

IURIS CANONICI MEDII AEVI CONSOCIATIO (ICMAC)
Society for Medieval Canon Law

Charter

§ 1 The name of the Society shall be IURIS CANONICI MEDII AEVI CONSOCIATIO (ICMAC) Society for Medieval Canon Law. The charter of the Society is available in English and in German.

§ 2 The Society has its legal residence in Zürich (Switzerland)

§ 3 The society supports research, publications and instruction in medieval canon law and takes special interest in libraries that support these studies. It cultivates international cooperation among scholars and association with scholarly and learned societies, especially cooperation with the Institute of Medieval Canon Law/IMCL (Berkeley/California and Munich/Germany).

§ 4 As its principal task, the Society aims to assure the organization of international scholarly congresses in the field of medieval canon law, at intervals of four years, in agreement with the Institute of Medieval Canon Law. So far as possible, the congresses should take place, in alternation, on the European and North American continents.

§ 5 The members meeting together constitute the governing body of the Society. The board of directors will convene meetings at intervals of four years, so far as possible during the congress of medieval canon law. A quorum shall consist in 25% of the members of the Society registered for the congress at which the meeting is to take place. In the rare event that the Society meets at a time other than in conjunction with a congress, a quorum shall consist in 25% of the members in good standing.

§ 6 The board of directors consists of four officers: the president, the vice president, the secretary, and the treasurer. One of the two presiding officers should be resident in Europe, the other in North America. The person principally responsible for organizing the next congress of medieval canon law shall be an ex officio member of the board.

§ 7 An advisory board of ten members shall be selected from at least five countries. The president of the IMCL is an ex officio member of the advisory board.

§ 8 Every four years, the members shall elect, by simple majority, the officers of the board of director and the members of the advisory board. Under normal circumstances, this election shall be conducted by mail ballot at a time that permits the officers to report its result at the quadrennial meeting. In special circumstances, the board of directors may decide to hold the election at the meeting of the society. The slate of candidates for election to the offices and advisory board of the Society shall be prepared by a nominating committee. The nominating committee shall consist of five members representing five countries and shall be appointed by the board of directors. No officer or member of the advisory board shall be a member of the nominating committee. In case of death or resignation of an officer or a member of the advisory board, the board of directors may fill the vacancy until the next regular election.

§ 9 Membership can be acquired by natural and juridical persons. Applicants for membership should contact the secretary of the Society.

§ 10 The society shall have several categories of members, consisting of:

- a. Regular members
- b. Life members
- c. Untenured faculty and student members
- d. Corporate members
- e. Patrons of the Society

The dues for each of the categories shall be established by the Society upon the recommendation of the board of directors in consultation with the advisory board.

§ 11 The Society takes full and exclusive responsibility, from its own resources, for the Society's obligations.