Information for Membership Applicants

This document provides you with information on the different membership categories available, which criteria need to be fulfilled for each category, as well as the corresponding membership fees. Membership applicants will also find below an overview of the benefits of joining FEANTSA, as well as the duties that come with joining the organisation.

Types of membership

To join FEANTSA, organisations can apply for the following membership categories:

- Member
- Affiliate
- Correspondent

1. Member

To become Member, applicants need to fulfil the following criteria:
- To be a Non-Governmental Organisation
- To be working with homeless people and/or on the issue of homelessness
- To be based in a country within FEANTSA’s geographical scope (27 EU Member States + United Kingdom + Switzerland, Iceland, Norway, Lichtenstein)

FEANTSA governance is reserved exclusively to Members, meaning that they are the only organisations represented on the General Assembly, Administrative Council & Executive Committee and eligible for statutory functions, such as President.

The annual FEANTSA membership fee for Members is 1500€.

2. Affiliate

To become Affiliate, applicants need to fulfil the following criteria:
- To not be a Non-Governmental Organisation
- To be working on the issue of homelessness
- To be based in a country within FEANTSA’s geographical scope (27 EU Member States + United Kingdom + Switzerland, Iceland, Norway, Lichtenstein)

Affiliates do not participate in FEANTSA governance, but can engage in all other activities on the same basis as members.

The annual FEANTSA membership fee for Affiliates is 1500€.

3. Correspondent

To become Correspondent, applicants need to be based in Europe.

The annual FEANTSA membership fee for Correspondents is 100€.
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4. Rights and benefits

Members
Members participate in the governance of FEANTSA. This means attending the GA (General Assembly) and being represented on the AC (Administrative Council), from which and by whom the EC (Executive Committee) is nominated. Members get travel and accommodation costs reimbursed for one delegate of the GA. The GA usually takes place one day before the policy conference.

Affiliates
Affiliates will be able to participate in all activities of FEANTSA, including networking and thematic work, but will not get reimbursed for travel- and accommodation costs.

All membership categories
FEANTSA uses a significant proportion of its budget to cover the costs of Members, Affiliates & Correspondents’ participation in specific activities e.g. meetings of the thematic clusters. This is organized on a case-by-case basis depending on the aims of the specific activity.

Members, Affiliates & Correspondents will have access to FEANTSA members’ only pages on the website where they can access FEANTSA official documents (including the statutes), follow the internal functioning of our organisation or find information on lobbying contacts.

FEANTSA’s work programme is funded by the EU on an annual basis. The structure of the work programme is as follows:
• Transnational exchanges (conferences, thematic clusters, etc.);
• Lobbying (EU & national level);
• Research (through the European Observatory on Homelessness – see website);
• Communications (Newsletter, Flash, website, etc.).

The entirety of our membership (Members, Affiliates, Correspondents) is invited to participate in and benefit from our work programme. This can happen in a variety of ways:
• Contributing articles to our thematic newsletter and monthly email The Flash;
• Participating in events;
• Participating in the work of thematic clusters
  FEANTSA’s thematic clusters are informal groups of experts/practitioners on specific topics. They exchange and collaborate remotely, and organise regular events. Each cluster is coordinated by a member of the policy team. The themes covered are:
  Housing
  Employment
  Health
  Housing rights
  Youth
  Women’s homelessness
  Migration
  Participation
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- Getting involved in EU projects;
- Joint lobbying on relevant EU policies and programmes;
- FEANTSA publications
- Engaging with FEANTSA’s thematic platforms: The Housing First Europe Hub, The Housing Solutions Platform, Housing Rights Watch
- Benefitting from academic knowledge and scientific studies on the topic of homelessness through research from the European Observatory on homelessness
- And more

5. Duties

Members are encouraged and expected to participate in the governance of FEANTSA. Members, Affiliates and Correspondents are bound to the Statement of FEANTSA values. Members, Affiliates and Correspondents are encouraged and expected to contribute to the Work programme as indicated above. Members, Affiliates and Correspondents are expected to pay a membership fee.

If you are interested in applying for FEANTSA membership, please head to https://www.feantsa.org/en/membership/apply-for-membership-online-form