



# Global Compact Network Australia

## **UNGC Network Australia Membership & Fees**

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### **Global Compact Local Networks**

Local Networks in over 80 countries perform increasingly important roles in rooting the UN Global Compact within different national and cultural contexts. As self-governed multi-stakeholder bodies led by business, they support companies in their efforts in implementing the Global Compact (both local firms and subsidiaries of foreign corporations), while also creating opportunities for further engagement and collective action. They also play a key role in facilitating participants' Communications on Progress and safeguarding the overall integrity and brand of the Global Compact. For more information on local engagement opportunities, visit the Global Compact website.

There are 2 key steps to becoming a member to the UN Global Compact Network Australia (UNGCNA)

### **Step 1: becoming a signatory to the UN Global Compact**

Visit the UN Global Compact website for details and online registration: [www.unglobalcompact.org](http://www.unglobalcompact.org). Participating companies are asked, upon endorsement, to make a voluntary financial contribution to the UN Global Compact Foundation in New York annually, to help support the work of the UN Global Compact.

As explained on the website, companies that are subsidiaries of a parent company that has signed up to the Global Compact are automatically considered to be a global signatory.

### **Step 2: becoming a member of the UN Global Compact Network Australia**

Once you have become a signatory to the UN Global Compact you are eligible to join the UN Global Compact Network Australia (GCNA) and access membership benefits and opportunities. Membership is open to all signatories local and global. Members of the GCNA will have access to information on global and local initiatives within the UNGC, which is coordinated by the National Contact Point/Secretariat.

On February 3 2011 the Network achieved a key milestone towards self-governance and financial sustainability - transitioning to a separate legal entity, a company limited by guarantee: Global Compact Network Australia (Ltd).

By becoming a member companies can participate in the governance of GCNA- including nominating for elected positions of the Network, and voting at next AGM (to be held early in the second half of the year).

**To take up the legal status as a member of GCNA Ltd:**

An authorized representative of your organization will need to sign the [membership application form](#) with regard to the [GCNA Constitution](#) (also attached) and return to 9 Rangers Road, Neutral Bay, 2089. On receipt of your application an invoice will be issued. Membership fees follow on page four.

*Note: A one-off special offer is available to prospective members of a split payment of 6 months (half the annual fee) to take the applicant up to the end of the first financial year of the Network (June, 30 2011) with the expectation of 12 months membership payment for the following financial year's fee (2011/2012).*

On receipt of payment the applicant will become an Interim Member until the next Board meeting where the Board resolves to admit the interim member, and the applicant immediately becomes a member.

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## Membership Benefits:

Type	Benefit
<b>Communication and Resources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Monthly / Quarterly enews communication from the Network Contact Point / Secretariat on Australian initiatives coupled with any relevant information from the UNGC world stage</li> <li>- Information distribution to members-only to enhance understanding and implementation of the UNGC</li> <li>- Key local and international links including Australian Government and think tank information in addition to international links from the UNGC and its regional networks</li> <li>- Case Studies and vignettes within membership area detailing the activities of the member companies</li> <li>- Posting of and participation in research, facts and figures that might be of interest and use to members</li> </ul>
<b>Member Only Events</b>	Held during the year for members only, including private roundtable events with visiting experts, cocktail functions at which influential leaders may speak on areas relevant to the UNGC. Combining networking with information sharing.
<b>Discount for Other Events</b>	Dual level pricing for events that are conducted for the Australian Network members and open to interested others
<b>Event Information</b>	A centralised location to list all activities that will take place over the year – a local calendar. To include regional and global UNGC activities that members can become involved in
<b>Conference Discounts</b>	The Network Contact Point / Secretariat will negotiate early bird pricing / members pricing for conferences and seminars put on by other organisations or commercial conference promoters who are supporters of the Global Compact and its related initiatives.
<b>Working Groups, Mentoring and Peer Review</b>	The opportunity for members to join Network working groups to share thinking, experiences and expertise from which to develop resources, mentoring and peer review activity on areas of the UNGC principles. Such thinking might be developed into white papers / commentary documents for media release.
<b>Templates</b>	Templates and simple standard precedent documents which can be accessed in the member area only - including ways to use the UNGC logo to promote the cause and word template documents of the COP (operational / reporting emphasis)
<b>Acknowledgement Certificate</b>	Belonging to the UN Global Compact Network Australia brings another level of acknowledgement: a framed Certificate (properly produced) will be presented to all Members of the Australian Network of the Global Compact
<b>Strategic Linkages - Key UN Initiatives in Australia</b>	Including links to the Australian members / secretariat to the Principles of Responsible Investment, the Millennium Development Goals and the Principles of Responsible Management Education

## Membership Fees:

In order to sustain the UNGCNA members will be asked to contribute an annual fee on 1 July of each year to help cover the expenses associated with the role of the National Contact Point /Secretariat and to defray the resulting administration / communication costs and any associated travel expenses.

### UNGC Australian Network Fees Structure

#### 1. Basic membership fee

Category	Fee
Corporate	\$5,000 plus GST
SME (21- 200 employees)	\$1,000 plus GST
SME (0 – 20 employees)	\$500 plus GST
Education	\$1,000 plus GST
NGO	\$500 plus GST

#### 2. Founding member fee

Category	Founding Member Fee
Corporate or other	\$15000 plus GST

#### Rationale for Founding Member category:

- as supplement to Membership fee structure
- provides immediate funding base from which to grow the Network activity, benefits and value proposition to attract signatories to become members.

#### Benefits to be offered to Founding Members:

- always retain title of Founding Member, UN Global Compact Network Australia
- use of logo on Network communications for first financial year of Network (1 July 2010 – 30 June 2011)
- Membership fee waived for first financial year.