



ROMANIAN TIER-2 FEDERATION  
RO-LCG

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**BYLAWS OF THE  
RO-LCG STEERING COMMITTEE**

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RO-LCG is a consortium of Romanian research and academic institutions that jointly participate to the Worldwide LHC Computing Grid collaboration (WLCG), providing support for the offline computing needs of the ALICE, ATLAS and LHCb experiments. The coordination between the Romanian LCG team and the Romanian experimental groups regarding the activities related to the LHC computing is supervised by an informal body, the RO-LCG Steering Committee. This document establishes the mission, the organization, the tasks and the working procedures of the Steering Committee.

## **Article 1 – Definition of terms**

Whenever used in these Statutes, the following terms, beginning with capital letters, will bear the meaning defined in this article.

### **1.1 RO-LCG**

*RO-LCG* is the acronym of the *Romanian Tier-2 Federation*, a consortium of research and academic institutions that jointly participate to the *Worldwide LHC Computing Grid collaboration* (WLCG), providing support for the offline computing needs of the ALICE, ATLAS and LHCb experiments.

### **1.2 Team(s)**

A *Team* is defined throughout this document as one of the four Romanian groups that participate in the following LHC collaborations: ALICE, ATLAS, LHCb, and WLCG. The *LCG Team* is the Romanian group of persons that primarily participate in the WLCG collaboration.

### **1.3 Steering Committee (SC)**

The *Steering Committee* is the body that supervises the coordination of the common activities of the Teams which are related to the LHC offline computing provided by RO-LCG.

## **Article 2 – Mission**

The primary mission of the Steering Committee is to supervise the coordination between the Teams regarding the development of the common activities related to the WLCG in Romania.

## **Article 3 – Composition**

3.1 The Steering Committee is composed of the leaders and the deputies (or the computing coordinators) of the Teams.

3.2 The chair of the SC is the leader of the LCG Team.

## **Article 4 – Functions**

The main tasks of the Steering Committee for ensuring the coherence of the activities regarding the WLCG are:

4.1 to provide a forum of discussion and cooperation within the Teams concerning the actions required for the computational support of the LHC Experiments.

4.2 to identify the strategic priorities in the planning of the computing investments, such as resources allocation, technology choices, etc.

4.3 to plan the medium- and long-term strategy of the RO-LCG Federation in agreement with the strategies of the ALICE, ATLAS, LHCb and LCG experiments and with the specific conditions at the national level;

4.4 to foster the Teams' cooperation in establishing the annual pledge in resources of RO-LCG for the WLCG collaboration;

4.5. to advise and reach a community agreed technical solution regarding resource provision and allocation within RO-LCG taking into account each member financial context and technical variables.

4.6 to establish the global network requirements for the Magurele communications node and for the connection of RO-LCG to GEANT, based on the individual requests of the Teams;

4.7 to correlate, as much as possible, the individual infrastructure investments of the Teams in order to optimize the Romanian contribution to four of the LHC collaborations - WLCG, ALICE, ATLAS, and LHCb;

4.8 to discuss and solve, if possible, the issues raised by any RO-LCG member, if these are of the SC's competence, as defined by the tasks 4.1-4.5 above;

4.9 to elaborate and approve documents and reports that express the SC's decisions or are required by the tutelary institutions and related bodies.

#### **Article 5 – Member responsibilities**

5.1 The SC's members commit themselves to collaborate for solving the tasks listed in the Article 4.

5.2 The SC's members will respect the present Bylaws and the decisions of the SC.

5.3 The SC's members will maintain the confidentiality of the matters that will be established as confidential by the SC.

#### **Article 6 – Meetings and communication**

6.1 The Steering Committee usually meets on the occasion of the monthly RO-LCG meetings, or under the request of any of the members.

6.2 Each meeting of the SC shall be attended, physically or remotely, by at least one member from each Team.

6.3 The SC meetings may be attended by specialists or/and decision factors, if necessary.

6.4 The SC meetings are organized and chaired by the leader of the LCG Team.

6.5 If not confidential, the minutes of the SC meetings will be published, in English, on the RO-LCG website.

6.6 The communication between the SC members outside the meetings can be conducted through a dedicated mailing list.

6.7 Messages, reports, documents and any other form of communication can be sent or published in the name of the SC only after the prior approval by all the SC members.

#### **Article 7 – Working procedures**

7.1 The convener of the Steering Committee's meetings is the leader of the LCG Team.

7.2 Any SC meeting is announced to all the SC members with at least one week in advance. The announcement propose an agenda, a venue, and one or more possible dates for the meeting.

7.3 The date and place of the meeting are established with the agreement of all participants, within 72 hours since the first announcement.

7.4 Additional agenda items may be submitted to the convener by the SC members within 72 hours since the first announcement.

7.5 The final agenda (which includes all the items suggested by the SC members), the venue and the date of the meeting are announced by the convener within 96 hours since the first announcement.

7.6 If extraordinary circumstances prevent adherence to the above schedule, the convener shall make any possible effort to follow the schedule as close as possible.

7.7 The SC appoints a note taker at the beginning of the meeting.

7.8 All the decisions of the SC will be taken by voting, as described in Article 8.

7.9 The SC may appoint one or more of its members to follow and report on the implementation of specific decisions.

#### **Article 8 – Decision Making**

8.1 The SC's decisions are taken by the open vote of the SC members. Each Team can cast only one vote.

8.2 The decisions of the SC will generally be adopted by consensus, if not affecting the Team's participation to the LHC collaborations. The SC's decisions that can influence the participation of any of the Teams to a LHC collaboration will be adopted by unanimous vote.

8.3 The decisions of the SC should not have any negative impact on the present or future activities within any Team.

8.4 The decisions of the SC have to be followed by the RO-LCG members as far as they concern their specific activity within RO-LCG.

8.5 The decisions of the SC regarding the strategy of the RO-LCG Federation will be adopted by unanimous vote.

**Article 9 – Final provisions**

9.1 This Statute can only be modified through the agreement of all the Team leaders.

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