

Join the world's engineering body as an Associate Member

The World Federation of Engineering Organisations would like to invite you to join us as an Associate Member. This document sets out who we are and what membership means for you.

Introduction to WFEO:

We are the global body for the engineering profession. Founded in 1968, we have national [members from some 90 countries representing more than 20 million engineers](#). We work to inform international institutions, to promote globally agreed good practice and to address the challenges that face engineering around the world. We organise some of the largest events in the engineering community such as the World Engineering Convention every four years, World Engineering Conferences and many issue-specific conferences. Through these activities, we regularly engage with governments, policy-makers and United Nations leaders to present the engineering perspective. We are [an official partner of UNESCO \(associate NGO\)](#) and our secretariat is based at their headquarters in Paris.

Our work is designed and delivered by our ten [Standing Technical Committees](#): Engineering and the Environment (hosted by UK); Energy (hosted by USA); Engineering Education (hosted by Lebanon); Information and Communication (hosted by China); Engineering and Capacity Building (hosted by South Africa); Disaster Risk Management (hosted by Peru); Anti-Corruption (hosted by Zimbabwe); Women in Engineering (hosted by Nigeria); Young Engineers/Future Leaders (hosted by Kuwait).

Recent examples of our work:

- Appointment of a WFEO Vice-President to the Scientific Advisory Board to the UN Secretary General
- Co-organising partner for the UN Scientific & Technology Major Group in the Rio+20 summit processes:
 - Side event at the UN on Science, Engineering and Technology for Smart, Sustainable Cities and Human Settlements at the Second M STI Forum on 15 May 2017 in New York, conducted with the International Council for Science (ICSU) and the International Social Science Council (ISSC).
 - Side event at the UN High Level Political Forum in July 2017 on SDG 9 Industry, infrastructure and Innovation, again with ICSU and ISSC
- Anti-bribery: we supported the development of British Standard on Anti-Corruption, the development of ISO 37000 and the accreditation of organizations implementing anti-corruption systems
- Yearly World Engineering Conferences in Switzerland, Slovenia, Singapore, Nigeria, Japan, Peru, attracted thousands. Our next global events will include our biennial General Assembly in Rome in 2017, and WFEO 50th Birthday celebrations in Paris and London in 2018.
- World Engineering Conventions in 2015 in Kyoto, Japan and planned for 2019 in Melbourne, Australia
- An online map of engineering profession tool to help navigate 500+ engineering organisations
- Co-writing the UNESCO Engineering Report
- Regular participation of our representatives at the UN bodies meetings on climate change (UNFCCC yearly meetings in Bonn and COP conferences), Industry (UNIDO in Vienna), Environment (UNEP in Nairobi), Women and Gender Equality (CSW in New York).

Examples of our partnerships:

- We collaborate with organizations like FIDIC (International Federation of Consulting Engineers), CAETS (International Council of Academies of Engineering and Technological Sciences), ICSU (International Council for Sciences), ISSC-(International Social Sciences Council), IEA (International Engineering Alliance)...

What is an Associate Member?

An Associate shall be an engineering organization, other professional organization or corporate body that registers as such for the purpose of supporting the Federation, and receiving regular information on its activities. Its members may take part to WFEO's work through its STCs, on request and by approval of the Board

Benefits of Membership:

Participation:

- Belong to and make use of the largest network of engineering professional associations in the world
- Free participation in relevant Committees, as a full member
- Help to define the agenda of World Engineering Summits and the World Engineering Convention
- Present your work at and/or participate in all our events (often at reduced rates)
- Participation in any WFEO projects that are relevant to your area of interest
- Facilitation of regular contact with colleagues working in your area of interest across every continent

Advocacy:

- Reach our national members to inform and influence them in relation to your work
- Opportunities to engage with national governments through our members where appropriate
- Opportunities to influence international institutions and initiatives (not usually possible from a national level)
- Contribute to the policies and actions of WFEO in improving the engineering profession around the globe

Representation:

- Promote your organisation, its work and its agenda at the global level
- Support to represent WFEO in your work and to help you build a case for support
- Recognition on our website and in our Biennial Reports
- Your work can be featured in our e-newsletter
- Possibility of hosting meetings at UNESCO in Paris with the support of our secretariat

These advantages apply to all your staff or representatives. We would also be happy to discuss any specific ideas or requests that would help you to further your work.
