

# **Society for Neurodiversity Bylaws**

## **Article I – Name of the Club**

The name of the club shall be "Society for Neurodiversity", referred to thereafter as the "club".

## **Article II – Purpose of the club**

The purpose of the club shall be:

- (a) Provide information about how to get psychiatric diagnosis / treatment and medication in Okinawa
- (b) Provide a safe space to learn more about neurodivergent qualities and needs
- (c) Provide a safe space for unmasking together in a neurodivergent-friendly community
- (d) Assist with preparing trainings for the OIST staff and faculty

The purpose of the club is not to diagnose or treat, because we are neither clinicians nor specialists, but a community of neurodivergent people ourselves, willing to give support to our peers.

## **Article III – No discrimination clause**

No person shall be discriminated on any ground such as neurotype, sex, race, color, ethnic or social origin, genetic features, language, etc.

## **Article IV – Membership**

Membership shall be open to any OIST member or associated persons who are older than 18 years old (interns, students, family members, administrative staff, other OIST community, etc)

## **Article V – Representatives**

Representatives of the club are, at present, are Juliana Silva de Deus and Veronika Leonie Bachleitner. In the case of any of the representatives stepping down, then a new representative shall be designated by a simple majority voting among the club members.

## **Article VI – Activities of the Club**

- (a) Regular meetings simply to spend time among other neurodivergent people
- (b) body double sessions
- (c) co-working time
- (d) miscellaneous social gatherings

## **Article VII – Amendments**

Amendments to the Bylaws may be made with a majority vote of the club members.