



BCF
British Coatings
Federation

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BENEFITS OF FULL MEMBERSHIP

TOP 10 BENEFITS FOR YOUR BUSINESS

Membership gives your business direct access to independent technical and regulatory expertise whenever you need it. BCF's Regulatory Affairs team provides specialist guidance across key compliance areas, helping you stay ahead of legislative and policy changes.

With around 50 technical committees, policy groups and industry forums, membership enables colleagues across your business to connect with peers, share best practice, build expertise and help shape future standards and regulations. From printing inks and wallcoverings to decorative and industrial coatings, BCF brings the whole industry together.

Membership gives your business a direct route to greater visibility across the coatings supply chain. Through the BCF the industry comes together to share knowledge, tackle challenges and create opportunities. We will help you showcase your expertise, strengthen your credibility and build relationships with other manufacturers, suppliers, customers and key industry contacts.

BCF members have access to a wide range of marketing and profile-raising opportunities, from publishing news, press releases and thought leadership on our website to advertising in our mag-azine, newsletters, annual handbook and membership directory. You can also increase your visi-bility by hosting and sponsoring meetings, entering awards, speaking at conferences, delivering webinars and attending BCF events throughout the year.

Membership gives your business the backing of a trusted industry voice that promotes the value of coatings and responds to issues such as PFAS, microplastics and environmental claims. Through industry campaigns such as PaintSafe and proactive media engagement, the BCF helps raise awareness of the sector and communicate key messages to stakeholders.

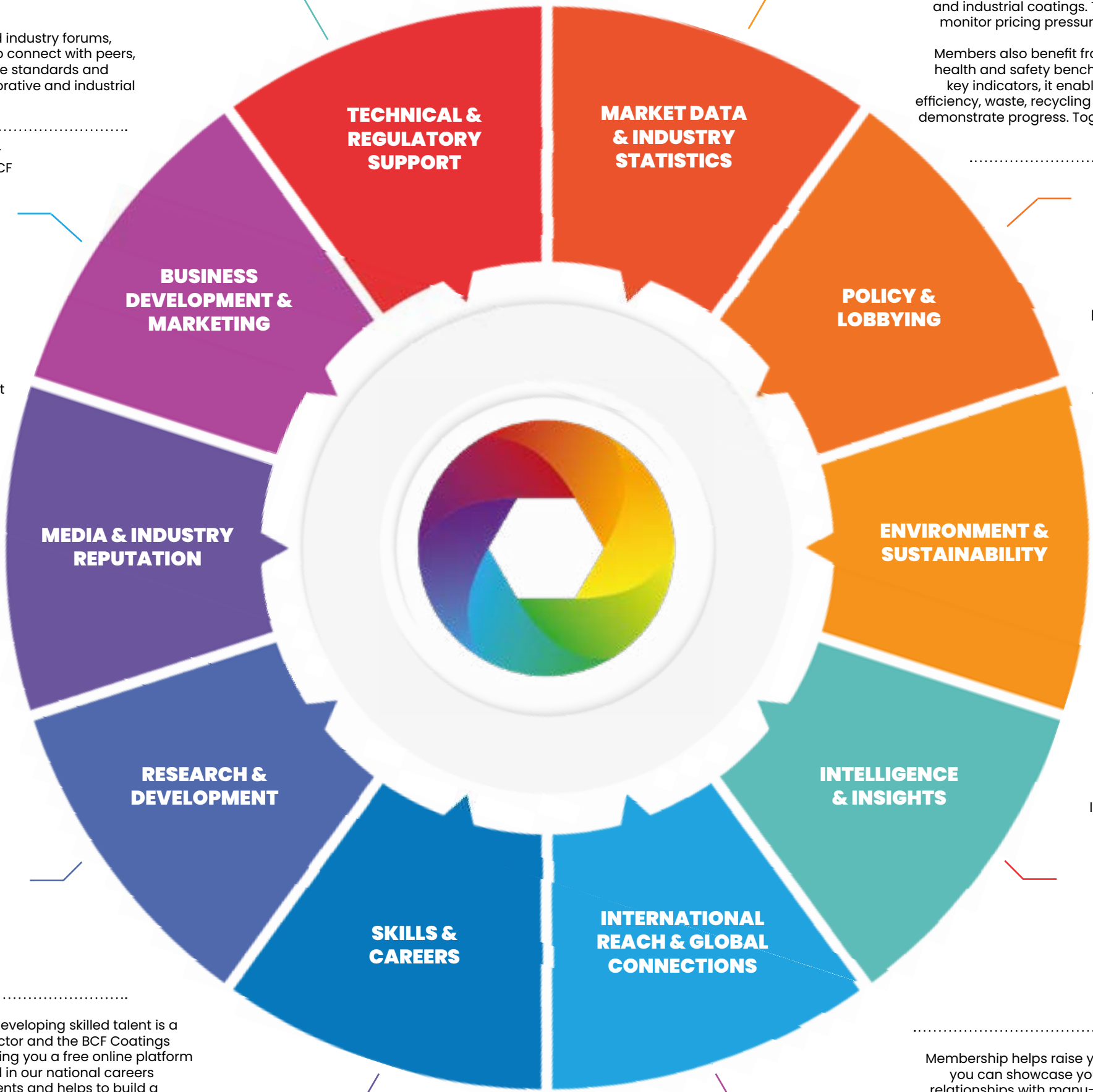
Members also benefit from support with media enquiries and communications challenges, helping protect their reputation while allowing teams to stay focused on running the business.

Membership allows your business to be part of industry-wide solutions to the challenges that matter most. By joining the BCF you will help fund a range of research and development projects that benefit the entire sector. These include skills and careers programmes, consumer focused content on green claims and 'eco paints', and research into printing ink recyclability and fire safe-ty.

One example is PaintCare, a pioneering new programme from the BCF which brings together gov-ernment, the waste industry, paint manufacturers and retailers to solve the problem of leftover paint. Your investment in membership enables us to tackle challenges that no individual business could solve alone, and your business will benefit from our shared commitment to a culture of con-tinuous improvement.

Membership will also benefit your HR team. Finding and developing skilled talent is a growing challenge for businesses across the coatings sector and the BCF Coatings Careers Hub helps re-duce your recruitment costs by giving you a free online platform to promote your job vacancies. You can also get involved in our national careers programme which promotes the coatings sector to students and helps to build a pipeline of young people entering the sector.

The BCF has also created the Coatings Training Institute, a distance learning platform that pro-vides a large number of technical training modules at significantly reduced rates, saving you time and money on high quality industry led training.



Membership provides your business with valuable market intelligence to support better commercial decisions. BCF members receive monthly statistics covering raw material prices, sales volumes and selling prices across decorative paints, woodcare and industrial coatings. This exclusive insight helps you understand market trends, monitor pricing pressures and benchmark performance against the wider sector.

Members also benefit from access to Coatings Care, the industry's environmental, health and safety benchmarking programme. Measuring performance against 45 key indicators, it enables businesses to compare results in areas such as energy efficiency, waste, recycling and workplace safety, helping identify improvements and demonstrate progress. Together, these services provide the data needed to improve efficiency, plan with confidence and stay competitive.

Membership gives your business a stronger voice with government and regulators. Through the BCF, members are represented on key policy issues including UK REACH, biocides, CLP and Ex-tended Producer Responsibility, helping ensure regulation remains practical, proportionate and supportive of industry growth.

We champion the coatings sector with policymakers, promoting its value to the UK economy through initiatives such as the Essential Coatings campaign. Members also benefit from support with public affairs activity, including engagement with local MPs when needed.

Membership helps your business meet growing sustainability expectations from customers, shareholders and regulators. Through sustainability-focused events, committees and resources, members gain practical insights, expert support and opportunities to collaborate with peers on key environmental challenges, including developing net zero strategies.

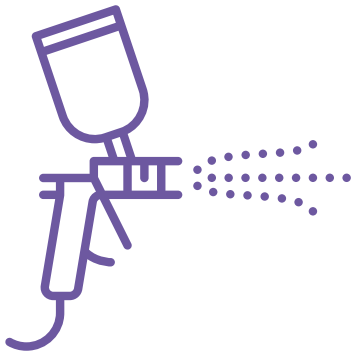
For wallcovering manufacturers: The Wallcoverings Climate Change Agreement helps reduce en-ergy costs through Climate Change Levy discounts linked to energy efficiency targets. The BCF administers the scheme and members benefit from lower administration fees.

Membership is your gateway to a range of political insights, economic intelligence and legal up-dates that can help your business anticipate change and make better strategic decisions. Through our collaboration with leading business groups, trade associations and advisory firms, including the CBI, Make UK, Orr and Boss, Markel Law and the Construction Products Association, you will benefit from access to a broad selection of high quality resources, including thought leadership content, legal advice and economic forecasts.

This wider intelligence network will keep you informed about issues impacting the UK economy and manufacturing sector, enabling you to manage risk and plan ahead. Through your single membership of the BCF you can gain the value of multiple memberships and subscriptions with-out any additional cost.

Membership helps raise your profile across the coatings supply chain. Through BCF, you can showcase your expertise, strengthen your credibility and build valuable relationships with manu-facturers, suppliers, customers and industry stakeholders.

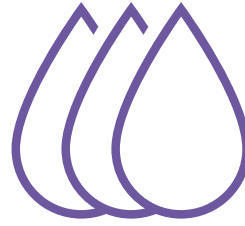
Members benefit from a wide range of promotional opportunities, including website content, ad-vertising, awards, speaking engagements, webinars, event sponsorship and hosting opportunities, helping you increase visibility and demonstrate thought leadership across the industry.



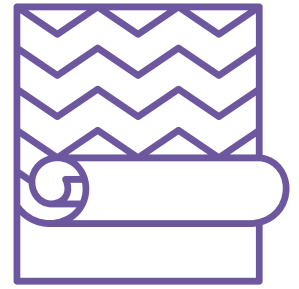
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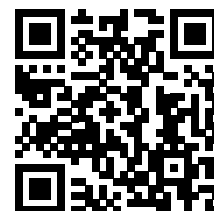
**WALL
COVERINGS**

The British Coatings Federation (BCF) is the voice and collective heartbeat of a £4 billion UK industry. We represent over 250 businesses from global manufacturers to specialist suppliers, producing essential products for a vast array of applications in markets around the world.

By joining the BCF, you become part of the UK's largest collaboration community of coatings businesses: an influential international network of leaders committed to sharing technical excellence, shaping best practice and solving shared challenges.

Our mission is to help you navigate change, build resilience, and thrive in a rapidly changing world. Membership gives you a stronger voice in Westminster, a sustainability partner on the journey to Net Zero, exclusive market intelligence, and direct access to a team of specialists who can help you adapt to new legislation and avoid costly surprises. Our comprehensive events programme creates opportunities for shared learning while our global perspective enables you to monitor risks on the horizon.

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