



## **Constitution of the Friends of Libraries in Ghana (FOLIG)**

### **Preamble and Purpose**

Recognizing the need to establish closer relations between libraries and the citizens of Ghana; to create an awareness of facilities and service of libraries; and to give physical and financial support to libraries in need, we do hereby establish this constitution and Bye Laws of the Friends of Libraries in Ghana.

### **Article 1: Constitution**

1(a): The name of the organization shall be known as The Friends of Libraries in Ghana (FOLIG).

1(b): The organization shall maintain its registered and principal office in Accra, or as such other address designated by the general membership.

### **Article 2: Affiliation**

2(a): The organization shall be non-partisan and non-sectarian in its purposes and activities.

2(b): The Friends of Libraries in Ghana shall be incorporated under the laws of Ghana as a company limited by guarantee, a non-profit corporation and is subject to the statutes thereof.

### **Article 3: Membership**

3(a): Any person over the age of eighteen (18) is eligible for membership in the organization with full privileges thereof. General Membership shall be divided into four categories.

- I. Individual Member
- II. Senior Citizen Member
- III. Corporate Member
- IV. Friends Group

3(b): Any person over the age of eighteen (18) and with a valid student identity card is eligible for membership in this organization.

3(C): Corporate membership may be conferred upon any business entity or organization contributing financially to the future growth of FOLIG.

#### **Article 4: Powers and Management**

4(a) The Powers and management of this organization shall be vested in the Board of Directors (hereafter referred to as the Executives), Officers and the general membership as defined in the by-laws of this organization.

4(b) The Executives shall be responsible for the management, maintenance of its assets and running of the organization. They are charged with the responsibilities for the affairs, assets and activities of this organization.

#### **Article 5: Amendment**

This constitution shall be amended by two-third (2/3) vote of the general members present at any regular or special meeting, provided that written notice of the proposed amendment or amendment has been to each member by e-mail, fax, delivered or posted to the last known address of each member at least ten (10) days prior to the date of said meeting.

#### **Article 5: Regulations**

The organization may, from time to time, make and adopt such rules known as Regulations as may be deemed necessary and proper, provided nothing in said bye laws of the organization shall be inconsistent with the general constitution as stated above.