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PART ONE — General Provisions

Article 1 Subject Matter

1. This Directive lays down the rules for holding examinations, continuous assessment, state examinations including defences of final theses, rigorosum examinations including defences of rigorosum theses and written admission tests online, and the rules for verifying the identity of students, applicants and further education participants in online proceedings at the Institute of Technology and Business in Prešov (hereinafter "VŠTE in Prešov"), in accordance with Act No. 300/2025 Coll. on Higher Education and on Amendments to Certain Acts (Higher Education Act), as amended by Act No. 121/2026 Coll. (hereinafter the "Act"), with the standards of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education, with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council (General Data Protection Regulation; hereinafter the "GDPR") and with Regulation (EU) 2024/1689 of the European Parliament and of the Council (Artificial Intelligence Act; hereinafter the "AI Act").

2. The online form of an examination is equivalent to the face-to-face form. The provisions of Directive VŠTE No. 21/2026 Study Rules (Smernica VŠTE č. 21/2026 Študijný poriadok; hereinafter the "Study Rules") and of Directive VŠTE No. 5/2026 on the Criteria and Rules for the Assessment of Students (Smernica VŠTE č. 5/2026 o kritériách a pravidlách hodnotenia študentov) apply without change to the organisation, registration, dates, resit dates, assessment and recording of results; this Directive governs exclusively the specific features of online proceedings.

3. In addition to this Directive, Directive VŠTE No. 38/2026 on the Rigorosum Examination (Smernica VŠTE č. 38/2026 o rigoróznej skúške; hereinafter the "Rigorosum Directive") applies to rigorosum proceedings, and Directive VŠTE No. 18/2026 on the Admission Procedure (Smernica VŠTE č. 18/2026 o prijímacom konaní) applies to the admission procedure.

4. Holding online an examination which is a learning activity constitutes delivering it by the distance method (Section 2(i) and Section 74 of the Act). The online form is not used where, in a specific case, it would preclude reliable verification of the learning outcomes or of the examinee's aptitude (Section 74(6) of the Act).

Article 2 Definitions

Online examination — an examination, credit test, continuous assessment, state examination, rigorosum examination, defence of a final thesis, defence of a rigorosum thesis, written admission test or final examination of a further education programme held by means of information and communication technologies without the physical presence of the examinee. Depending on its organisational form, an online examination is taken synchronously (in real time) or asynchronously (within a set completion period); details of the organisation are laid down in Directive VŠTE No. 26/2026 on the Distance Method and E-Learning (Smernica VŠTE č. 26/2026 o dištančnej metóde a e-learningu).

Examinee — a student, an applicant for studies, an applicant for the rigorosum examination or a further education participant who takes an online examination.

Identity verification — the procedure by which it is verified before an online examination that the examinee is the person he or she claims to be.

Online proctoring — a form of supervision of the course of an online examination carried out by an authorised person in real time or subsequently by reviewing the recording of the online examination, to the extent necessary and proportionate to the nature, importance and manner of conducting the examination; automated monitoring or evaluation of the examinee's behaviour is not used.

E-learning environment — the e-learning environment of VŠTE in Prešov under Directive VŠTE No. 26/2026 (hereinafter the "e-learning environment").

Videoconference system — the videoconference system of VŠTE in Prešov integrated into the e-learning environment (hereinafter the "videoconference system").

Public room — a room in the videoconference system in which the public part of an online state examination or online rigorosum examination, including the announcement of results, takes place and to which the public also has access under Article 6b.

Deliberation room — a separate non-public (closed) room in the videoconference system accessible exclusively to members of the examination board, in which the examination board deliberates and votes on the result.

PART TWO — Identity Verification and Conduct of an Online Examination

Article 3 Identity Verification

1. Before the start of an online examination, the examinee, when requested, proves his or her identity in front of the camera with a valid official identity document bearing a photograph; the examiner or an authorised person compares the examinee's appearance and the data in the document with the photograph in the examinee's profile in the e-learning environment or in the academic information system AiS2 (hereinafter "AiS2"). Data from the document are not recorded beyond the record of the verification under paragraph 4.

2. On enrolment in studies and on enrolment in a further education programme delivered exclusively at a distance, identity is verified at the first verification under paragraph 1 unless it has been verified otherwise (in person, by an officially certified signature or by means of electronic identification).

3. Access credentials to the e-learning environment and information systems are non-transferable; disclosing them to another person constitutes a disciplinary offence.

4. In identity verification, only the type of document presented, the result of the verification, the person who carried out the verification and the time of the verification are recorded. The document number, a copy of the document or an image of the document or of a screen showing the document are neither made nor retained.

5. No biometric data or automated facial recognition are used for identity verification; the comparison under paragraph 1 is always carried out by a human.

6. If the examinee's identity cannot be reliably verified, the online examination does not start. If the examinee is not at fault for the failed verification, a substitute date is set which does not count towards the number of attempts; a refusal to prove identity is treated as an unexcused absence from the examination.

7. VŠTE in Prešov may also use a means of electronic identification or the service of an external identity verification provider for identity verification if the Rector approves it after a data protection impact assessment (Article 35 GDPR). Such a service must not process biometric data, and the examinee must always be offered verification under paragraph 1.

Article 4 Technical Conditions and Conduct

1. A functioning camera, microphone and internet connection are a condition for taking part in an online examination. The technical requirements and the tools used are announced no later than when the examination date is published. If VŠTE in Prešov provides a test room or a technical check, the examinee checks the functionality of his or her equipment there in advance.

2. During an online examination, the examinee: (a) keeps the camera on and, when requested, the microphone, (b) is alone in the room unless otherwise specified, (c) does not use unauthorised materials, aids or assistance from other persons (Article 18(19) of the Study Rules), (d) when requested, shows the working environment with the camera or shares the screen.

3. If the connection is interrupted, the examiner decides, depending on the nature and length of the outage, whether the examination continues, is repeated or is moved to a substitute date; a short outage demonstrably not caused by the examinee is not considered an unsuccessful attempt or an absence.

4. Written online examinations are preferably held in the e-learning environment with appropriate controls set (time limit, random selection of questions, restricted navigation).

5. Examinees with specific needs are provided with reasonable adjustments to the online examination (in particular extended time or technical adjustments) in accordance with Directive VŠTE No. 19/2026 on Support for Students with Specific Needs (Smernica VŠTE č. 19/2026 o podpore študentov so špecifickými potrebami).

Article 5 Online Proctoring

1. The extent of proctoring is proportionate to the weight of the examination: (a) continuous assessment and self-tests — as a rule without proctoring, (b) examinations and final knowledge checks — live proctoring by an authorised person or a recording reviewed by a human under paragraph 4, (c) state examinations, rigorosum examinations and defences — live supervision by the examination board via videoconference.

2. The examinee is informed in advance, no later than when the examination date is published, of the use of proctoring and of the making of a recording. An examinee who does not agree to online proctoring has the right to take the examination face-to-face at the seat of VŠTE in Prešov on a regularly published date; exercising this right must not be to the examinee's detriment.

3. VŠTE in Prešov may make an audio or audiovisual recording of an online examination if this is necessary for study purposes, which include ensuring or demonstrating the regularity of the examination and the review of its conduct or assessment (Section 140(11) of the Act). The recording is

destroyed within three months of the entry of the examination result in AiS2 or, if the examinee has submitted a request for review of the conduct or assessment of the examination within that period, within three months of its resolution. Recordings of online state examinations, defences and rigorosum examinations are governed by Article 6c.

4. For examinations under paragraph 1(b), a recording under paragraph 3 may be made instead of live proctoring; the examiner reviews it where there are doubts about the regularity of the examination. Tools for automated monitoring or evaluation of the examinee's behaviour, for inferring the examinee's emotions or for biometric categorisation are not used (Article 7b(3) of VŠTE Directive No. 23/2026). Technical restriction of the examination environment, in particular a locked-down browser, a time limit or a random order of tasks, is not automated proctoring. A suspected breach of the rules is always decided by a human.

PART THREE — Online State Examinations, Defences, Rigorosum Examinations and Admission Tests

Article 6 Online State Examinations, Rigorosum Examinations and Defences

1. A state examination, including the defence of a final thesis, and a rigorosum examination, including the defence of a rigorosum thesis, may be held online through the videoconference system. In study programmes delivered by the distance method and in rigorosum proceedings, the online form is a regular way of holding them; in other study programmes, a state examination may be held online with the consent of the Rector. The composition and proceedings of the examination board, the assessment and the drawing up of the record are governed by Article 21 of the Study Rules or by the Rigorosum Directive, unless this Directive provides otherwise.

2. The public nature of the conduct of an online state examination and an online rigorosum examination and of the announcement of their results (Section 84(2) of the Act) is ensured by making the public room accessible to the public under Article 6b (Section 140(12) of the Act). The examination board deliberates and votes on the result in a non-public (closed) session in the deliberation room.

3. The record of a state examination and the record of a rigorosum examination are drawn up and signed electronically under Article 6e.

4. The provisions of this Article and of Articles 6a to 6h apply mutatis mutandis to final examinations of education programmes leading to a micro-credential under Directive VŠTE No. 12/2026 on Quality Assurance of Education Programmes Leading to a Micro-Credential (Smernica VŠTE č. 12/2026 o zabezpečovaní kvality vzdelávacích programov vedúcich k získaniu mikroosvedčenia).

5. The chair of the examination board decides that the online form is not to be used in a specific case, or that an online examination is to be interrupted, because the examinee's identity cannot be verified or the examination cannot be conducted in accordance with this Directive (Section 74(6) of the Act); the procedure under Article 6f applies. The examinee's right to take the examination face-to-face under Article 5(2) is not affected.

6. Special procedures during a state of crisis under Section 143 of the Act are not affected by this Directive.

Article 6a Videoconference System, Public Room and Deliberation Room

1. An online state examination and an online rigorosum examination are held in the videoconference system. A public room and a deliberation room are set up for each session of the examination board; the rooms and the access rights to them are as a rule set up automatically in the e-learning environment on the basis of the Rector's decision on the composition of the examination board and of the examination schedule.

2. The public room is accessible to the members of the examination board, the examinee, persons whose participation in the defence is determined by the chair of the examination board (in particular the thesis supervisor, the rigorosum supervisor or the opponent), an authorised technical support employee and the public under Article 6b.

3. The deliberation room is accessible exclusively to members of the examination board. Deliberations in the deliberation room are not public, are not broadcast and are never recorded; no automatic transcription tools or other tools, including artificial intelligence tools, that would process their course are used.

4. Before and outside sessions, a test room is available to examinees and members of the examination board for checking the functionality of the camera, microphone and connection.

5. If the videoconference system is unavailable, the chair of the examination board may, with the consent of the Rector, use another videoconference tool designated by VŠTE in Prešov, provided it allows a separate deliberation room to be set up and the conditions of Articles 6b and 6c to be met.

Article 6b Public Access

1. The public part of an online state examination and an online rigorosum examination is accessible to the public online. The guest link to the public room, where applicable with an access password, is published in the schedule of state examinations or rigorosum examinations on the website of VŠTE in Prešov (www.vste.sk) and, for study programmes and rigorosum proceedings delivered under the trade name EUVERSA, also on the EUVERSA website, as a rule no later than three working days before the examination.

2. The schedule contains the date and time, the study programme or field of study, the composition of the examination board and the guest link; the names of students and applicants are not stated in it.

3. A guest joins through the guest link without registration and is admitted to the public room by a member of the examination board. A guest is connected without microphone and camera and without the possibility of using the chat; a guest may not ask questions or otherwise interfere with the conduct of the examination.

4. A guest may not record, broadcast or otherwise disseminate the proceedings. A guest who disrupts the examination or breaches these rules is removed from the public room by the chair of the examination board or by a member authorised by the chair.

5. The examinee's identity is verified before guests are admitted to the public room or in a manner in which the document is not visible to guests. The chair of the examination board may temporarily restrict public access if necessary to ensure the proper conduct of the examination or to protect the examinee's rights; the reason for and length of the restriction are stated in the record.

6. The result of the individual parts and the overall result are announced publicly by the chair of the examination board in the public room after the end of deliberations in the deliberation room; at the same time, the result is made available to the examinee in the information system of VŠTE in Prešov. Lists of results with the names of examinees are not published.

7. Only data necessary for the connection (display name and technical connection data) are processed about guests, for the duration of the session.

Article 6c Recording of the Public Part

1. An audiovisual recording is made of the public part of an online state examination, defence and online rigorosum examination for study purposes, which include demonstrating the regularity of the proceedings and the review of the conduct of the examination (Section 140(11) of the Act). The examinee is informed in advance that a recording will be made, no later than when the examination date is notified, and again before the recording starts.

2. The recording is started by the chair of the examination board or by a member authorised by the chair only after the examinee's identity has been verified; the identity verification is not recorded.

3. The recording is kept in a non-public archive of the videoconference system. Only the Study Department of VŠTE in Prešov and the Rector, when dealing with a request for review, have access to the recording; the examinee's right of access to personal data under Article 15 GDPR is not affected.

4. The recording is retained for three months from the expiry of the time limit for submitting a request for review of the conduct of the examination under the Study Rules or the Rigorosum Directive; if a request has been submitted, for three months from its resolution. The recording is then automatically deleted; the deletion is logged in the audit trail.

5. The deliberations of the examination board are never recorded (Article 6a(3)). Neither the examinee nor any other person may make their own recording of the examination.

Article 6d Examination Board, Identity Verification and Conduct

1. The examination board has a quorum if, throughout the entire part of an online state examination or online rigorosum examination, including deliberation and voting in the deliberation room, the required number of its members under the Study Rules or the Rigorosum Directive, but at least four members (Section 84(2) of the Act), are connected with camera and microphone switched on. A member who is not so connected is not considered present.

2. The attendance of members of the examination board is recorded by the videoconference system or the e-learning environment. If the number of connected members falls below the required number, the chair interrupts the proceedings; a part of the examination cannot be opened and no decision on the result can be taken without a quorate board.

3. The examination board votes on the assessment in the deliberation room; voting may also take place electronically through the e-learning environment. Unless the Study Rules or the Rigorosum Directive provide otherwise, a majority of the votes of the members present decides; in the event of a tie, the chair has the casting vote.

4. The examinee's identity is verified under Article 3 by the chair of the examination board or by a member authorised by the chair before the start of the examination; only the type of document presented and the result of the verification are entered in the record.

5. The written part of a state examination and of a rigorosum examination is invigilated in real time by a member of the examination board; the procedure under the first sentence of Article 5(4) does not apply to them.

6. Where questions or assignments are drawn by lot, the draw takes place through the e-learning environment from an approved and locked question bank; the result of the draw is recorded. Questions are put to the examinee only by members of the examination board and by persons under Article 6a(2) whose participation in the defence has been determined by the chair.

Article 6e Electronic Record

1. The record of a state examination and the record of a rigorosum examination are drawn up in electronic form in the information system of VŠTE in Prešov. They contain in particular the composition of the examination board and the attendance of its members, information on identity verification (type of document and result), the questions or assignments drawn, the board's questions, the assessment of the individual parts, the overall result and information on interruptions and technical failures.

2. Each member of the examination board present confirms the correctness of the record by an act in the information system of VŠTE in Prešov after logging in, as a rule with multi-factor authentication. The chair of the examination board signs the resulting document with a qualified electronic signature (Article 25(2) of Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council). The confirmation under the first sentence replaces the signature of a member of the examination board under the Study Rules or the Rigorosum Directive.

3. Once the record has been confirmed, the result may be changed only by the chair reopening the record and stating the reason; the members' confirmations are thereby cancelled and the record is confirmed again. All acts are logged in the audit trail of the information system.

4. If the record cannot be confirmed and signed under paragraph 2 within five working days of the examination, it is drawn up in paper form and signed by the chair and the members of the examination board present.

5. The provisions of the Rigorosum Directive on further handling of the record of the rigorosum examination and on issuing the certificate of entitlement to use the academic title are not affected; the certificate may be issued in electronic form.

Article 6f Interruptions and Technical Failures

1. The chair of the examination board decides on the procedure in the event of an interrupted connection with the examinee or another technical failure during an online state examination or online rigorosum examination; depending on the nature and length of the interruption, the chair decides whether the examination or its part continues once the connection is restored, is repeated or is completed on a substitute date.

2. If the examinee demonstrably did not cause the interruption or failure, neither the examination nor its part is considered an unsuccessful attempt or an absence; the substitute date does not count towards the number of attempts under the Study Rules or the Rigorosum Directive.

3. If the number of connected members of the examination board falls below the required number, or if the videoconference system fails and the quorum or functionality is not restored within a reasonable time, the chair interrupts the proceedings and sets a substitute date which does not count towards the examinee's number of attempts.

4. After an interruption, the examinee keeps the question or assignment drawn; a new draw may take place only by decision of the chair stating the reason.

5. The reason for, time and length of the interruption and the chair's decision are entered in the record of the examinee concerned.

6. If the examinee caused the interruption, in particular by deliberately disconnecting or by failing to meet technical conditions of which he or she had been informed in advance, the procedure under the Study Rules or the Rigorosum Directive for an unexcused absence or under Article 6g(5) applies.

Article 6g Rules of Conduct for Examinees

1. The examinee familiarises himself or herself with the instructions for the online examination published in the e-learning environment, checks the functionality of the equipment in advance and joins the public room at the time stated in the invitation.

2. The examinee connects from a quiet and adequately lit place where he or she is alone, unless the chair of the examination board decides otherwise. Throughout the examination, including preparation time, the examinee keeps the camera on, uses the microphone according to the chair's instructions and, when requested, shows his or her working environment with the camera.

3. During preparation and answering, the examinee does not use unauthorised materials, aids, other devices, artificial intelligence tools or assistance from other persons; the examinee shares the screen only on the chair's instruction, in particular when presenting the final or rigorosum thesis.

4. The examinee does not make a recording of the examination and follows the instructions of the chair and members of the examination board.

5. If the examinee breaches these rules, the chair warns him or her; in the event of a repeated or serious breach, the examination board may exclude the examinee from the part of the examination concerned, and that part is assessed as unsuccessful (grade FX or "failed" respectively). The reason is stated in the record; the procedure under Article 7(1) is not affected.

Article 6h Artificial Intelligence in Online State Examinations, Defences and Rigorosum Examinations

1. In preparing reviews of final theses and rigorosum theses (AI draft review), in the preliminary assessment of the written part of an examination (AI pre-assessment) and in preparing a summary of supporting materials for the examination board (AI summary), only an artificial intelligence tool approved by the Rector under Directive VŠTE No. 23/2026 on the Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence by Students and Academic Staff (Smernica VŠTE č. 23/2026 o využívaní generatívnej umelej inteligencie študentmi a akademickými pracovníkmi; hereinafter the "approved tool") may be used, and

exclusively as a supporting tool. Artificial intelligence prepares supporting materials and feedback; it never decides.

2. The output of the approved tool is a proposal and is not binding. The review is drawn up and signed by, and its content is the responsibility of, the thesis supervisor, the rigorosum supervisor or the opponent who has studied the thesis personally. A review prepared with the support of the approved tool contains the declaration under Annex 1(c) of Directive VŠTE No. 23/2026. The opponent has no access to the draft review of the thesis supervisor or rigorosum supervisor.

3. AI pre-assessment is always in the nature of a proposal. A member of the examination board who assesses the written part records his or her own preliminary assessment before the output of the approved tool is displayed to him or her. The assessment is not made available to the examinee automatically.

4. The examination board alone decides on and is responsible for the assessment of each part and the result of the examination at the non-public deliberation in the deliberation room. The AI summary of supporting materials (reviews, pre-assessment, members' proposed grades) is only an aid; the deliberations in the deliberation room are not processed by any artificial intelligence tool (Article 6a(3)).

5. It is prohibited: (a) to use artificial intelligence to decide on the result of an assessment, (b) to use artificial intelligence as an examiner or to put questions to the examinee during the examination, (c) to infer the examinee's emotions (Article 5(1)(f) of the AI Act), (d) to evaluate the examinee's behaviour during the examination in an automated manner, (e) to enter examinees' work or personal data into artificial intelligence tools that have not been approved.

6. Before submitting the thesis and before the examination, the examinee is informed of the use of the approved tool, of its purpose and of the right to human review and explanation (Articles 13 and 22 GDPR; Article 26(11) and Article 86 of the AI Act). The examinee may request a review of the conduct of the examination, including the use of artificial intelligence, under the Study Rules or the Rigorosum Directive.

7. Inputs and outputs of the approved tool and the assessor's interventions are logged, and artificial intelligence outputs are labelled. The logs are retained and reduced to metadata in accordance with Article 7f(3) of Directive VŠTE No. 23/2026. The approved tool may be used only on the basis of a contract with a processor that excludes the use of data for training artificial intelligence models and after a data protection impact assessment.

8. Persons exercising human oversight of the approved tool complete training (Article 4 of the AI Act). The Vice-Rector for Studies evaluates every semester the agreement of the approved tool's outputs with human assessment and submits the result to the Rector.

9. Paragraphs 1 to 8 apply mutatis mutandis also to online examinations under Part Two and to online admission tests under Article 6i; details of the use of artificial intelligence are laid down in Directive VŠTE No. 23/2026 (Section 8 of the Act).

Article 6i Online Written Admission Tests

1. If the conditions of admission to studies provide for an admission test, its written part may be held online in the e-learning environment (Section 69 of the Act; Directive VŠTE No. 18/2026 on the

Admission Procedure). The online form, the technical requirements and the rules are stated in the conditions of admission to studies and in the invitation to the admission test.

2. Before the start of an online admission test, the applicant's identity is verified under Article 3. Articles 4 and 5 apply mutatis mutandis to its conduct; the extent of online proctoring corresponds to examinations under Article 5(1)(b).

3. Test items with predetermined correct answers may be marked automatically according to a key approved in advance. Open tasks are assessed by a member of the admission board, who may use AI pre-assessment under Article 6h; the result of the admission test is assessed by the admission board in a non-public session, and the Rector decides on admission (Section 70(5) of the Act).

4. In the event of an interruption or technical failure demonstrably not caused by the applicant, the applicant is given a substitute date or allowed to complete the test; Article 4(3) applies mutatis mutandis.

5. An applicant who does not agree to online proctoring may take the admission test face-to-face at the seat of VŠTE in Prešov on a date set by VŠTE in Prešov. For an applicant with specific needs, the form and manner of the admission test are determined in accordance with Section 69(4) of the Act and Directive VŠTE No. 19/2026.

6. A recording of an online admission test, if made, is destroyed within three months of the expiry of the time limit for submitting a request for review of the admission decision or, if a request has been submitted, within three months of its resolution.

PART FOUR — Common and Final Provisions

Article 7 Academic Integrity and Personal Data Protection

1. Breaches of the rules of an online examination are assessed under Article 18(19) of the Study Rules and Directive VŠTE No. 16/2026 Disciplinary Rules (Smernica VŠTE č. 16/2026 Disciplinárny poriadok); the use of artificial intelligence tools is assessed under Directive VŠTE No. 23/2026 and Section 101 of the Act.

2. Personal data in identity verification, online proctoring, in the public room, in the making of recordings and in the use of artificial intelligence tools are processed on the legal basis of the performance of the tasks of VŠTE in Prešov under the Act (in particular Section 84(2) and Section 140(11) and (12) of the Act) and in accordance with the internal personal data protection documentation; VŠTE in Prešov informs the data subjects, including guests, of the scope, purpose, legal basis and period of processing (Article 13 GDPR).

3. Before introducing online proctoring, recordings of online examinations, the public room and artificial intelligence tools under this Directive, VŠTE in Prešov carries out a data protection impact assessment (Article 35 GDPR) and concludes contracts with processors (Article 28 GDPR).

4. Records of state examinations, records of rigorosum examinations and other documentation of online examinations are filed and disposed of in accordance with the Records Management Rules of VŠTE in Prešov; audiovisual recordings are retained only within the periods under Article 5(3), Article 6c(4) and Article 6i(6).

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Article 8 Related Regulations

1. This Directive builds in particular on the following legal regulations:

– Act No. 300/2025 Coll. on Higher Education and on Amendments to Certain Acts (Higher Education Act), as amended by Act No. 121/2026 Coll., in particular Sections 2, 8, 61, 69, 70, 74, 84, 93, 95, 101, 140 and 143,

– Decree of the Ministry of Education, Research, Development and Youth of the Slovak Republic No. 205/2026 Coll. implementing certain provisions of the Higher Education Act (in particular Sections 8 and 18),

– Act No. 269/2018 Coll. on Quality Assurance of Higher Education and on Amendments to Act No. 343/2015 Coll. on Public Procurement and on Amendments to Certain Acts, as amended,

– Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council (General Data Protection Regulation) and Act No. 18/2018 Coll. on Personal Data Protection and on Amendments to Certain Acts,

– Regulation (EU) 2024/1689 of the European Parliament and of the Council (Artificial Intelligence Act),

– Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market (eIDAS),

– Act No. 395/2002 Coll. on Archives and Registries and on Amendments to Certain Acts, as amended.

2. This Directive builds on the following internal regulations of VŠTE in Prešov:

– Statute of VŠTE in Prešov (Štatút VŠTE v Prešove),

– Directive VŠTE No. 21/2026 Study Rules,

– Directive VŠTE No. 5/2026 on the Criteria and Rules for the Assessment of Students,

– Directive VŠTE No. 12/2026 on Quality Assurance of Education Programmes Leading to a Micro-Credential,

– Directive VŠTE No. 15/2026 on the Publication of Information on Study and Education Programmes (Smernica VŠTE č. 15/2026 o zverejňovaní informácií o študijných a vzdelávacích programoch),

– Directive VŠTE No. 16/2026 Disciplinary Rules,

– Directive VŠTE No. 18/2026 on the Admission Procedure,

– Directive VŠTE No. 19/2026 on Support for Students with Specific Needs,

– Directive VŠTE No. 23/2026 on the Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence by Students and Academic Staff,

– Directive VŠTE No. 26/2026 on the Distance Method and E-Learning,

– Directive VŠTE No. 38/2026 on the Rigorosum Examination,

– Directive VŠTE No. 4/2025 on the Requirements for Final Theses, their Bibliographic Registration, Originality Check, Storage and Accessibility (Smernica VŠTE č. 4/2025 o náležitostiach záverečných prác, ich bibliografickej registrácii, kontrole originality, uchovávaní a sprístupňovaní),

– Directive VŠTE No. 35/2026 Records Management Rules of VŠTE in Prešov (Smernica VŠTE č. 35/2026 Registratúrny poriadok VŠTE v Prešove),

– Internal Quality System of VŠTE in Prešov (Vnútorný systém kvality VŠTE v Prešove).

Article 9 Repealing Provisions

No internal regulation is repealed by this regulation.

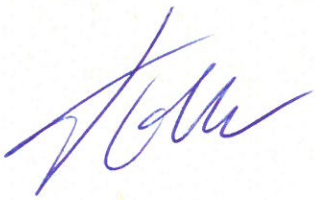
Article 10 Final Provisions

1. This Directive was approved and issued by the Board of Trustees of VŠTE in Prešov on the proposal of the Rector (Section 31(2)(g) of the Act) on 29 October 2026.

2. This Directive enters into force on the day of its approval by the Board of Trustees of VŠTE in Prešov and takes effect on 29 October 2026.

3. Instructions for examinees, members of examination boards and guests, information on the processing of personal data and templates under this Directive are published by VŠTE in Prešov on the website of VŠTE in Prešov (www.vste.sk), on the EUVERSA website and in the e-learning environment; they are updated together with this Directive.

Prešov, 29 October 2026



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