

Welcome

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation. As a member of SCIC, you will be a part of a vibrant network of organizations and individuals dedicated to global understanding, cooperation, peace and justice. Collectively, we work together to connect people to the information and ideas they need to be great global citizens and take meaningful action for a more just and sustainable world.

Membership in SCIC gives you access to a community of international development, humanitarian relief and public engagement practitioners with whom you can share ideas and opportunities. You will share in SCIC's purpose of building awareness, connections, capacity and momentum among members and the general public through networking and collaboration, communication and public engagement, skills development and peer learning as well as representation at the local, national and international level.

Why Become a Member?

Member Benefits Include:

- Access to a network of organizations and individuals to share knowledge, skills and create new collaboration opportunities
- Access SCIC's extensive communications network including our social media platforms, website and E-zines to promote your organization, projects, events, and employment, internship and volunteer opportunities
- Access to the SCIC Public Engagement Project Fund for Development Education (application and guide on-line at www.earthbeat.sk.ca under Members → Funding), including coaching by SCIC staff to enhance your public engagement endeavours
- Invitations to SCIC's Global Citizens Galas, Annual General Meetings and other member networking events
- Build capacity through preferred access to SCIC professional development opportunities and training programs
- Increase your organizational capacity through access to policy development support and media exposure
- Participate in the governance of SCIC by serving on the Board of Directors
- Help set SCIC's priorities and strategic directions, and put forward resolutions on matters of importance
- Share your knowledge and gain valuable skills by sitting on a SCIC Committee
- Access SCIC resources including Green Event supplies, meeting rooms, a small but growing library and button maker
- Be represented at the provincial, national and international level through the Inter-Council Network and the Canadian Council for International Cooperation

- Receive topical, timely and interesting information about global issues and the global justice sector
- Increase the strength and leverage of our collective efforts in working for sustainable local and global development

Membership Criteria

Membership in the Council represents a commitment to undertaking international or community development, global justice and/or environmental justice education programming and initiatives in Saskatchewan. Additionally SCIC expects members to have a genuine, organized Saskatchewan base that can participate in and support the work of the council and the global justice network in Saskatchewan.

To qualify for organizational membership with SCIC, an applicant must:

- Be a non-profit organization registered in Saskatchewan or a non-profit or charitable organization registered in Canada and working in Saskatchewan, or;
- Be an organization, union, group, coalition, institution or private sector enterprise;
- Be a SK based academic entity or research center affiliated with a recognized Saskatchewan College, University or School District;
- Accept in writing and adherence to SCIC's Mission Statement and Bylaws (on-line);
- Accept SCIC's Development Principles as integral in guiding the work of their organization (by filling out the Agency Self-Assessment for Implementation of SCIC's Development Principles);
- Comply with the SCIC Code of Ethics and the Istanbul Principles;
- Federally or provincially incorporated as a non-profit, non-governmental organization for a period of at least one year; or
- Engage in sustainable development work in Canada and/or around the world in the context of universality and reciprocity;
- Comply with the SCIC Policy on Multiple Memberships;
- Have an identifiable provincial or local constituency of supporters and a program of activities geared to its local members;
- Have as one of its major activities direct involvement in non-proselytizing international development projects and/ or international development education in Saskatchewan;
- Are involved in international or community development and/or global justice education programming with members, supporters, or the general public in Saskatchewan;
- Agree to provide at least one local Saskatchewan representative to participate in the governance and programs / activities of the Council;
- Engage in non-proselytizing international or community development and/or global justice education programming with members, supporters, or the general public in Saskatchewan;

Further, the applicant must also:

- Pay an annual membership fee;
- Comply with the SCIC Policy on Multiple Memberships (below);
- Send us your logo (if applicable).

Financial Participation in SCIC

Membership Fees:

Annual membership fees are paid by all organizations, based on their annual gross revenue

- \$100 for organizations with an annual gross revenue of \$50,001 and above
- \$50 for organizations that have an annual gross revenue of \$50,000 or less

Application Process

SCIC's application process is as follows:

1. Prospective members will read the Membership Application Guide.
2. Prospective members will complete and submit an electronic copy of the Membership Application Form and any supporting documents (including the Agency Self-Assessment for Implementation of SCIC's Development Principles).
3. Upon receipt of the application, applications will be reviewed by SCIC.
4. The application will be approved and ratified by the SCIC Board of Directors.
5. SCIC staff will notify the applicant of the decision.
6. A membership package will be mailed to the applicant, which will include information about SCIC as well as a fee invoice.
7. Upon approval by the Board, a resolution shall be forwarded to the subsequent Annual General Meeting recommending that the applicant be accepted as an organizational member.

Background Information and Supporting Documents

This package contains the following items:

1. SCIC's Organizational Member Application Form (attached)
2. SCIC's Development Principles (below)
3. Agency Self-Assessment for Implementation of SCIC's Development Principles (attached)

Additionally, the following documents can be found on-line:

1. SCIC's [Bylaws](#)
SCIC's latest [Annual Report](#)

An online version of the Non Profit Corporations Act 1995 may be viewed at <http://www.qp.gov.sk.ca/documents/English/Statutes/Statutes/N4-2.pdf>

Contact Us

For any further questions about membership, SCIC can be reached at:

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Supporting Documents

SCIC's Development Principles

(Updated in 2014)

The Saskatchewan Council for International Co-operation (SCIC) and its Member Organizations are committed to the following development principles:

1. Development fosters and promotes the full realization of human rights and fundamental freedoms and moves beyond the provision of basic needs to self-determination, dignity, decent work, equity and justice.
2. Development addresses the root causes of global inequality - not merely the symptoms - and promotes social justice through equitable distribution of power, wealth and access to resources.
3. Development ensures gender equality and equity by enabling women to participate as fully empowered actors through access to education, resources, and participation in decision making and the democratic political process.
4. Development ensures equitable participation of Indigenous cultures by promoting the right to self-determination, as well as economic, social and cultural development in accordance with the unique needs and interests of Indigenous peoples. Development strengthens Indigenous institutions, cultures and traditions.
5. Development promotes environmental sustainability and includes urgent responses to climate crisis with a focus on justice for present and future generations.
6. Development promotes peaceful solutions to conflict and commits to people's right to live with freedom, security and peace.
7. Development promotes strategic, equitable and sustainable partnerships based on mutual trust, respect, equal participation and solidarity. Development ensures respect for the diversity and plurality of views of all stakeholders.
8. Development supports the empowerment and democratic participation of people regarding the policies and development initiatives that affect their lives, with an emphasis on improving the lives of the most vulnerable.
9. Development commits to mutual learning through the creation and sharing of knowledge, especially the wisdom of local and Indigenous communities.
10. Development incorporates transparency and reflection in its operations through consultation, monitoring, evaluation and accountability to beneficiaries, partners, donors and governments.

SCIC's Policy on Multiple Memberships in SCIC

RATIONALE: This policy will ensure that organizations seeking SCIC membership have a clear and distinct mandate and leadership from existing SCIC member organizations. As a criteria for membership, this will ensure that every SCIC member is able to meet the requirements of SCIC membership including, but not exclusive to, representation at the Annual General Meeting, and

ensure equitable access to SCIC funding opportunities.

RESPONSIBILITY: SCIC reviews membership applications, and has the authority to determine on a case by case basis their approval or rejection. In order to be accepted as a member of SCIC, organizations must have clear and distinct mandates and distinct sets of activities from each other, and should not share:

1. more than 50% of the same members of the Board of Directors, or
2. the same board chairperson, or
3. the same Executive Director or Chief Executive Officer