

Alliance Membership Application Form 2015 International Co-operative Alliance avenue Milcamps 105, 1030 Brussels, Belgium T: +32.2.743.10.30 - F: +32.2.743.10.39 ica@ica.coop - <u>www.ica.coop</u>

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM - 2015

## **Contact Details**

Organisation's Name			
Acronym		Country	
Address			
Telephone	+	Email	
Fax	+	Website	
Contact Person (name and title)			
Email			
Telephone	+	Skype/MSN	

# Organisation Information

Description of your organisation



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Date founded		
Does your organisation adhere to and/or support the Co-operative Identity Statement?1		
		Yes No
Comment		

# Why are you interested in membership?

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What do you expect from the Alliance?		

# **Statistical Information**

Number of member societies in 2013		
Turnover of your organisation in 2013	currency	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Co-operative Identity Statement can be found on the Alliance website at <u>http://ica.coop/en/whats-co-op/co-operative-identity-values-principles</u>



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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 joined these required documents to your application:

Statutes/Rules/Bye-Laws of your organisation

Annual Report

### Membership Status<sup>2</sup>

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

Member (full member with voting rights)		
Please indicate which best describes your organisation:		
National union or federation of co-operative organisations.		
National confederation of co-operative unions (apex organisations).		
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).		
Individual co-operative organisation (primary or grassroots co-operatives).		
International and regional (supranational) federations or unions of co-operative organisations (those with membership in multiple countries).		
Mutual organisation.		

Associate Member		
Please indicate which best describes your organisation:		
Organisations that are not otherwise eligible to be full members (choose one):		
Organisations that are supporters of co-operatives.		
	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).	
	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).	
	Government entities.	
Organisation entitled to full member status, but that is not ready to apply for full membership. <sup>3</sup>		

<sup>2</sup> 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-bye-laws

<sup>3</sup> Organisations may be accorded associate member status for a three year period to be reviewed and extended to a maximum of five years to enable them to participate in Alliance, mainly at the regional and sectoral level, before applying for full membership.



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# 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 <sup>4</sup> in 2013	
Number of individual members in 2011	

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

Organisation Name	They are our member	We are their member

#### **Associate Member**

The Alliance calculates Associate Member subscriptions based on a series of flat rates.

## Signatory of Applying Organisation

Name	
Position	
Date	
Signature	

<sup>4</sup> Individual Members are defined as:

A) For organizations that are primary co-operatives, individual members refer to the number of members the organization has. This membership number is defined in the by-laws of the organization and can include individual persons, families, policy-holders, or enterprises such as farms or businesses.

B) If the organization is a representative organization for co-operatives (apex), 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 ICA or pay a contribution to ICA.