Based upon Act No. 283/1992 Coll., on the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, as subsequently amended, and upon Act No. 341/2005 Coll., on public research institutions, and in accordance with the Statutes of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic issued on 24 May 2006, the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic (hereinafter ASCR) hereby issues

## the Foundation Deed

## of the Institute of Systems Biology and Ecology of the ASCR, v. v. i.

I.

- (1) The Institute was established as an entity of the ASCR by a resolution of the constituting session of the Academy Assembly of the ASCR held on 24 and 25 February 1993 under the name the Institute of Landscape Ecology of the ASCR, which took effect on 1 April 1993. By a resolution of the fifth session of the Academy Council of the ASCR held on 28 June 2005 it was renamed the Institute of Systems Biology and Ecology of the ASCR, effective 1 July 2005.
- (2) Under Act No. 341/2005 Coll., the legal status of the Institute of Systems Biology and Ecology of the ASCR will be transformed from a state contributory organisation into a public research institution (abbreviated as v. v. i.) from 1 January 2007.

II.

- (1) The Institute of Systems Biology and Ecology of the ASCR, v. v. i., (hereinafter ISBE) is established for an indefinite period as a legal entity with identification number 67179843, and is located in České Budějovice, Na Sádkách 702/7, Postal Code 370 05.
- (2) The founder of the ISBE is the ASCR, an organisational body of the state, identification number 60165171, headquartered in Prague 1, Národní 1009/3, Postal Code 117 20.

III.

- (1) The purpose for which the ISBE has been established is to carry out scientific research in the field of systems biology and ecology with emphasis on a systems approach, to contribute to the utilisation of its research results, and to provide a research infrastructure.
- (2) The principal activity of the ISBE is scientific research focused on an analysis of the dynamics of natural systems, the basic characteristics of which is the spatial-functional dynamics which can be investigated, if simplified slightly, by means of the analysis of a flux of energy, mass and information through the given system. The scientific work of the ISBE is oriented on a systems approach combined to a considerable extent with the methodologies of a wider field concept of systems



biology/ecology. The ISBE contributes to raising the level of knowledge and education and to utilising the results of scientific research in practice. It acquires, processes and disseminates scientific information and issues scientific publications (monographs, journals, proceedings, etc.). It provides scientific assessments, professional opinions and recommendations, consulting and advisory services. In cooperation with universities, the ISBE carries out doctoral study programmes and provides training for young scientists. Within the scope of its activity, the ISBE promotes international cooperation, including the organisation of joint research projects with foreign partners, participation in exchange programmes for scientists and the exchange of scientific information, as well as the preparation of joint publications. The ISBE organises scientific meetings, conferences and seminars at the national and international levels and provides the infrastructure for research including accommodation for its employees and guests. It pursues its aims both independently and in cooperation with universities and other research and professional institutions.

IV.

- (1) The director, the Board and the Supervisory Board are the bodies of the ISBE. The director is the statutory body of the ISBE and is entitled to act on behalf of the ISBE.
- (2) Basic organisational units of the ISBE are scientific departments and laboratories responsible for research and development, and service departments responsible for provision of the infrastructure.
- (3) The detailed organisational structure of the ISBE is regulated by rules of organisation issued by the director after being approved by the Board.

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The foundation deed will become effective on 1 January 2007 and will supersede the foundation deed of the Institute of Systems Biology and Ecology of the ASCR dated 17 March 1993, as subsequently amended by modifications dated 1 September 1993 and 25 May 1998, Addendum No. 1 dated 25 September 2003 and Addendum No. 2 dated 30 June 2005 (the full text having been issued on 1 July 2005).

Prague, 20 December 2006

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