



ENCC APPLICATION PROCESS

How to join ENCC? Becoming an ENCC member is **very easy!** :-)

Follow the following steps:

- 1)** First, read more [about ENCC](#) and its [activities](#) in order to make sure that you **support the mission and aims of the network**. For more details about the ENCC structure, especially the membership conditions (Title II), please refer to [its statutes](#).
- 2)** Check which of the **membership categories** you or your organisation could belong to based on the eligibility criteria below.

Are you a cultural centre or a regional/national network of cultural centres? Apply for the **full membership!** If you are a cultural organisation/institutions or an individual person, apply to become an **associated member!**

Membership categories and eligibility criteria:

Our members can be either **full or associated members**.

5 criteria to become an ENCC full member:

- ✓ be either a **national, regional or local networks of cultural centres** (*see the definitions below**)
- ✓ be located in Europe;
- ✓ clearly support the mission and key objectives of ENCC as they are written in [Art. 4 of ENCC Statutes](#);
- ✓ commit to participating in the ENCC meetings including the General Assembly once a year
- ✓ and be ready to pay the annual membership fee (*see below*).

4 criteria to become an ENCC associated member:

- ✓ be a **cultural organisation/institution** or an **individual person**;
- ✓ be located in Europe;
- ✓ clearly support the mission and key objectives of ENCC as they are written in [Art. 4 of ENCC Statutes](#)
- ✓ and be ready to pay the annual membership fee (*see below*).

Unlike the full members, associated members don't have to take part to the General Assembly once a year but they are of course more than welcome.

Definitions:

* **National and regional networks** are non-profit associations representing cultural centres at the regional/national level. They are umbrella organisations, responsible for advocacy for culture at regional/national level, providing capacity building programmes, legal advice services, expert analysis and research. Some national networks represent also the employees of the cultural centres. They can be national/regional associations of cultural houses, art centres, community centres, socio-cultural centres, amateur groups, cultural associations, local artistic-cultural initiatives, etc.

* **Local networks** represent a cultural centre and its local network. They are a “cultural space” that promotes culture and arts working closely with and within the local communities (neighbourhood community arts organisations, private facilities, government-sponsored, or activist-run). They can be for instance theatres with community work programmes, local artistic-cultural initiatives, etc.

*ENCC community defines a **cultural centre** as an organisation rooted in the local community work, representing its interests, contributing to its development at different levels and adhering to our values as follows:

- strengthen the position and role of national networks of cultural centres and, where no such networks exist, stimulate their formation in Europe;
- explore and experiment new models of cooperation and networking of cultural organisations;
- focus on capacity-building for the empowerment of citizens.

You don't recognise yourself in any of this description but are however interested to become an ENCC member? Don't hesitate to drop a line to our Membership Officer, Clémence Garnier at clemence.garnier@encc.eu ;-)

3) Have a look at the annual membership fees:

National network	700 €
Regional network	350 €
Local network	100 €
Associated member	50 €

The membership fee period is 1 January – 31 December. The membership fees are calculated according to the type of organisation and membership categories.



- 4) Before applying, if you have any question about the application procedure or would like to get further information about ENCC, **don't hesitate to contact** [Clémence Garnier, Membership Officer](#) or by phone: 00 32 2 422 00 00.
- 5) **Apply by filling in the [online application form](#)**. In your application, you should clearly support the mission and the key objectives of ENCC as they are written in [Art. 4 of ENCC Statutes](#).
- 6) Your application will be considered by **ENCC Board** and you will be informed about their decision as soon as possible.
- 7) You receive a positive answer? You are officially member of our community and can take part in our activities! **Welcome! :-)**

[Apply now!](#)