

# NETWORK MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

Membership to the Network is open to all National and International Organisations, Institutions, Community Based Organisations (CBOs) and Individuals (professional and non-professional) who subscribe to the vision, mission, values, principles and the code of conduct of the Network, support and participate in the programmes of the Network.

## 1. CRITERIA FOR APPLICATION

The criteria for application for the different categories are as follows:

### a) Organisations/ Institutions/Companies:

An organisation shall qualify to become a member of the Network if it fulfils the following:

- i) Shares the Network vision and organisational values
- ii) Is a registered organisation
- iii) Is non - political and non - partisan
- iv) Has among its objectives human settlements related issues or has an interest in these issues
- v) Is willing to share information on its objectives, activities and programmes with the Network and make meaningful contributions to the Network programmes when called upon.
- vi) Is able to pay membership fees to the Network
- vii) Can commit time in the fulfilment of its objectives to an activity related to human settlement issues or partner with the Network in one way or another in regard to that activity.

### b) Individuals

Individuals shall qualify to become members of the Network if:

- i) They show interest in human settlement issues
- ii) Are willing to pay membership fees
- iii) They possess some basic understanding on housing issues in Uganda
- iv) They can commit some time to the activities of the Network whenever called upon

## 2. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

- i) Completed Membership Application Form
- ii) Payment of Membership and Annual Subscription fees
- iii) Approval by the Network Membership Sub-committee upon application

## 3. BENEFITS OF MEMBERS OF THE NETWORK

Members of the Network will be entitled to the following benefits according to their categories:

### a) Students Category:

- i) Access to information with particular emphasis on human settlements
- ii) Participation in Research/Baseline studies
- iii) Participation in workshops

- iv) Volunteer/ internship placement opportunities
- v) Participation in relevant Trainings organized by the Network

**b) Individuals Category:**

- i) Participation in research studies commissioned by the network
- ii) Participation in relevant workshops at national, regional and international levels
- iii) Training opportunities
- iv) Access to information with particular emphasis on human settlements.

**c) Institutions/Organisations/ Companies:**

- i) Partnership and collaboration in activity implementation
- ii) Participation in Research activities
- iii) Participation in relevant workshops (national, regional & international) and sector events
- iv) Training opportunities
- v) Access to information on human settlements
- vi) Publicity for best practices
- vii) Linkages to relevant potential partners/collaborators

**4. DISSOLUTION OF MEMBERSHIP**

- i) When the subscription of any member is in arrears for two consecutive years, such membership shall cease but without prejudice or liability to the Network.
- ii) Membership may be restored to the Network upon a new application for membership and payment of subscription arrears due to the Network.
- iii) A member shall not cease being a member of the Network without having been given three months' notice in writing of such intention by the General Secretary of the Network.

**5. RIGHTS OF MEMBERS**

Members of the Network shall have the right to:

- i) Freely participate in all the programmes of the Network.
- ii) Vote and to be voted into any of the elected offices of the Network.
- iii) Freedom of expression within the Network programmes.
- iv) Appeal to the Disciplinary and Membership Committee.
- v) Attend the Annual General Assembly of the Network.
- vi) Submit projects/initiatives to the Board for improvement of the Network.

## 6. MEMBERSHIP AND ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEES

No	Category	Membership (Ush.)	Annual Subscription (Ush.)	Total
1.	Individual (Student)	15,000	15,000	30,000
2.	Community Based Organisation	52,500	52,500	105,000
3.	Individual (Professional)	100,000	100,000	200,000
4.	National NGOs	225,000	225,000	450,000
5.	Corporate Membership	200,000	200,000	400,000
6.	International NGOs	200,000	200,000	400,000