

Criteria and procedures at the Mediterranean New Chance Network



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MedNC Network Membership Criteria

Any organization that meets these **seven membership criteria** can become a member of the Network.

Structure criteria

1. Be a **moral person**, duly recognized by the authorities, and apolitical;
2. Be a **non-profit organization**;
3. Have its headquarters and a physical office in a country in the **Mediterranean region**;
4. Have been **working with youth for at least two years** at the time of applying to the MedNC network.

Criteria related to the structure project

5. Carry out an operational project(s) in favour of the **socio-professional integration of young people, school dropouts, unemployed, vulnerable** and/or far from employment; rely on dedicated premises and human resources dedicated to the project(s);
6. Publish the **quantitative results of its action** (access to employment, vocational training, formal education, etc.), either on a regular basis or after a monitoring and evaluation action;
7. Work in **partnership** with local businesses, institutions and NGOs across all sectors.

Procedure for joining the MedNC Network

Application file

Any organisation that meets the **seven membership criteria** can **initiate its membership procedure** by sending the following application file to the Network Coordination:

1. A letter of **formal request for membership** and **commitment to respect the charter and operating procedures** of the network signed by the legal representative of the organization (see APPENDIX C) and specifying the name, function and contact details of the official representative of the candidate to the Network, duly authorized by the legal representative of the organization if necessary
2. A **declaration of sponsorship** signed by at least 2 organizations already full members of the network (cf. APPENDIX D);
3. A copy of the **registered statutes** or registered public decision establishing the applicant organisation;
4. A summary document presenting the **operational project(s) conducted for young people** (target audience, operation, etc.) (cf. APPENDIX E);
5. Any other relevant communication or administrative document (e.g. last activity report).

The complete file should be sent to Adélie Breil, Coordinator of the MedNC Network, adelie.breil@iecd.org.

1. After receipt of the files and verification of compliance with the criteria, the Coordination presents only eligible applications (compliance with the membership criteria and complete application file) to the current members of the MedNC network **ahead** of a steering committee.

The coordination probes the opinion of each member on the accession of this new structure upstream of a steering committee. If the opinions are positive and favourable, then the new structure will be invited to defend its candidacy at the next steering committee.

If any doubt remains, the request will be dealt with during the steering committee, in the absence of the structure concerned.

2. If a favourable opinion, the members of the Steering Committee examine the file, give the floor to the structure that submits its application and announce their decision, which can only be:

- > a **validation** of the application;
- > a **request for additional information**.

If, during consultations, **the members are not in favour**, the members examine the application in the absence of the candidate during the steering committee and vote a decision which may be:

- > A **validation** of the application;
- > A **request for additional information**;
- > A **refusal of the application for membership**, this decision must be considered final and without appeal within one year of the decision.

3. For decision-making on applications for membership:

- > Each member of the Network is represented by his **privileged interlocutor** or, in case of unavailability, by any other member of his choice with a delegation of power (by a writing sent upstream to the coordination of the network);
- > In order to ensure the best representativeness of decisions, the **quorum** is reached when **at least 4/5th of the members** is present;
- > Decisions on applications are taken by a majority of **2/3 of those present**. The **vote** shall be kept secret.

4. The decision of the Steering Committee shall be confirmed in writing by the Coordination to the applicant organisation.

Loss of membership and representative status

This section is valid for current members.

Membership is lost by:

1. Automatically after 2 years of absence from COPIL activities and meetings;
2. The **resignation**, notified by email by the legal representative of the organization and addressed to the Coordination of the Network;
3. The **legal dissolution** of the organization, regardless of the cause;
4. The **cessation of the operational project(s)** in favor of the socio-professional integration of young people, dropping out of school, unemployed, vulnerable, and / or far from employment for 1 year and +;
5. **Decision of the Steering Committee**, final and without appeal, in case of non-compliance with the Charter and the operating principles of the Network. Before any decision of this type, the Coordination will have taken care, by any means, to invite the organization concerned (i) to provide written explanations to the Steering Committee and (ii) to participate in the Steering Committee during which this possible decision is to be debated.

The loss of membership is confirmed in writing from the Coordination to the body concerned.

The status of official representative of a member

The status of **privileged interlocutor** of a member is lost by the loss of mandate or representative function within the legal person that will provide for his replacement by notifying the Coordination by any means.

Member Benefits and Commitments



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Rights and benefits of members

The following table presents the rights and benefits of members according to whether they are in the observation phase or full members.



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- > **Benefit from networking activities**, meet peers and partners of the MedNC network in the Mediterranean region;
- > Benefit from activities adapted to the needs of each structure, expressed upstream
- > Make **each other known** and **share** development opportunities;
- > **Join a consortium** in case of response to an international call for projects



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- > **Be valued** in the presentation documents of the MedNC network
- > **Benefit from joint communications actions** on an international scale
- > **Benefit from visibility** with key partners (AFD, Drosos Foundation, European Union, UfM...)
- > **Benefit from the development actions** carried out by the Network



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- > **Participate in the Network's high-profile events** (including the Network's annual conferences)
- > **Participate in the management** of the network (Steering Committee) and in the design of annual action plans
- > **Benefit from skills building sessions** (BP exchanges, expert missions, training)
- > **Promote and transmit its own expertise** within a guide of good practices produced by the network;
- > **Invitation to high-visibility events** (supported according to possibilities)

Duties and commitments of Members

The table below shows the duties and commitments of members according to whether they are in the observation phase or full members.



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- > **Transmit annually the indicators** required by the network (see table of indicators)
- > **Promote the MedNC network** and the expertise of other members
- > **Receive partners and members** of the network in case of visit requests
- > **Communicate on the MedNC network** by any means, using the graphic charter and the communication elements of the network



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- > **Sign and implement the charter**
- > **Appoint a duly authorized privileged interlocutor** to participate in governance activities / CoPil
- > **Notify in case of participation or absence at least 30 days before** the events of the network
- > **Support the costs of participation** in network events (supported by the network according to possibilities)



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- > **Bring your expertise for free and benefit from that of others** for free;
- > **Contribute to at least 1 network working group**;
- > **Propose and prepare exchanges of good practices** (visit, training...)