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• ESTABLISHMENT OF CATEGORY 2 INSTITUTES AND CENTRES UNDER THE AUSPICES OF UNESCO

PART II

ESTABLISHMENT IN SLOVENIA, OF AN INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (IRCAI) AS A CATEGORY 2 CENTRE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF UNESCO

OUTLINE

Source: 37 C/Resolution 93 and 206 EX/Decision 18.II

Background: Following a proposal by the Government of Slovenia to establish in Ljubljana, Slovenia, an International Research Centre on Artificial Intelligence (IRCAI), as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO at the Jožef Stefan Institute, Ljubljana, a UNESCO technical mission was undertaken in January 2019 to assess its feasibility. The evaluation of the proposal was carried out in conformity with the criteria outlined in document [37 C/18 Part I](#).

Purpose: Following 206 EX/Decision 18.II, the present document contains a draft resolution for the approval of the granting to the Centre of the status of a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO. For reference, document [206 EX/18.II](#) describes the proposal and reviews the prerequisites for the establishment of the IRCAI as a category 2 centre, in conformity with document [37 C/18 Part I](#) relating to the principles and guidelines for the establishment and functioning of institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2) as approved by the General Conference in 37 C/Resolution 93.

Decision required: paragraph 3.



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Conclusion

1. The Executive Board, at its 206th session, considered document [206 EX/18 Part II](#) on the proposed establishment in Ljubljana, Slovenia, of the International Research Centre on Artificial Intelligence as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO. Having examined the above document, which describes the proposal and analyses its feasibility in accordance with the guidelines contained in document [37 C/18 Part I](#) relating to the principles and guidelines for the establishment and functioning of institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2) as approved by the General Conference in 37 C/Resolution 93, the Executive Board welcomed the proposal to place this Centre under UNESCO's auspices.

2. The Executive Board subsequently recommended (206 EX/Decision 18.II) that the General Conference, at its 40th session, approve the proposal to grant to the said Centre the status of a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO; and that it authorize the Director-General to sign an agreement between UNESCO and the Government of Slovenia concerning the establishment and operation of the Centre.

3. In light of the above, the General Conference may adopt a resolution along the following lines:

The General Conference,

Recalling the revised integrated comprehensive strategy for category 2 institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO, as approved by the General Conference in 37 C/Resolution 93,

Also recalling 206 EX/Decision 18.II,

Having examined document 40 C/18.II,

1. *Welcomes* the proposal of Slovenia to establish in Ljubljana, Slovenia, an international research centre on artificial intelligence as a centre under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2), in accordance with the guidelines for the establishment and functioning of institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2) contained in document 37 C/18 Part I, as approved by the General Conference in 37 C/Resolution 93;
2. *Approves* the establishment in Ljubljana, Slovenia, of the International Research Centre on Artificial Intelligence as a centre under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2), as recommended by the Executive Board at its 206th session ([206 EX/Decision 18.II](#));
3. *Authorizes* the Director-General to sign the corresponding agreement.