



**BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT**

## **Effective Leadership in IT (ELITE)**

### **Group Rules**

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## **Group Rules**

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#### **1 Introduction**

These rules should be read in conjunction with the latest version of the Rules and Processes for Member Groups, which are documented at <http://volunteer.bcs.org/Rules>. The document outlines ELITE specific rules.

#### **2 Purpose**

The purpose of the ELITE Group is:

To be the leading forum for senior UK Information Technology management, and to represent Senior IT Management within the BCS. To provide its membership with opportunities to listen to informed opinion, exchange ideas and discuss common issues relating to innovative application, effective operation and strategic development within their IT environments, and in conjunction with such activities, provide the BCS, Industry, Commerce, Government and business as a whole, with authoritative leadership and direction in all such matters.

#### **3 Aims and Objectives**

ELITE aims to provide Leadership to the IT community by:

- Providing a forum for members to meet informally to exchange experiences and views and be informed by leading speakers and contributors in their field
- Encouraging our members to engage in online communities to exchange experiences and views
- Promoting and representing the views of senior IT professionals within the BCS
- Providing an authoritative source of industry opinion
- Provide feedback to the outside contributors to ELITE events in order to inform them of our members' views
- Encouraging senior IT professionals to join the British Computer Society and ELITE and adopt the high standards of professionalism promoted by the Society
- Work as appropriate to influence other parts of the BCS
- Championing recognition of excellence in IT Management.
- Offering our members worthwhile benefits complimentary to those already offered by the BCS

#### **4 Membership Criteria**

Application for membership is open to anyone responsible for or influential upon the leadership of IT who has attained at least fellowship in their professional institutes (or equivalent, e.g., SFIA+ Level 7), or is nominated by three current ELITE members.

Only current members of BCS The Chartered Institute of IT may vote at governance meetings such as the AGM or an EGM.

## **5 Management Committee**

ELITE will be managed through a management committee of up to 15 committee members elected by the membership of ELITE. A Committee member shall be elected to serve a maximum term of three years at which point they must stand down. The Chairman and Treasurer must have current professional membership of the Institute. Committee members can offer themselves for re-election at the end of each term.

The committee can co-opt members to the committee as long as a majority of the committee (including co-opted members) are Institute members and the number of co-opted members does not exceed elected members. At the next annual election of committee members following their co-opting the individual must either step down or stand in the annual election.

50% of the elected members of the committee will be required for a committee meeting to be quorate and make decisions.

## **6 Appointment of Officers**

The Officers of the Committee will be appointed by the Committee. The Officers are:

Chairman  
Vice Chairman  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Membership Secretary

Committee members who are appointed as officers will be appointed for a two year term. However a shorter term may be allowable if the individual has to stand down from the committee before the two year term expires. Officers can be appointed to the same position after the initial two year term for two further periods of one year each.

## **7 Appointment & Removal of Members**

Applicants wishing to join ELITE who fulfil the criteria laid down in Section 4 above may be invited into the ELITE membership by decision of the ELITE Membership Secretary under the powers delegated to him by the ELITE Committee.

The ELITE Committee may revoke the membership of any ELITE member at any time for any good reason.