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> **Rules of procedure of the Council of the Technology Bank** for the Least Developed Countries



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Replacement of the Chair

Rule 11

Speeches

Rule 16

No member may address the Council without having previously obtained the permission of the Chair. The Chair shall call upon speakers in the order in which they signify their desire to speak, except that she or he may accord precedence to the

Method of voting

Rule 22

The Council shall normally vote by a show of hands, except in regard to elections. In exceptional cases, when a decision of the Council is required between sessions of the Council, the Managing Director shall contact the members of the Council individually by correspondence to obtain their vote. The outcome of the vote shall be communicated to the Chair, who shall, in turn, communicate it to the Council by correspondence.

Elections

Rule 23

For the purpose of electing its officers, the Council will make every effort to reach a consensus. In the absence of a consensus, the Council will proceed to elect a person by secret ballot. If no candidate obtains in the first ballot a majority of the votes cast, a second ballot shall be taken, which shall be restricted to the two candidates obtaining the largest number of votes. If in the second ballot the votes are equally divided, the Chair shall decide between the candidates by drawing lots.

Equally divided votes

Rule 24

If a vote is equally divided on matters other than elections, the proposal shall be regarded as rejected.

Administrative and financial implications

Rule 25

(a) The Council shall take no decision involving expenditure unless it has before it a report from the Managing Director on the administrative and financial implications of the proposal;

(b) Members of the Council may not enter into contractual arrangements with the Technology Bank or receive remuneration for services rendered to the Technology Bank.

Private and public meetings

Rule 26

The meetings of the Council and its committees shall be held in private unless the organ concerned decides otherwise.