Pursuant to Section 36, Para 2, Act no. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education Institutions and on Amendments and Supplements to some other Acts (The Higher Education Act), the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports registered the Code Governing the Awarding of Doctor Honoris Causa Degrees of the Czech Technical University in Prague under ref. no. MSMT-21850/2017 on 1 September 2017.

Article 1
Introductory provisions

(1) This Code regulates the conditions for the awarding of the “Doctor Honoris Causa” degrees at the Czech Technical University in Prague (hereinafter as “CTU”) and it prescribes the Doctor Honoris Causa awarding ceremony.

(2) CTU can award the “Doctor Honoris Causa” (abbreviated as “dr. h. c.”) degree, which is placed after the name, to distinguished Czech and international figures in the field of science and technology, rarely also in other spheres of social and cultural life, who have contributed to the development of their fields at domestic and international level, or who have contributed to the public good.

(3) It is primarily people active in the specific fields that form the specialization and long-term orientation of CTU and who have contributed by their activity also to the development of scientific research and education of engineers in the Czech Republic and at CTU who are nominated for the conferral of the “Doctor Honoris Causa” degree (hereinafter as the “degree”).

Article 2
Submitting a proposal to award the Doctor Honoris Causa degrees

(1) A proposal to award a degree (hereinafter as the “proposal”) can be submitted by
   a) The rector,
   b) A member of the CTU Scientific Council,
   c) A dean after the proposal has been discussed at the faculty’s Scientific Council,
   d) A director of a university institute after the proposal has been discussed at the university institute’s Scientific Council.

(2) The proposal must include the candidate’s personal details, their CV and a detailed justification of the nomination pursuant to Article 1, Para 2. Proposals submitted by a dean or director of a
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university institute must also include a statement of the Scientific Council of the faculty or the university institute.

3 A list of candidate’s publication or other creative activities, received awards and honours, or other information proving the importance of their work for the given field may be annexed to the proposal.

4 The proposal is submitted to the rector through the Department of Science and Research of the CTU Rector’s Office, unless the rector submits the proposal themself.

Article 3
Approval of proposals to award the degree

1 The Rector submits the proposal for discussion and consideration to the CTU Scientific Council.

2 The CTU Scientific Council votes about the proposal in a secret ballot. The proposal is accepted if it receives an absolute majority of the votes of all members of the CTU Scientific Council.

3 The rector has a right not to submit a received proposal to the CTU Scientific Council if they conclude that it is not sufficiently supported pursuant to Article 1, Para 2; however, in such case they are obliged to submit their justified statement for discussion to the CTU Scientific Council.

Article 4
Awarding the degree

1 The degree can be awarded provided the candidate has accepted it. The rector asks the recipient to accept the degree after the reception of the proposal pursuant to Article 3.

2 The degree is awarded at a ceremony after the honorary doctor has taken the oath, which is quoted in Annex 3 to the CTU Statute. If the candidate is unable to attend the ceremony for serious reasons, they can be represented by a proxy at the ceremony; however, in that case they have to sign the oath in advance.

3 The course of the ceremony will be stipulated in a rector’s special guideline.

Article 5
Final provisions

1 The Code Governing the Awarding of Doctor Honoris Causa Degrees at CTU registered by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports on 3 December 2002 under ref. no. 31 489/2002-30 is repealed.

2 This Code was approved by the CTU Academic Senate on 28 June 2017 pursuant to Section 9, Para 1 (b), point 3 of the Act.

3 This Code comes into force pursuant to Section 36, Para 4 of the Act on the day it is registered by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports.

4 This Code comes into effect on 1 September 2017.

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