



INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION
OF LIBERAL YOUTH

Proposal 1: Guidelines and Explanations for Membership Fees 2018

The calculation of the membership fees is based on the system for membership fees adopted by the meeting of the Executive Committee in May 1993 in Portoroz (Slovenia). The amount of the membership fees is confirmed annually by the General Assembly, for 2018 in Beirut, Lebanon.

The fees are based on your membership figures (how many members the organisation actually have at any time between January 1st and February 28th of 2018) and the total annual budget (in terms of income) in 2017.

Calculation Basis

Membership Fee for Full Member Organizations:

Pay per member: 0.13 EUR

And for a budget of

0 to 13,000 EUR:	65.00 EUR
13,001 to 23,000 EUR:	195.00 EUR
23,001 to 67,000 EUR:	360.00 EUR
67,001 to 135,000 EUR:	720.00 EUR
135,001 to 203,000 EUR:	1,080.00 EUR
203,001 and more EUR:	1,640.00 EUR

The total amount of membership fee for full members is established by adding the amount based on membership levels with the budget amount.

Minimum total fee for full members: 150.00 EUR

Maximum total fee for all members: 5,000.00 EUR

Membership Fee for Associate Member Organizations:

Associate Member Organizations pay 50% of the respective budget amount of the Membership Fee.

The minimum and maximum total fee amounts are also 50% of the respective amounts for full members, resulting in the amounts below:

Minimum total fee for associate members: 75.00 EUR

Maximum total fee for associate members: 2,500.00 EUR



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Membership fee for Observer Member Organizations:

All Observer Members Organizations pay a fixed fee of 50.00 EUR.

Solidarity Fund Donations:

A voluntary donation equal to 5% of the total membership fee will be asked in every invoice in order to compose the forward detailed Solidarity Fund.

Participation Fee & Travel Refunds

All member organisations will be guaranteed a number of participation spots at General Assemblies in line with the number of votes, as per the Rules of Procedure. If more spots are available, additional participants can register for 200% of the participation fee, with a maximum of 250 EUR per participant.

Any organisation not having paid its membership fees will not receive travel refunds for their participants to IFLRY events, unless otherwise agreed. **Those organisations will also be asked to pay a 200% participation fee, with a maximum of 250EUR per participant.** Any refunds or other sums of money the organisation may be entitled to will be deducted from the outstanding fees, with the oldest debts being cleared first.

Exceptions

Reduced Membership Fee applications:

- a) For organisations that believe that they cannot pay the fee, as it is determined in the system as outlined above a procedure of appeal shall be established. This procedure shall run as follows:
1. The organisation that feels entitled to a reduced fee shall send in an application to the IFLRY Secretariat. Application for reduced membership fee can be submitted for **the ongoing**, and next calendar year. The application has to reach the IFLRY **Office** no later than two weeks before the meeting of the next General Assembly.



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2. This application shall at least contain information on:
 - the annual budget of the organisation
 - the fee charged to the individual members of the organisation
 - information on state-funding, party funding, funding by private foundations, etc.
 - information on any other source of income
 - information on the financial reserves of the organisation, property, etc.
 - and any other information the organisation considers to be important to be able to judge the financial situation of the applicant.
 3. The application proposes an amount the organisation is able and willing to pay as membership fee. This amount should be a fair and reasonable contribution of the organisation to IFLRY. **This fee shall never be below a minimum fee of 50.00 EUR.**
 4. The IFLRY Bureau discusses the application and the membership fee with the applying organisation and then forwards the application to the General Assembly with a recommendation.
 5. The General Assembly shall determine the fee to be paid by the applying organisation. This fee shall never be below a minimum fee of 50.00 EUR.
 6. Any deliberate false information included in the application will render the application and any decision of the General Assembly upon it invalid and will automatically oblige the organisation concerned to pay the normal full fee.
 7. An organisation which was already granted the minimum fee and has provided the additional documents does not have to include all the information mentioned in point 2 each year, but must still make an application as outlined in point 1. This procedure is subject to change by decision of the Bureau or the General Assembly.
- c) It will be established the Solidarity Fund composed by donations from member organisations in order to help organisations with difficulties to pay the membership fee. The procedure shall run as follows:
1. The organisation that feels entitled to have its fee covered totally or partially by the Solidarity Fund shall send in an application to the IFLRY Secretariat. The application has to reach the IFLRY Secretariat no later than two weeks before the meeting of the next General Assembly and may be directed to cover a maximum debt of three years (including the following year).



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 - and any other information the organisation considers to be important to be able to judge the financial situation of the applicant.

 3. The IFLRY Bureau discusses the application and the membership fee with the applying organisation and then forwards the application to the General Assembly with a recommendation. The General Assembly shall determine if the debts shall be deducted from the Solidarity Fund or not.

 4. Any deliberate false information included in the application will render the application and any decision of the General Assembly upon it invalid and will automatically oblige the organisation concerned to pay its fees.
- d) For organisations with debts spanning a period greater than three years, payment of the last two annuities will cancel the remaining debts, except for cancellation fees or other fees due to the federation.