



## APPLICATION FORM FOR MEMBERSHIP OF EUROCARERS

Name of organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

President or CEO: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal form of the organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Registration number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of registration: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Applying for (see definitions below) *(Please tick a box)*:

- Full membership
- Associate membership
- Observer member

I hereby confirm that my Organisation is familiar with and accepts to abide by Eurocarers' statutes, Internal Rules and Statement of Intent/Mission Statement (See [www.eurocarers.org](http://www.eurocarers.org))

## MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

### 1. Full membership

Full members define the policies, strategies and priorities of the Association and continuously contribute to its activities. As such, they have full voting rights at General Meetings of the Association and can stand for election to the organisational structures of the Association in accordance with Eurocarers' statutes.

To be eligible for full membership, an applicant organisation must:

- be located in one of the member states of the Council of Europe;
- demonstrate that it has propagated a better awareness of informal/unpaid/family care;
- have a European or national remit, or, depending on the structures of national health and social service systems, a sub-national or regional remit;
- not pursue a profit-making purpose;
- be legally incorporated according to the laws and customs of the country where they are established;
- Adhere to Eurocarers' statutes.

Please select the category under which your organisation falls:

- Carers organisation
  - National
  - Sub-national /regional
  - All carers
  - Specific patients' group (please specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Research organisation

Select the type of Full membership you would like to subscribe to:

(Please note that the amount of your annual membership fees will depend on your organisation's turnover and on the services you want to benefit from - see table on page 6. The Board is entitled to request more recent annual financial statement from member organisations at any given time.)

- Full Member Tier I**
  - Turnover >1.5m (annual fee: € 3.500)
  - Turnover between 750k-1.5m (annual fee: € 2.750)
  - Turnover <750k (annual fee: € 2.000)
- Full Member Tier II**
  - Turnover >700k (annual fee: € 1.250)
  - Turnover between 250k-700k (annual fee: € 750)
  - Turnover <250k (annual fee: € 500)

## [2. Associate Membership](#)

This membership category concerns organisations that do not qualify as carers or research and development organisations, and yet have a predominant interest in the advancement of informal care. Associate members have no voting rights in the Association and no right to stand for election to the organisational structures of the Association.

Please select what category your organisation falls under:

- NGO
- Research
- Other

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Please select the type of Associate membership and package of services you want to subscribe to (please see table on page 6):

- Associate (annual fee: 250 Euros)
- Associate (annual fee: 100 Euros)

## [3. Observer membership \(only for individuals, not for organisations\)](#)

Individual members have no voting rights in the Association and no right to stand for election to the organisational structures of the Association.

Please select one:

- Carer
- Research
- Personal interest
- Affiliation with carers' issues? Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

## **MEMBERSHIP FEES**

### **PAYMENT METHODS:**

**CREDIT TRANSFER:** (Include Organisation's name)

**Bank account holder:** Eurocarers

**Bank:** Belfius Bank

**Bank address:** Rue de Linthout 222 - 1040 Brussels

**Bank account n.:** 0689 0089 0254

**IBAN:** BE42 0689 0089 0254

**Swift code:** GKCCBEBB

## **DOCUMENTATION**

This application should be accompanied by the following documents and data:

- ✓ Work programme or mission statement of the applicant's organisation;

- ✓ Most recent annual financial statement of the applicant's organisation (only for applicants as full members);
- ✓ Updated statutes of the applicant, respectively the act of constitution of the applicant and all modifications thereto;
- ✓ A declaration whereby the applicant accepts the Association's Statement of Intent and statutes;
- ✓ Document demonstrating the applicant's representativeness (in the case of organisations representing carers) and democratic/transparent decision-making structure.

Any other documents: *The Eurocarers Board reserves the right to request any additional information deemed necessary to assess the applicant's submission. Should the Board do so, the application process will be suspended until all additional details are communicated by the applicant. When issuing advice to the Board regarding membership applications, the Eurocarers Secretariat may rely on any material at its disposal, including information obtained from third parties.*

**For Eurocarers**

Stecy Yghemonos

Executive Director



**For the Applicant organisation**

Name of Legal Representative:

Position:

Date:

Signature:

## Eurocarers Membership Fee Policy

### General principles

Our membership fee policy was revisited by the Executive Board of Directors and General Assembly in 2015 and has been enforced since. The policy builds on various key values and principles, including:

- **Equity** – Eurocarers recognises that Europe is not homogenous but diverse. Eligible bodies of all sizes and compositions are therefore warmly invited and encouraged to participate in our activities. On that basis, while categories by size (and financial means) are included in the membership fee policy, most services are provided equally among members.
- **Solidarity** – the greatest possible effort is made by the network to remain inclusive to all eligible bodies irrespective of ability to pay and, in return, eligible bodies contribute as much as they possibly can towards autonomous network operations.
- **Trust** – members are requested to self-define the levels that they are able and willing to contribute within a range without evidence being required except in work within co-funded projects (i.e. when specifically required by a donor).

### Services provided

Although Eurocarers does not have a formal membership recruitment strategy, the main efforts of our secretariat and Board in terms of network development are to:

- a) Continuously grow and diversify the breadth of our membership;
- b) Provide high-quality membership services;
- c) Engage in cross-sectoral cooperation; and
- d) Maintain increasing visibility and remain a network of excellence on the European scene in the areas of health, social and long-term care, and the future of relevant systems.

The services and advantages provided to the members of the Eurocarers network include (depending on the category to which they belong):

- Vote at the General Assembly regarding Eurocarers' annual budget and work plan;
- Election of Board members;
- (Funded) access to Eurocarers capacity-building activities, including regional conferences, research workshops, exchange visits, etc.;
- Research development;
- Access to funded work (i.e. join project consortia, sponsored activities, etc.), with priority for full members;
- Access to the Eurocarers newsletter, including information about the network's activities, relevant policy developments, opportunities for funded work, events, etc.;
- Advocacy, policy briefings and communications services;
- Promotion of national and regional activities and work at EU level;
- Policy and programme consultations; and
- Full information, technical assistance, and secretariat support.

## Eurocarers Membership Fee Policy (as approved by the AGM in September 2015)

	Turnover (Direct expenditure on carers' issues)	Fee	Board place (nomination) <sup>1</sup>	AGM Vote	AGM delegate funding	Access to funded work	Access to funded Capacity Building	Staff networks (Research/Policy/Practice)	Newsletter/resource materials
<b>Full Member (Tier I)</b>	>1.5m	3,500	01:03	X1	1	Priority	Peer review/staff trainer costs	Two (of three) funded	+
	750k-1.5m	2,750	01:03	X1	1	Priority	Peer review/staff trainer costs	Two (of three) funded	+
	<750k	2,000	01:03	X1	1	Priority	Peer review/staff trainer costs	Two (of three) funded	+
<b>Full Member (Tier II)</b>	>700k	1,250	01:10	X1	1	Limited	Funded training Seminars	One (of three) funded	+
	250k-700k	750	01:10	X1	1	Limited	Funded training Seminars	One (of three) funded	+
	<250k	500	01:10	X1	1	Limited	Funded training Seminars	One (of three) funded	+
<b>Associate → to be fine-tuned by AGM 2016 as specific status for developing organisations</b>		250			By invitation	By invitation	Mentoring programme	By invitation	+
<b>Associate<sup>2</sup></b>		100							Newsletter only
<b>Observer<sup>3</sup></b>		50							Newsletter only
<b>+ Co-opted Board members</b>									

<sup>1</sup> A majority of the Board will be made of carer-led organisations, in accordance with our statutes.

<sup>2</sup> Only organisations (i.e. not individuals) can join as Associates

<sup>3</sup> Only individuals can join as Observers