

Membership Application



EUROPEAN ALGAE
BIOMASS ASSOCIATION

WHAT IS THE EUROPEAN ALGAE BIOMASS ASSOCIATION?

The European Algae Biomass Association (EABA) was established in Florence on June 2009 and is the European association representing both research and industry in the field of algal technologies. Macro and microalgae biomass interested organizations and individuals are represented by EABA as the sector organization.

The general objective of EABA is to promote mutual interchange and cooperation in the field of algae biomass production transformation and use, including biofuels uses and all other utilizations. It aims at creating, developing and maintaining solidarity and links between its Members and at defending their interests at European and international level. Its main target will be to act as a catalyst for fostering synergies among scientists, industrialists and decision makers in order to promote the development of research, technology and industrial capacities in the field of algae.

The Association is technology neutral and does not aim at favoring a particular kind of production, processing or of final use of the algae biomass. This approach reflects the fact that all the algae production technologies and all the final uses of algae biomass are to be considered as interdependent. With these aims in mind, the Members of EABA will share with each other accurate nonconfidential information about the algae biomass sector (adapted from EABA STATUTES).

WHY TO BECOME A MEMBER?

EABA Membership provides a unique opportunity to participate and be a stakeholder in the sector and that includes the involvement in the following objectives:

- Representing the European algae biomass industry and scientific community at international level
- Spreading scientific information and knowledge about algae biomass and biofuels production
- Making algae research and industry alive in public debate
- Promoting investment and financial support in the field of algae
- Helping the structuring and planning of research and industrial development on algae
- Fostering scientific freedom as well as responsibility
- Establishing a permanent liaison with EU and EU Member States' Institutions
- Breaking scientific boundaries on algae
- Promoting the exchange of scientific information and the publication of sound articles
- Studying all the direct and indirect environmental, social and economic effects of algae production and use
- Taking all reasonable measures to defend the interests of its Members
- Defining and expressing a common position on EU issues acting as a technology neutral platform
- Studying economic, environmental and technical problems which may impact the algae sector

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

The Membership benefits can be summarized as follows:

1. Influence the future of the sector with specific positions and contributions;
2. Access to a unique networking at the dissemination, scientific, industrial and even commercial levels;
3. Obtain visibility through advertising promoted by EABA and endorsement as a relevant player in the algae biomass;
4. Have reduced costs in EABA activities and in events promoted by partners of co-events.

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LEVELS	MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS AND RELATED ANNUAL FEES	€
SCIENTIFIC MEMBERS	Non-profit research institutes, universities, research and academic centers active in the geographical areas defined above, with proven scientific activities, interest and/or publications in the field of algae biomass	385
INDUSTRIAL MEMBERS	Companies, pilot projects, algae-biomass technology providers, research groups and final users as the case may be, that are able to produce or contribute to produce, transform or use algae biomass in Europe – as defined above. European companies or legal entities that have already established precise plans of investment in view of producing or transforming or using algae biomass at industrial level. Industrial members can include startups and large companies according to the number of persons working directly with algae:	
	Companies employing more than 10 people	2.420
	Companies employing less than 10 people	550
INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS	Individuals (e.g. individual research fellows) with proven interest in the development of the algae biomass research and industry	275
OBSERVER MEMBERS	a) Scientific organizations from outside Europe b) Industrial organizations from outside Europe c) Other organizations, such as associations, consultancies, traders, trade associations, investors and non-profit organizations active in the field of algae biomass	1.650
SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP	Any EABA Scientific, Industrial, Individual or Observer Member can become Sponsor of the Association. Sponsor status is reserved to Members which voluntarily support an extraordinary contribution whose minimum is fixed by the Steering Board every year	6.600
NOTE	European Associations with members involved in algae biomass research/production/processing/trading are eligible to apply for EABA membership. The membership category may vary depending on the scope of activities of each association: associations with a strong focus on biomass will be classified as Industrial Members (companies employing less than 10 people) , while associations with a primary focus on knowledge generation, research, and dissemination will be classified as Scientific Members .	

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PROCEDURE FOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

1. Send an e-mail to the General Manager vitor.verdelho@eaba-association.org with the Candidate Member Application Form including a motivation letter where it is necessary to refer the level or levels of Membership requested;
2. The General Manager will submit the Membership application to the Steering Board and will explain the motivation letter and any complimentary relevant information's provided by the Working Group 'New Members';
3. Applicants will receive the approval of the request and an invoice for the payment of the relevant fees;
4. Once the payment of the fees is made that represents a formal commitment of the new Member to EABA and the Working Group 'New Members' will acknowledge and advertise the new Member inside the Association and related partners;
5. The Steering Board will communicate to the General Assembly the membership situation.

CANDIDATE MEMBER INFORMATION

Member information will be used in the EABA booklet for the purpose of networking and development of links within EABA members and other algae biomass stakeholders. The information below must be in the letterhead of the organization, signed and sent in a PDF format.

- Legal entity (include a logo if possible)
- Website (if available)
- Represented by (name, include a picture if possible)
- Position
- Email
- Telephone
- Fax
- Address
- Short description of the legal entity and field(s) of activity (include annexes and publication lists if appropriate)
- Short description of the representative with a summary of the profile.

MEMBERSHIP FEE PAYMENT

The payment of the Membership fees must be made by Bank transfer to the following account:

EABA – European Algae Biomass Association

Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena Spa
Via di Novoli 25/27. Florence. Italy

IBAN Account:

IT 17 O 01030 02818 0000633875 17

Swift Code (BIC):

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