



International Humanist and Ethical Union

Application for membership of IHEU

This form should be completed by the person who will be the main contact with IHEU – your organization's international representative.

Please read "How to apply for membership of IHEU" and the "IHEU Membership and Dues Regulations" before completing this form

1. Your organization and its contact details

Name of organization <i>in your own language, with usual abbreviation if any</i>	
Name in English <i>if applicable</i>	
Office address <i>including postal code and country</i>	
Telephone <i>with country code</i>	
Email address essential	
Internet web site <i>if any</i>	

2. Your own contact details (international representative)

Name	
Email address essential	
Telephone <i>with country code</i>	
Position in organization	

3. Membership category applied for: see Membership and Dues Regulations

Choose one:

Full member	<input type="checkbox"/>
Specialist member	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associate member	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. Organizational details

When was your organization formed?	
Do you maintain a membership register?	YES / NO
Are your membership figures audited?	YES / NO

When were organizational elections last held?	
Are your accounts audited?	YES / NO
Are you registered with the government?	YES / NO
If yes, registered as: <i>e.g. charity, cultural association...</i>	
If yes, give registration number	

5. Your organization's purpose and activities

Summary of organization's purpose	
Geographical area of activities	
Past and present activities <i>insert details here or attach details – max 1 page</i>	
Areas of special interest and/or list of committees	
Names of magazines and journals <i>state language</i>	
Regular radio and TV programmes produced	
Affiliations with other national and international organizations	

6. Calculation of annual membership dues

Local currency (code) – see www.xe.com/iso4217.php	
Current exchange rate to GBP	1.00 local currency units = GBP (Pounds sterling):
Is your organization an umbrella organization? <i>Full members only</i>	YES / NO
If yes, choose dues group “A” or “B” here - see ref 4.1d in the IHEU Membership and Dues Regulations	“A” / “B” / Not applying for full membership / Not an umbrella organization
(a) Number of individual members - see ref 3.4; for umbrella organizations, give the total individual members for all member organizations	
(b) Membership fee for each individual member (average for umbrella organizations)	Local currency
(c) Total income from membership fees – may be less than (a) x (b) due to reduced rates for students etc	Local currency
(d) Total recurrent income – from your accounts or your budget – see ref 3.6	Local currency
(e) Less income used for purposes specified in refs 3.6.2 and 3.6.3	Local currency
Calculated recurring “free” annual income (d) – (e)	Local currency
Calculated recurring “free” annual income converted into GBP (Pounds sterling)	GBP (Pounds sterling)
Calculated annual membership dues for this organization see Membership and Dues Regulations	GBP (Pounds sterling)

Your first annual membership fee covers the year of admission and the following year. **The fee must be paid before your application is considered by the General Assembly.** If the application is refused, it will be refunded.

7. Sponsors

Have you been in touch with the Regional Coordinator or an EC member for your area?	YES / NO
If yes, please give the name	
If yes, does s/he recommend you for membership?	YES / NO

If you have **not** answered "Yes" to both questions above, please give the names (with addresses, email addresses and telephone numbers) of **three sponsors**. Your sponsors must be known in IHEU's network, for example as officers of IHEU member organizations, **and** they must also be familiar with your organization and its work.

Names and contact details of three sponsors: *only if there is no IHEU sponsor*

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8. Agreement with IHEU principles

We have read IHEU's definition of Humanism and the purpose of IHEU as stated in Articles 1 and 2 of IHEU's Bylaws:

"The purpose of IHEU is to promote Humanism throughout the world, to develop Humanism as a life stance, to represent organized Humanism in international bodies, to defend human rights and the rights of humanists, to develop organized Humanism in every part of the world and to build a strong and effective global organization."

and:

"Humanism is a democratic and ethical life stance, which affirms that human beings have the right and responsibility to give meaning and shape to their own lives. It stands for the building of a more humane society through an ethics based on human and other natural values in a spirit of reason and free enquiry through human capabilities. It is not theistic, and it does not accept supernatural views of reality."

We are fully in agreement with them.

We have also read the **benefits and obligations** of IHEU membership:

Member Organizations may enjoy at least the following benefits:

- a) Be listed as a Member Organization on the IHEU web site.
- b) Have the right to use "member of IHEU" on their stationery, website, promotions and other material.

- c) Receive copies of the International Humanist News in printed and electronic form.
- d) Be represented at the General Assembly.
- e) Be invited to host the Congress and General Assembly.
- f) Participate in development of strategy and resolutions.
- g) Participate in campaigns and other activities where appropriate.

Member Organizations have the obligation to:

- a) Have a sustained commitment to the purpose of IHEU.
- b) Act at all times in ways that are in the best interest of the humanist movement
- c) Notify IHEU of any changes to their constitution.
- d) Notify IHEU of any change in address, contact details and leading officers.
- e) Appoint an IHEU contact person.
- f) Submit a copy of their annual report and audited accounts every year.
- g) Submit the necessary information for the tri-annual dues calculation.
- h) Pay the annual dues on time.

If we are accepted into membership, **we undertake to comply with the obligations.**

I enclose my organization's:

Articles of Association, Bylaws, Statutes or Constitution	YES / NO
Latest annual report	YES / NO
Latest financial statement or accounts	YES / NO

I am authorized to sign this application.

Name:	
Position:	
Signature:	
Date:	

Before sending the form, please read "How to apply for membership of IHEU" again and check that you have supplied all the requested information. This will help to avoid delays to your application.

Additional information, if any: