



# WORLD ASSOCIATION OF NGOS

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION: ORGANIZATION

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WANGO is a non-profit membership organization operating in over 120 countries. While NGOs (any non-profit organization not established by a government entity or intergovernmental agreement) constitute the main membership of WANGO, affiliate memberships are available for commercial entities, governmental bodies, and interested individuals.

Membership in WANGO includes a subscription to the WANGO newsletter *Beyond Boundaries* and the WANGO E-News, access to the private WANGO NGO membership list and worldwide NGO directory, discounted registration for the annual conference, a free web page, and voting privileges. WANGO offers a unique forum for networking among leaders of diverse NGOs and affiliated organizations, and access to global information and resources that can aid them in accomplishing their missions.

## ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

12-month Membership  Renewal (complete financial section and update information)  New Application

Name of Organization (Please type or print clearly in black ink)

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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State or Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Mission Statement \_\_\_\_\_

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Types of Programs & Activities \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Programs Per Year \_\_\_\_\_ Level of activity  Local  National  International

Registered in which countries? \_\_\_\_\_ Year Founded \_\_\_\_\_

Is this a membership organization?  No  Yes If yes, Type of Members  Individuals  Organizations  Both

If yes, approximate number of members? \_\_\_\_\_ Organization Web Site \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person  Male  Female

Mr. Ms. Dr. \_\_\_\_\_  
First (Given Name) \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last (Surname) \_\_\_\_\_

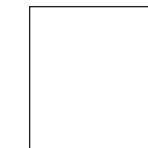
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An international membership organization uniting NGOs worldwide for peace and global well-being.



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# The World Association of Non-Governmental Organizations

## Diverse, Global Network

WANGO is one of the world's preeminent membership organizations for NGOs, with members in over 120 countries. The Association's membership encompasses the vast spectrum of the NGO world, ranging from small non-profits focused on their local communities to major, international organizations with global agendas, from the least developed nations to the richest countries.



While NGOs constitute the main membership and focus of WANGO, Affiliate Memberships are available for governmental bodies, commercial entities and interested individuals. WANGO members include relief organizations, human rights monitors, educational institutes, advocacy groups, environmental organizations, professional societies, health non-profits, business and trade associations, youth and family advocates, and women's societies. They also include drug and AIDS prevention programs, conflict prevention specialists, national and regional NGO networks, churches, private colleges and public universities, governmental bodies, and academicians, as well as numerous other organizations and individuals working to improve our communities, societies, nations and the world.

## WANGO's Mission

The Association's mission is to serve its member organizations and to provide the mechanism and support needed for NGOs to connect, partner, share, inspire and multiply their contributions to solve humanity's basic problems.

private Association membership list, produces and disseminates educational and training materials, maintains a state-of-the-art website, produces updates on the work of NGOs, and plays a valued role in advising governments and intergovernmental bodies. It has gained international renown through its groundbreaking conferences and the prestigious WANGO Awards, which are presented annually to leading NGOs and individuals.

With its global network of NGOs, as well as affiliates drawn from the ranks of governmental and intergovernmental bodies, businesses and universities, WANGO has become an international leader in tackling issues of serious global concern. Since 2000, WANGO conducted or co-sponsored conferences and seminars in over 150 nations, as well as 9 major, international conferences. The conference *Millennium Declaration of the United Nations: A Response from Civil Society*, held in October of 2000, gathered more than 500 representatives from a wide range of NGOs and more than 100 nations. In 2001, WANGO co-sponsored *Dialogue and Harmony Among Civilizations*, which drew attendees from 138 nations, and *Serving the Nation, Serving the World*, which drew representatives of 108 nations.

In response to the horrendous events of September 11, 2001, the Association co-sponsored

in October 2001 a hastily arranged conference in New York City titled *Global Violence: Crisis and Hope*. Held at a time when many were hesitant to travel anywhere, much less to New York City near the rising smoke at Ground Zero, over 380 political and religious leaders, NGO and media representatives, scholars and peace activists gathered from 101 nations. In October 2002, over 350 prominent leaders from 74 nations converged in Washington, D.C. for the WANGO Annual Conference to discuss the theme of *Culture of Responsibility and the Role of NGOs*. Among other programs sponsored or co-sponsored by WANGO were the *International Symposium on the United States and the United Nations* (Washington, D.C.), *The United Nations, East Asia and World Peace in the Age of Global Governance* (Bangkok, Thailand), and *Sustainable Development and Spirituality* (Johannesburg, South Africa).

## Partnership Beyond Boundaries

Concerned with universal values shared across barriers of politics, culture, religion, race and ethnicity, WANGO enables NGOs to work in partnership across those boundaries, essentially weaving a selfless social fabric essential to establishing a worldwide culture of peace. The Association offers an international forum for networking among diverse NGOs, as well as affiliated organizations and leading authorities. By optimizing resources and sharing vital information, WANGO provides a means for NGOs to become more effective in accomplishing their vital tasks.

## Activities

WANGO conducts an annual conference, publishes a worldwide NGO directory and pri-

## NGO?

A non-governmental organization (NGO) is considered to be any not-for-profit organization that is not established by a governmental entity or intergovernmental agreement and which is organized on a local, national, sub-regional, regional, or international level.

## Benefits of Membership

Among the privileges and benefits of WANGO membership are the following:

**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS AND ASSOCIATION MEETINGS.** WANGO is unique in regularly bringing together a prestigious, international leadership of NGOs representing diverse nations, perspectives, and realms of activity, and who are integrally involved in creating a better society and world.

WANGO's flagship event is the WANGO Annual Conference. WANGO members and other NGO leaders gather from throughout the world for this event, which provides a unique crossroads for representatives of civil society to meet, share innovative ideas and practices, attend training workshops, and build strategic partnerships that can help NGOs better fulfill their missions. Special interactive sessions with government officials from numerous nations also allows discourse on finding common ground for these two sectors, the non-governmental and governmental, to develop a new compact of working together to

NGOs and their diverse activities. All Organization Members have free access to the private WANGO membership list and NGO worldwide directory.

## Organization Membership

**REGULAR** Regular Organization Membership is available to NGOs. Regular members receive all membership benefits, including the right to vote and hold office.

**SENIOR** Senior Organization Membership is the highest membership class to which an organization can apply for membership. Senior Organization Membership can be awarded only to an NGO which either has chapters or full-time offices in four or more nations, or which has more than 10,000 individual members, or which is an association representing at least 100 institutions or organizations, or which is a university or college. Senior members receive all membership benefits and have two voting representatives.

**AFFILIATE** Affiliate Organization Membership is available to organizations other than NGOs, such as governmental and inter-governmental bodies and businesses, which are engaged in functions consistent with the purposes of the Association. Affiliate members receive all membership benefits except the right to vote or hold office.

world peace and global well-being. These are presented not only to large, well-known NGOs, but also to smaller NGOs in less developed regions, whose valuable work may have slipped wider visibility. Awards are presented in

such categories as Peace and Security, Human Rights, Environment, Family and Peace, Inter-religious Cooperation, and Education. Awardees come from all regions of the world. Among those NGOs who have been honored with WANGO Awards are the Arias Foundation for Peace and Human Progress, the Inuit Circumpolar Conference (Canada), and the Bahrain Women's Society.

Prof. Dr. Federico Mayor, former Secretary General of UNESCO, was a recipient of the Universal Peace Award, WANGO's highest award to individuals.

**NETWORKING.** WANGO provides a unique forum for networking among key leaders of diverse and influential NGOs, as well leaders of affiliated intergovernmental and governmental organizations, universities and businesses. In addition, members in various nations and regions develop their own national and regional WANGO chapters, which can focus on issues of specific interest to the membership in those areas.

## Individual Membership

**ASSOCIATE** Individual Membership is available to persons whose interests and/or activities are consistent with the purposes of the organization. These receive all membership benefits except free access to the NGO membership list and the right to vote and hold office.

**FELLOW** The class of Fellow recognizes unusual distinction and is conferred only by invitation of the International Council upon a person with an excellent record of accomplishments in areas of relevance to the Association. WANGO Fellows have the right to participate fully in the Association's meetings and activities, including the right to vote and hold elective office.

There are also categories of honorary membership for organizations and individuals, which are conferred by resolutions of the Association.

**VOTING, HOLDING OFFICE AND GUIDING THE WORK OF WANGO.** Members can provide a vital role in guiding the work of WANGO through voting and holding office in the Association. Regular and Senior Organization Members have the right to vote for officers of the organization and to hold office, with Senior Organization Members having two voting representatives. All members have the right to propose and vote for Declarations to guide the work of the International Council and to advance the goals of the organization.

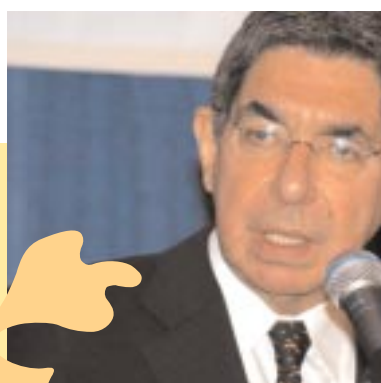
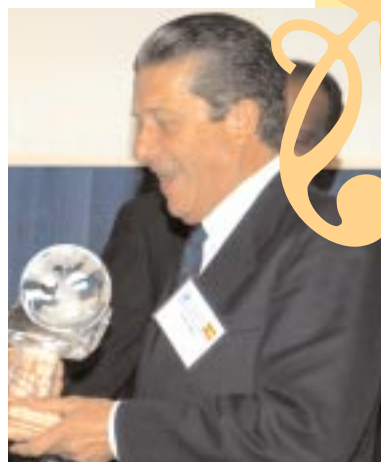
**WEBSITE.** WANGO's state-of-the-art web site provides an invaluable service to its membership, enhancing networking, sharing resources, and offering access to publications, upcoming meeting information, NGO lists, and training and fundraising tools, among other services.

WANGO provides members their own web page. For small organizations who lack their own web site, this offers greater exposure for their organizations and its activities.

**STRONG ADVISORY ROLE.** WANGO plays a key role in advising governments, inter-governmental organizations such as the United Nations, and regional bodies. The proceedings of WANGO conferences and symposia are distributed to world leaders and the heads of international and intergovernmental organizations, and WANGO plays a direct role in providing counsel and partnering with such leadership.

**UNIFIED AND STRONG VOICE.** WANGO helps NGOs worldwide to offer a strong, unified voice in advancing conflict resolution and moral solutions to pressing global, national, and social problems.

**HELPING NGOS ACCOMPLISH THEIR TASKS.** WANGO assists NGOs by providing support and access to information and resources that can aid them in accomplishing their own missions relative to creating a better society and world: economically, socially, environmentally, politically, and morally.



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- Ageing
- Agriculture and Food
- Business & Economic Policy
- Children & Youth
- Communications & Media
- Conflict Resolution
- Development
- Education
- Environment

## AREAS OF ACTIVITY (check all that apply)

- Family
- Human Rights
- Health & Nutrition
- Indigenous People
- International Organization
- Labor
- Law & Legal Affairs
- Narcotics, Drugs & Crime
- Peace and Security
- Population/ Human Settlements
- Refugees
- Relief Services
- Religion, Belief & Ethics
- Science and Technology
- Social and Cultural Development
- Sports & Recreation
- Trade & International Finance
- Women's Status & Issues
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES (select one)

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For Individual membership, please use the *Individual Membership Application Form*.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES (dues are based on organization's annual budget)

Annual Budget	Annual Fee
Up to U.S. \$100,000	\$30 <input type="checkbox"/>
U.S. \$100,000 - U.S. \$500,000	\$50 <input type="checkbox"/>
Over U.S. \$500,000	\$75 <input type="checkbox"/>

## ENDOWMENT FUNDS

WANGO Endowment Funds advance Association initiatives and assist small NGOs in less developed countries. WANGO is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. All donations are tax deductible in the U.S.

- Scholarship Fund** This fund is to support attendance of small NGOs from the least developed countries to attend the WANGO Annual Conference.
- Founders International Fund** This endowment is used to provide grants in support of activities of small NGOs.
- Awards Fund** This fund is used to support the WANGO Awards Program, which honors excellence among NGOs in several categories.

## PAYMENT

Payments can be made by credit card, check, money order or Western Union. Checks and money orders should be made payable to WANGO and must be in U.S. dollars and drawn upon a U.S. financial institute. (If Western Union is used, please contact WANGO for specific directions prior to sending funds.)

_____ Membership dues	<input type="checkbox"/> Check Enclosed	Name (of card holder) _____
_____ Donations to Endowment Funds	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Union	Card # _____
_____ Total Payment	<input type="checkbox"/> Cash Enclosed	Expiration date _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Visa	Signature (of card holder) _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Master Card	Telephone # (of card holder) _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> American Express	

*I am an authorized representative of this organization and I affirm that all information submitted on this form is accurate.*

\_\_\_\_\_ print name

\_\_\_\_\_ signature

\_\_\_\_\_ date

Note: Membership is activated only when membership dues are received and application is approved by the Secretary General.