assembly

- drafting the annual budget and accounts
- establishing the amount for annual membership fees
- deciding on the admission of members, upon correct submission of applications.

The Board shall be duly convened with the attendance of the majority of board members and proceedings shall go into effect with a vote in favor from the majority of attending board members. In the event of a tie, the vote of the President will be decisive.

Minutes shall be drawn up for each Board meeting.

13. FINAL PROVISIONS

In pursuing its goals and activities, the association pledges to not adopt potentially humiliating conduct (hazing) towards members or other persons. The association further commits to avoiding, both on and off campus, any conduct that could damage the mental or physical health of a student or any other person, undermine their dignity or put them in a situation of considerable stress.

For all matters not included in this Statute, the current regulations in force shall be valid.

Any change to this Statute shall be communicated immediately to the qualified offices at Bocconi University