

# AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP

Global Forum for Media Development

Be part of a globally diverse network created by and for all actors in media development to ensure proper collaboration as well as an exchange of information and experience among its members. Work with us to create strong, independent, and pluralistic media environments which contribute to the development of empowered societies.

Take this opportunity to share your voice, amplify the needs of your community, and connect with other journalism support and media development organisations, donors/funders, human rights organisations, intergovernmental organisations, governments, and other key stakeholders.

### Who can be a GFMD Affiliate Member?

Affiliate Membership in GFMD is open to journalism and media organisations, partners and grantees of GFMD general members and other organisations associated with existing GFMD members, whether general or affiliate, who have less than 250 employees and an annual turnover of less than €2 million.

# What are the benefits of being an Affiliate Member?

As an Affiliate Member, you and your organisation would be able to enjoy the benefits our network has to offer, including:

- Become part of a diverse global network of all the major actors in media development, local and regional media assistance groups, and the representatives of nascent media sectors to share resources, calls for collaboration, search for partners, and find other relevant information directly with all other GFMD members.
- Obtain representation at international fora, including the United Nations, European Union, World Bank, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR), Internet Governance Forum (IGF), and many more.
- Gain **visibility** on the <u>GFMD website</u>, social media platforms, periodic newsletters, and other general activities shared on our communication channels.
- Expand your international horizons, search for partners and create synergies by gaining access to the <u>GFMD-wide mailing list</u>, member-only activities and meetings, as well as networking events and meetups with our members, partners, and industry leaders.
- Exchange knowledge on emerging issues in media development through GFMD IMPACT the International Media Policy and Advisory Centre. This initiative brings together key media development and journalism support stakeholders to ensure more effective

(evidence-based & coordinated) and impactful (contextually tailored & oriented toward long-term, strategic goals) sector support.

- Get insights into the latest trends in funding for media development and journalism support
  in the <u>GFMD Fundraising Guide</u> a guide that provides insight into a variety of application
  models, takes you through the project design process, and helps you submit better and
  ultimately more successful funding proposals.
- Help create a healthier information space by becoming part of the <u>Journalism Trust Initiative</u> an initiative that develops and implements indicators for the trustworthiness of journalism and thus, promotes and rewards compliance with professional norms and ethics.
   GFMD members have free access to the JTI Campus an online educational centre and other benefits.
- Engage in internet policy and governance while helping to voice the concerns of the
  journalism and media development community through access to the <u>Dynamic Coalition</u>
  on the <u>Sustainability</u> of <u>Journalism and News Media (DC-Sustainability)</u>, an officially
  recognised Dynamic Coalition within the Internet Governance Forum (IGF).
- Receive "Blue Tick" verification on Twitter as part of our ongoing efforts to strengthen information ecosystems, promote the work of our members among digital platforms, and ensure the rich information our network produces can reach a wider audience.
- And so much more!

Please note that Affiliate Members do not have the right to vote in GFMD elections at the General Assembly or any matter that is put to a vote of the general membership.

# Membership fee

Affiliate members (or their funders) shall be required to pay a €50 annual administrative fee.

### Become our member

Simply visit our <u>How to Become a Member</u> page, follow the instructions, and fill out the membership form.

"Being a member of this network gives us a major opportunity to meet and exchange with colleagues, better coordinate our activities, and develop new partnerships."

- Caroline Vuillemin, Directrice Générale, Fondation Hirondelle.

Organisations seeking Affiliate Membership need a referral or recommendation from an existing GFMD member or the GFMD Secretariat. The recommendation should make specific reference

to the editorial and ethical standards that the applicant observes. Read our full Code of Practice <a href="here">here</a>.

For any additional assistance, email our Membership and Engagement Manager, Fiona Nzingo, at <a href="mailto:fnzingo@gfmd.info">fnzingo@gfmd.info</a>.