

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM - 2018

Contact Details

Organisation's Name			
Acronym/Abbreviation		Country	
Address			
Telephone	+	Email	
Fax	+	Website	
Contact Person			
Position			
Email			
Telephone	+	Skype/MSN	

How information about you will be used

Individual contact information which you supply to us will be used to deliver our newsletters, important press releases, invitations to events, and may be used to contact you for statistical information and networking within the co-operative movement. We will not sell your information. We will not share your personal information with anyone outside of the International Co-operative Alliance structures and partners. For further information on how your information is used, how we maintain the security of your information, and your rights, please visit <https://ica.coop/en/terms-and-conditions> or email dataprotection@ica.coop.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, I understand and accept the data protection policy of the International Co-operative Alliance and consent to my information being used as per the policy.
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Required Documentation

Please submit your organisation's Statutes/Rules/Bye-Laws and Annual Report. Please put an x in the boxes below to confirm that you have submitted these required documents with your application:

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Statutes/Rules/Bye-Laws of your organisation

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Annual Report



What do you expect from the Alliance?
Why are you interested in membership?

Statistical Information

Number of member societies			
Please provide one or more of the following financial indicators	currency		
Turnover (sales)			
Budget			
Income			

Membership Statusⁱⁱ

Please choose the type of membership for which you are applying:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Member (full member with voting rights)
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Please indicate which best describes your organisation:

<input type="checkbox"/>	National union or federation of co-operative organisations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	National confederation of co-operative unions (apex organisations).
<input type="checkbox"/>	National co-operative business organisation with majority individual ownership (a co-operative society working at the national level whose members are not only people but also can be enterprises; that is, a mixed membership).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual co-operative organisation (primary or grassroots co-operatives).
<input type="checkbox"/>	International and regional (supranational) federations or unions of co-operative organisations (those with membership in multiple countries).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mutual organisation

<input type="checkbox"/>	Associate Member
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Please indicate which best describes your organisation:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Organisations that are not otherwise eligible to be full members (choose one):
<input type="checkbox"/>	Organisations that are supporters of co-operatives.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Educational, research and other institutions which promote or finance co-operatives and the co-operative movement (training institutions and semi-autonomous institutions with no co-operative members).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Organisations that are owned and controlled by co-operatives (entities that are not co-ops themselves but that are owned entirely by co-ops, not individuals).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government entities.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Organisation entitled to full member status, but that is not ready to apply for full membership. ⁱⁱⁱ If yes, for how many years:
<input type="checkbox"/>	One year
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two years

Annual Subscription to the Alliance

Member

The Alliance calculates Member subscriptions on the basis of the number of individual members of their co-operatives that they have or represent, as well as affiliations to other Alliance members ("members of members"). Therefore, please provide us with:

Number of individual members ^{iv} represented in 2015	
Number of individual members represented 2017	

Please list the Alliance member organisations to which you are affiliated. For a current list of Alliance members, go to <http://ica.coop/en/directory/members>

Organisation Name	They are our member	We are their member

Flat Fees

The Alliance calculates certain member subscriptions based on a flat fee. These include Associate Members, government entities, supranational federations or unions, and organisations in the insurance sector that are also members of ICMIF.

If you are primarily in the insurance sector, are you a full member of ICMIF?	
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Signatory of Applying Organisation

Name	
Position	
Date	
Signature	

Explanations

i The **Co-operative Identity Statement** can be found on the Alliance website at <http://ica.coop/en/whats-co-op/co-operative-identity-values-principles>

ii The **Alliance Articles & By-Laws** provide information on membership eligibility and the calculation of the subscription payment and can be downloaded at: <http://ica.coop/en/basics/alliance-rules-and-by-laws>

iii **Temporary Associate Members:** Organisations may be accorded associate member status for one to two years to enable them to participate in the Alliance, mainly at the regional and sectoral level, before applying for full membership. Note that at the end of this temporary period, organisations will need to submit a short form in order to continue as a full Member. The transition to full member will need formal approval of the Membership Committee of the Board.

iv **Individual Members:** According to the Alliance ByLaws, all Members pay an annual subscription based on the number of their individual members or number of individuals they represent and in accordance with the formula established by the General Assembly. Individual members is defined by the Alliance Board in the following way :

A) For organizations that are **primary co-operatives**, individual members refer to the number of members the organization has. Individual members of primary co-operatives are defined in the by-laws of the organization and can include individual persons, families, policy-holders, or enterprises such as farms or businesses. Mutual organisations calculate based on their number of clients and customers.

B) If the organization is a **representative organization for co-operatives**, individual members are the aggregated total number as described in A above that all the apex organization's direct members represent (including "members of members", all the way down until the end unit is reached in A above), regardless of whether or not the direct members are themselves members of Alliance or pay a contribution to Alliance.