



Membership - Application Form

The African Hydrogen Partnership (AHP)

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1. Membership Application, Approval and Admission Process

1.1. The Two-Stage Process

The application and admission process consists of two stages. In order for an organization (prospective member) to become a member of the AHP, an organization must be eligible for becoming an AHP member (1st Stage of the Process) and a legally required background check of the prospective member must be successfully completed (2nd Stage of the Process).

The two stages are shown next:

- 1. 1st Stage - Application for Membership and Initial Assessment of Eligibility**
 - 1.1. Application for Membership
 - The prospective member submits this application form
 - 1.2. Initial Assessment of Application
 - The AHP conducts an initial assessment of the application and eligibility of the prospective member

- 2. 2nd Stage - Background Checks and Admission as Member to the AHP**
 - 2.1. Background Check
 - After the prospective member's application has passed the initial assessment two types of background checks are conducted:
 - Due Diligence Checks of the prospective member
 - Checks of Declaration of Sources of Funds/Wealth
 - 2.2. Admission
 - After the successful background check the prospective member becomes a member of the AHP

The two stages of the process are described in detail next:

1.2. 1st Stage of the Process - Application and Initial Assessment

1. Please send this completed and signed **Application Form** and **Guarantee Letter** to < secretary.general@afr-h2-p.com >.
2. Please include with your membership application a short bio of your company, with details of activities (e.g. sites, type of activities, revenues...) and how hydrogen fits into your strategy and plans.
3. The AHP assesses if your organisation is eligible for becoming an AHP member. There are two possible results of the initial assessment:
 - **Negative Result of the Initial Assessment:**
If your organisation is not eligible, the AHP Secretary General will inform the applicant and the AHP Board accordingly. The AHP General Assembly will decide on the rejection of the organisation's application upon a proposal of the Board.
 - **Positive Result of the Initial Assessment:**
If your organisation is eligible, the process will move to the next stage, i.e. the 2nd Stage. The AHP will inform you accordingly.

1.3. 2nd Stage of the Process - Background Checks and Admission

1.3.1. 2nd Stage - Broader Context

The AHP does not accept individuals as members. Only organisations can join the AHP.

The AHP is a diverse, international and democratic African organization governed by its members. In order to form the strongest possible international alliance for utilizing Africa's hydrogen potential and creating green wealth, **organizations from anywhere in the world are welcome to join the AHP**. Since the AHP is governed by its members and administered by its bodies of elected representatives, only organizations in good standing can join the AHP and a background check is required to avoid risks and to ensure that the highest standards are met.

In accordance with the requirements of current anti-money laundering; proceeds of crime and counter terrorism financing legislation, the AHP is required to establish and record evidence of the identity and source of funds for all of the AHP's prospective members before they can become Members of the AHP.

After a prospective member's application for becoming a member of the AHP has passed the initial assessment of the 1st Stage of the process, Accuvise Administrators Limited, the AHP's Registered Agent [the Management Company (MC)] in Mauritius, will let the prospective member know if additional documentation is needed.

The background checks are externally done by the Compliance Department of Accuvise Administrators Limited, the AHP's Registered Agent [the Management Company (MC)] in Mauritius in order to comply with regulations and to avoid any breach of confidentiality, i.e. sensitive information of the prospective member will not be shared within the AHP.

The contact details of the AHP's MC are shown next:

**Registered Agent of the
African Hydrogen Partnership,
Accuvis Administrators Limited**
7A Mayer Street,
Port Louis,
Mauritius

Email address:

operations@accuviseltd.com

Telephone: (+230) 260 2644; Fax: (+230) 214 9105

Internet: <https://accuviseltd.com/>

1.3.2. 2nd Stage - Process Steps

The steps associated with Due Diligence Checks, Declaration of Sources of Funds/Wealth and admission process are described next:

1. Accuvis Accuvis Administrators Limited, the Registered Agent of the AHP [the AHP's Management Company (MC)], will let the prospective member know if additional documentation is needed.
2. If additional information is needed, the Prospective Member, i.e. the organisation that applied for AHP membership, provides the MC with the required documents.
3. After the MC's compliance department has completed the background checks and approved the application, the MC updates the register of Members in Mauritius accordingly; the prospective member has become a Member of the AHP.
4. The AHP Secretariat informs the new Member accordingly, provides the new Member with the membership confirmation letter and requests payment of membership fees (according to the AHP Fees Schedule, and including a discount if applicable) via an invoice with full bank account details of AHP.

2. Data Protection

The AHP and its MC collect and process all personal data in line with the Data Protection Act 2017 of Mauritius and GDPR.

The AHP and its MC are committed to ensuring protection of all personal information that we hold, and to provide and to protect all such data. We recognise our obligations in updating and expanding this program to meet the requirements of GDPR.

We are dedicated to safeguarding the personal information under our control and in maintaining a system that meets our obligations under prevailing laws and regulations. All of this information provided will be kept securely by AHP and its MC.

As a result of becoming a member of AHP your personal data will be processed in Mauritius. As an entity which offers goods and services into the European Union, where we process personal data of

data subjects resident in the Union the GDPR applies to us. Should you require further information please contact the data protection officer.

You are entitled to ask for details of any personal information that we hold. This will be provided as quickly as possible, but in any event, no later than 30 days after receipt of the request. We will not charge for accessing and providing you with the information. At the same time we will remind you of your rights which are to:

- Have your data provided in a commonly used electronic format (data portability);
- Have inaccuracies corrected;
- Have information erased where we have no overriding reason to retain the data;
- Prevent direct marketing;
- Prevent automated decision-making and profiling.

We are committed to developing appropriate safeguards to make sure that your personal data is kept secure and confidential, and is protected against reasonably anticipated threats to its security or integrity, and against unauthorised access or use that might result in substantial harm or inconvenience to data subjects. If you would like more information, please feel free to contact us.

3. Membership - Categories and Fees

3.1. Types of Membership

The AHP offers the following types of membership:

1. Industry Grouping
 - **Industry Member**
 - **Industry Associated Member**
2. Association Grouping
 - **Association Member**
 - **Association Associated Member**
3. University Grouping
 - **University Member**

3.2. Eligibility Criteria

Industry Grouping

Industry Members - Membership of the AHP is open to companies meeting each of the following criteria:

1. Companies with relevant activities in research & development, demonstration, industrialization or deployment of green hydrogen and fuel cells in Africa or with concrete plans to do so in the near future in Africa
2. Companies agreeing with the Articles of the AHP (hereinafter referred to as the "AHPArticles") and sharing the AHP's objectives

Industry Associated Members - Industry Associated Members include financial or consulting companies meeting criteria 2

1. For **renewables associated members**:

- companies with relevant activities in research & development, demonstration, industrialization or deployment of renewable, environmentally friendly, or sustainable technologies in Africa or with concrete plans to do so in the near future in Africa
- 2. For **financial associated members**:
 - companies with existing or planned activities in financing clean energy projects or companies in Africa;
 - or existing or planned activities in financing the hydrogen industry or hydrogen projects in Africa
- 3. For **consultant associated members**:
 - companies with existing activities in hydrogen related projects.

Association Grouping

Association Members - Membership of the AHP is open to Associations meeting each of the following criteria:

1. Associations with relevant advocacy, regulatory, communication capacities supporting the development and deployment of hydrogen and fuel cells within their respective States
2. Association agreeing with the AHP Articles

Association Associated Members - Associated membership of the AHP is open to associations meeting criteria 2 but not criterion 1.


University Grouping

University Members - University Membership of the AHP is open to **Universities** and **R&D Organisations** meeting each of the following criteria:

1. Criteria 1
 - a. **Universities** with relevant research capacities supporting the development and deployment of hydrogen and fuel cells within their respective states or
 - b. **Research and Development organisations (R&D Organisations)** - which are state owned, state managed, or not-for-profit organisations - with relevant research capacities supporting the development and deployment of hydrogen and fuel cells within their respective states
2. Criteria 2
and Universities or R&D Organisations agreeing with the AHP Articles.

3.3. Membership Fees

Membership Fees - Please check relevant tick box in the (yellow) Size column on the right-hand side of the table (in case of conflicting criterion, please choose larger category):

The AHP Trade Association - Membership - Fees (fees are subject to change)									
Grouping	Member/ Associated Member	Activity	Size	Criterion 1	Criterion 2	or	Criterion 2	Annual Fee (US\$)	SIZE
				Staff Headcount	Revenue (US\$)	or	Balance Sheet Total (US\$)		
Industry Grouping	Member	Hydrogen or Fuel Cell	Large	>250	> 50 MM	or	> 45 MM	15,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Medium	<250	≤ 50 MM	or	≤ 45 MM	8,500	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Small	<50	≤ 10 MM	or	≤ 10 MM	3,500	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Micro	<10	≤ 2 MM	or	≤ 2 MM	1,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Associated Member	Renewable Energy Finance Banking Consultancy	Large	>250	> 50 MM	or	> 45 MM	7,500	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Medium	<250	≤ 50 MM	or	≤ 45 MM	4,250	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Small	<50	≤ 10 MM	or	≤ 10 MM	1,750	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Micro	<10	≤ 2 MM	or	≤ 2 MM	875	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grouping	Member/ Associated Member	Activity	Type	Annual Fee				SIZE	
Association Grouping	Member	Hydrogen or Fuel Cell	Multi-National	Multi-National Associates: US\$ 4,000				<input type="checkbox"/>	
			National	Large/Advanced Countries: ~ US\$ 2,500; Medium Countries: ~ US\$ 1,500; Small Countries: ~ US\$ 875. Please contact the AHP Board for exact membership fees.				<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Associated Member	not Hydrogen or Fuel Cell	Multi-National	Multi-National Associates: US\$ 2,000				<input type="checkbox"/>	
			National	Large/Advanced Countries: ~ US\$ 1,250; Medium Countries: ~ US\$ 750; Small Countries: ~ US\$ 625 Please contact the AHP Board for exact membership fees.				<input type="checkbox"/>	
Grouping	Member/ Associated Member	Activity	Size	Criterion 1 Student Headcount	Criterion 2 Budget	Annual Fee (US\$)		SIZE	
University Grouping	Member	Hydrogen or Fuel Cell	Large	> 40 M	> 1 B	575		<input type="checkbox"/>	
			Medium	< 40 M	≤ 1 B	525		<input type="checkbox"/>	
			Small	< 20 M	≤ 100 MM	475		<input type="checkbox"/>	
			Micro	< 5 M	≤ 50 MM	425		<input type="checkbox"/>	

4. Application Form & Guarantee Letter

Details of the Organisation applying for membership. Please fill in details:

Name of the organization (full legal name)	
Marketing name (to be used in the AHP' communication material)	
Web Address (URL)	
Organization's registered address	Address Line 1
	Address Line 2
	Address Line 3
	Post Code
	City
	Country
Correspondence address (if different from registered address)	Address Line 1
	Address Line 2
	Address Line 3
	Post Code
	City
	Country
Invoicing address (if different from registered address)	Address Line 1
	Address Line 2
	Address Line 3

	Post Code
	City
	Country
Invoice contact name	
Business Activity	
Type of membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry Member
	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry Associated Member
	<input type="checkbox"/> Association Member
	<input type="checkbox"/> Association Associated Member
	<input type="checkbox"/> University Member
Type of organisation	<input type="checkbox"/> Company Limited by Shares
	<input type="checkbox"/> Company Limited by Guarantee
	<input type="checkbox"/> Foundation
	<input type="checkbox"/> Trust
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other. If other, please provide details of the type of organisation:
If Listed Company, details of Stock Exchange	
Does your company accept PDF invoices?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please provide email address to be sent to:
	<input type="checkbox"/> No.
Name of the company's officer authorized to represent the company in the AHP and sign documents:	Full Name (First and Last Name):
	Academic Title:
	Position:

	Email Address
	Phone Number:

Registrar for the purpose of protection, accountability and control. Stock Exchanges.

Registrar of Companies/Organisations (e.g. UK - Companies House; Germany - Handelsregister; The Netherlands - KVK (Kamer van Koophandel))	Name
	Web Address (URL)
	Registered name of organisation applying for AHP Membership
	ID of organisation applying for AHP Membership issued by Registrar
LEI (Legal Entity Identifier) if available	
Name of regulatory body exercising regulatory or supervisory authority if applicable [e.g. UK - FCA (Financial Conduct Authority); Germany - BaFin (German: Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht, Federal Financial Supervisory Authority)]	Name
	Web Address (URL)
For <u>Listed</u> Companies only	Name of Stock Exchange
	Web Address (URL) of Stock Exchange
	ISIN of Company
	RIC (Reuters Identification Code) of Company <u>or</u> Bloomberg Ticker of Company

Membership Services

SPOC (Single Point of Contact) - please indicate the main representative of the organization for hydrogen and AHP related activities. This person will always receive all the communication materials and might be appointed as a delegate to represent the organization at events, including the General Assembly.

Please indicate contact name and email address:

Full Name (First and Last Name):

E-Mail Address:

General Assembly (GA)¹ - The GA is composed of all members of the AHP. The GA is the opportunity for members to receive updates on the AHP's operations activities as policy and regulatory dossiers, vote on core association matters, as well as network with other members. The powers of the GA are defined in the AHP Articles.

Please indicate contact name and email address of GA representative if different from SPOC:

Full Name (First and Last Name):

E-Mail Address:

Industry Grouping Committees - The purpose of the Industry Grouping Committees is coordination of specific industries within the AHP and communication with the members of the Board through the Coordination Group. The Board of the AHP develops a strategic vision for the longer term development and positioning of the AHP and AHP related programmes. Every year the AHP Board proposes annual strategic communication plans and decides on the implementation modalities of any decision in respect thereof. The strategic vision, communication plans and implementation modalities are prepared on the basis of the work of the Industry Grouping Committees.

NOTE: Participation in Industry Grouping Committees is reserved to Industry Grouping Members.

Committee 1: Production of Hydrogen

¹ Appointing a representative for the General Assembly is compulsory for Industry members and Associations. Attendance for Associated members is optional. The representative can ask to be replaced by a colleague, if he/she is not available.

- Committee 2:** Hydrogen Derivatives
- Committee 3:** Export
- Committee 4:** Domestic Markets
- Committee 5:** Attracting Energy Intensive Industries (FDI)
- Committee 6:** Finance and Investment

Advocacy Taskforce (ATF) - The ATF aims to coordinate, collect and amplify members' input into the daily advocacy work developed by the Secretary General and the Secretariat team in all matters relevant to hydrogen and fuel cells. The main focus of the ATF is on continent-wide, AU (African Union) level; regional or national level issues raised by members and/or other parties will be assessed on ad-hoc basis depending on their relevance for the broader African dimension.

The purpose and activities of the task force shall be notably

1. Definition and preparation of position papers
2. Monitor all legislative activities in Africa and the AU.
3. Crosscheck with legal issues in Africa and the AU Member States
4. Organise the AHP (associated) members' contributions to legislative proposals (also by the tools of the internal website).
5. Convene regularly to discuss current issues.
6. Support the advocacy work of the Secretariat and the Board

Please indicate contact name and email address:

Full Name (First and Last Name):

E-Mail Address:

Financial Advisory Group - With a view to supporting financial tasks for promoting, developing and implementing hydrogen and fuel cell programmes in Africa, a Financial Advisory Group shall be created by the Board composed of maximum five Financial Associated Members. The members shall be appointed by the Board on the basis of their proven experience with development, corporate, investment and transaction banking as well as fund management. The Financial Advisory Group is not part of the Board. It only provides advice to the board.

NOTE: The Board of the AHP appoints only Financial Associated Members to the Financial Advisory Group.

Please indicate contact name and email address:

Full Name (First and Last Name):

E-Mail Address:

AHP Newsletters – The AHP issues two newsletters, one for members only with policy or regulatory intelligence; another one for members and any interested stakeholders. You can indicate as many people from your company as you would like.

Full Name	Position	E-Mail Address	Phone Number

I hereby confirm that the above-mentioned company is financially viable and earning sufficient revenue to cover the AHP's membership fees.

I hereby acknowledge that I am aware of the content of the AHP Articles, the AHP Charter, the Constitution and Bylaws of the AHP as detailed under the following link: <https://www.afr-h2-p.com/ahp-bylaws>, and I formally understand and accept the rights and obligations therein.

I hereby acknowledge that I am aware of the Legal Form of the AHP as detailed under the following link: <https://www.afr-h2-p.com/organisation>.

I hereby confirm that by providing personal data to the AHP and/or entering into a membership and/or similar contract with the AHP, implies that you declare that you are fully informed about this privacy policy and that you fully accept this privacy policy without any reservation. You have several rights regarding your personal data, i.e. the right of information, access and copy of your personal data, rectification, erasure, restriction of processing, data portability, objection, withdrawal of consent and complaint.

By signing and sending this form you give your explicit consent to the AHP to communicate with you via email and to use data provided as described in the AHP privacy policy (<https://www.afr-h2-p.com/privacy-policy>).

By signing and sending this form, you (the authorized officer representing your organization in the AHP) give your explicit consent to the AHP to create an AHP email account for the SPOC (Single Point of Contact), i.e. the main representative of your organization for hydrogen activities and the AHP, to be used by the SPOC for AHP internal communication and AHP related work.

By signing this form, I understand that my organisation becomes a member of the AHP, subject to AHP's Articles and Bylaws as detailed under the following link: <https://www.afr-h2-p.com/ahp-bylaws>. Please note that, according to the Articles, each member will pay an annual subscription fee for each year as per issued invoice. Membership is renewed and an invoice issued automatically at the beginning of each year, unless it is cancelled as stated in the Articles of the AHP. I am aware that non-payment of sums due to the AHP may lead to removal from the register of AHP members.

By signing this form, I agree that all disputes between the organisation and the AHP are subject to Mauritius law, excluding any conflict of law principle.

By signing this form, I understand that my email address will be used for outbound emails. It must be unique to me and not shared. It is my responsibility to ensure that my email address is correct. The AHP will not accept responsibility for emails being sent to email addresses which are no longer used, which are incorrectly formatted, or which are publicly available.

Full name and signature of the authorized officer	Full Name:
	Position:
	Signature:

Company's seal (if feasible).	
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Date	
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Guarantee Letter

**To the AHP Secretariat
 African Hydrogen Partnership (AHP)
 c/o Accuvis Administrators Limited
 7A Mayer Street
 Port Louis
 Mauritius**

In accordance with the Type of Membership applied for, I hereby certify on behalf of my organisation that my organisation will support the AHP for an amount as selected in the table shown next in the event of a winding up of the AHP:

Class of Member/Associated Member	Membership Class	Amount (Contribution)
<input type="checkbox"/> Industry Member	Class A 1	US\$ 100
<input type="checkbox"/> Industry Associated Member	Class B 1	US\$ 10
<input type="checkbox"/> Association Member	Class A 2	US\$ 75
<input type="checkbox"/> Association Associated Member	Class B 2	US\$ 10
<input type="checkbox"/> University Member	Class A 3	US\$ 50

(Note, please tick only one checkbox in the first column. The “Class of Member/Associated Members” should be in accordance with the “Type of Membership” you selected on your Application Form.)

- By signing this form, I understand that the amount (contribution) in accordance with the class, i.e. type of the AHP membership, is non-refundable in case of winding up the AHP.
- By signing this form, I understand that amount is a one-off contribution and covered by the payment of the first annual AHP membership fees.

Full name and signature of the authorized officer/manager	Full Name:
	Position:
	Signature:

Date	
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