

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

 **For Civil Society & Non-Governmental Organisations**

**1. CRITERIA**

Please ensure that you have reviewed the criteria for membership in the webpage: [Join the Consortium](https://www.iccaconsortium.org/index.php/join-the-consortium/) and in the [Membership Policy and Procedures](https://www.iccaconsortium.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/icca-consortium-membership-policy-procedures-2021-eng.pdf).

**2. APPLICATION FORM FOR CIVIL SOCIETY & NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATION**

Please **complete the form below** by responding to all of the questions and adding links and/or supporting documentation wherever possible. If you are unable to respond to any questions, please indicate why or contact us for further discussion, as this may affect your application. Please note that as this form will be shared with our current membership, please inform us if and why you wish to keep any answers confidential.

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|  | QUESTION | RESPONSE |
| 1 | Name and address of the organisation applying for membership. |  |
| 2 | Name and contact details (email/phone) of the person submitting or responsible for the application. |  |
| 3 | Specify the organisation's status (e.g., legal, customary), whether it is for-profit or not-for-profit, its establishment date, and country of registration (if applicable). |  |
| 4 | State the organisation’s mission / reason to exist.  |  |
| 5 | Identify the countries and specific geographic areas where the organisation operates, including activities, personnel, and offices. |  |
| 6 | Indicate the level(s) at which the organisation operates (local, national, regional, or international). |  |
| 7 | Specify if the organisation works in specific ecosystems, and name them if applicable. |  |
| 8 | Provide the number of people involved with the organisation (volunteers, part-time, and full-time staff) and, if member-based, the total number of members. |  |
| 9 | Explain what the organisation does specifically to support ICCAs (territories of life). |  |
| 10 | List any partnerships with existing ICCA Consortium Members or Honorary Members, including their names, if applicable. |  |
| 11 | Describe the organisation’s top three activities. |  |
| 12 | Detail the organisation’s involvement with Indigenous Peoples and local communities, including duration, focus, and key achievements.*Please include the contact details of at least one Indigenous People or local community that is aware of the organisation’s work (phone, email, Facebook, or other contact details). We may contact them for verification of your work.*  |  |
| 13 | List the organisation’s top three funding sources (if any) and provide specific contact details for verification. |  |
| 14 | Are there any potential conflicts of interest between the organisation's activities, funding, or partnerships and the mission of the ICCA Consortium that we should be aware of? |  |
| 15 | What motivates the organisation to become a Member of the ICCA Consortium? |  |
| 16 | How does the organisation hope to benefit from being a Member of the Consortium? |  |
| 17 | What would the organisation like/be able to offer to the Consortium in return? |  |

If applicable, please attach the written Constitution, Statutes or other founding documents as well as any other links to websites, documents, videos and pictures that may convey the content and style of your organisation’s work with specific concern to ICCAs—territories of life.

**2.** **DOCUMENTATION TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION**

1. **Write and attach a formal letter** to the [Chair of the ICCA Consortium Membership Committee](https://www.iccaconsortium.org/people/aman-singh/) (aman.s@iccaconsortium.org) explaining your organisation's work in relation to ICCAs—territories of life and your reasons for seeking membership. When sending the letter, ensure you copy Xaviera Elorza, Administration and Membership Coordinator, at xaviera.e@iccaconsortium.org.
2. **Attach a formal recommendation letter** written by an existing Member or Honorary member of the ICCA Consortium that is aware of your organisation’s work. The letter can be as brief as an email, and it must be sent directly to the Chair of the ICCA Consortium Membership Committee and Xaviera Elorza (contact details above). If your organisation does not have current partnerships with any Members or Honorary members, please refer to the [online list of Consortium Members](https://www.iccaconsortium.org/members-en/) in your country/region or contact the relevant [Regional Coordinator](https://www.iccaconsortium.org/secretariat-en/#coordinators) to learn about Honorary members. If you are unable to secure a recommendation letter, please explain why.
3. **Attach a high-quality photo** showing your organisation actively working in or supporting ICCAs—territories of life (preferably not just a static group or workshop photo). Please provide a brief caption, credit, and explicit permission for public use of the photo. If your application is approved without objections, the photo may be featured in the webpage announcement of new Members. Please consider any potential sensitivities or security risks for individuals in the photo and prioritise caution when selecting the image.

Once you receive confirmation that your complete application has been successfully submitted —consisting of **(1) formal letter**, **(2) completed form** with all supporting documents, and **(3) recommendation letter**—the Membership Committee will begin its review. Please note that the examination process will require a minimum of two months depending on the submission date.

For further information or clarification, you may contact Xaviera Elorza, Administration and Membership Coordinator, at xaviera.e@iccaconsortium.org.

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Member of the ICCA Consortium!

