

European Physical Society Associate Members and Sponsors Charter

The EPS

The European Physical Society (EPS) was founded in 1968 to promote the advancement of physics in Europe. The EPS provides a forum for discussion on subjects of common interest in the physics community and organises a vast program of activities to communicate the importance of physics in research, industry and education.

Through 42 Member Societies, more than 130'000 physicists support the EPS in achieving these goals. Many other institutions, organisations, and industries contribute to the advancement of physics, and may wish to subscribe to the same goals. Such organisations are invited to become **Associate Members of the EPS**.

EPS Associate Members

The EPS recognises the importance of its Associate Members, and is actively campaigning to increase their number and their participation in EPS activities. Associate Members are represented in the EPS Executive Committee and in the EPS Council, and are encouraged to provide input into the strategy and policy development of the EPS. **All EPS Associate Members are encouraged to become actively involved in EPS publications, action committees, and Divisions and Groups.**

At present, the Society has approximately 40 Associate Members, principally major research institutions. The complete list is published on the EPS website www.eps.org, and is also published annually in the Society's bi-monthly news magazine *Europhysics News*.

Information and International Cooperation

The EPS informs its members regularly on policies, programmes and actions of European Union, and of other international programmes in science and technology of interest to the physics community. The EPS also participates in many European projects which are of potential interest to its Associate Members.

Benefits and Privileges of Associate Members

EPS Associate Membership is an exclusive opportunity to showcase Associate Members' vision, strategies and practices for sustainable development. Associate Members benefit from the unique EPS platform to build partnerships with key stakeholders, industry insiders and leading decision makers in physics, technology, culture and education. With its new Associate Member policy, the EPS preserves the possibility of joining our Society as regular Associate Member, but two new schemes are proposed to attract more ambitious supporter profiles. EPS Associate Members can now directly support prestigious actions during leading conferences, welcoming the broadest audiences in Europe and the world's largest trade fairs in many technologies. Specific actions are planned to highlight the international leadership of EPS Associate Members through funding and presenting international awards to the most distinguished scientists.



EPS Associate Members will be provided with customised packages of benefits, highlighted prominently through a variety of EPS communication channels (award ceremonies, conferences, publications, Web announcements etc.), and publicly acknowledged for their important commitment to the values and the mission of the EPS. To enjoy these benefits, the EPS offers three levels of Associate Membership and Sponsorship:

- **The EPS Prestige Sponsorship**
- **The EPS Sponsorship for Societal Challenges**
- **The EPS Supporter Associate Membership**

The EPS Prestige Sponsorship aims at funding the most prestigious prizes of the Society which are often awarded to potential Nobel Laureates. It is reserved exclusively for major partners and tailored to their individual objectives and strategies.

Package is fixed at a minimum of €5,000 for a given EPS award.

For €15,000, an EPS Associate Member can become the exclusive sponsor of a senior prize of an EPS Division or Group, with the name of the Society associated to the award.

Prestige Sponsors receive the following benefits:

- **Exclusive invitation** to the Award Ceremony
- **Present the prizes** to the awardees together with the highest level scientific personalities in Europe
- **Participate** in the organisation of the Award ceremony and/or **opt for** a special ceremony at the Sponsor's headquarters
- **Distinction** as an EPS Prestige Sponsor with **high-level visibility** (Websites, EPS conferences, promotional material, visibility at the EPS Representation in Brussels, etc.)
- **Reports in EPN, e-EPS and other media** through press releases
- **Photo opportunities and introductions** to key members of our international network
- **Continuous exposure** of logos and banners, informational displays, event programs etc. bringing attention and **promoting your ties** with EPS and other major partners
- Prime seating, guaranteed participation and advance reservation for all **EPS public events**
- Prestige Sponsors become **EPS Associate Members** with all rights and privileges (see “Benefits for all EPS Associate Members” below)

The Sponsor commits to support the prize for at least three consecutive awards. Applications for Prestige Sponsorship will first be examined for endorsement by the Divisions and Groups responsible for the award of the prize. The prize winners will be selected exclusively by the Board of the relevant EPS Divisions and Groups, solely based on criteria of scientific excellence.



The EPS Sponsorship for Societal Challenges aims at supporting “Physics and Society” projects of the EPS. Associate Members who wish to be sponsors in this category will be recognised as supporting the activities and major prizes awarded by the EPS Physics for Development Group, Physics Education Division, the Young Minds Initiative, the Equal Opportunity Committee, as well as dedicated initiatives led by the scientific Divisions and Groups of the EPS.

The minimum contribution is €2,500 per year.

Half of this amount will be dedicated to the “EPS Special Activity Fund” or support for “EPS Societal Prizes”. The Special Activity Fund supports activities in the fields of physics for development, the next generation of researchers, educational challenges, entrepreneurial activities, etc.

Societal Challenges Sponsors receive the following benefits:

- **Exclusive invitation** to an Award Ceremony
- **Present the prizes** to the awardees together with the EPS representatives
- **High-level visibility** (websites, EPS conferences, promotional material, visibility at the EPS Representation in Brussels etc.)
- **Reports in EPN, e-EPS and other media** through professional press releases
- **Photo opportunities and introductions** to key members of our international network
- **Continuous exposure** of logos and banners, informational displays, event programs etc., **promoting the Sponsor’s ties** with EPS and other major partners
- Prime seating, guaranteed participation and advance reservation for all **public events**
- Societal Challenges Sponsors become **EPS Associate Members** with all rights and privileges (see “Benefits for all EPS Associate Members” below).

Applications to the EPS Sponsorship for Societal Challenges will first be examined for endorsement by the Committees, Divisions and Groups undertaking the societal actions proposed for support. The jury members of Awards funded from this sponsorship will be nominated exclusively by the Board members of the competent EPS Divisions and Groups.



The Supporter Associate Membership is designed for medium-size organisations such as research institutions, professional societies, universities and museums, and small to medium enterprises.

The minimum contribution is €1500 per year.

These funds will be used principally to support the organisation of European conferences (e.g., for buying promotional materials) and specific EPS events such as, for instance, international meetings between young academic researchers and industrial partners, which can take place in European capitals.

Supporter Associate members receive the following benefits:

- **Global exposure** of the supporter's commitment to EPS events through continuous online display of the Associate Member's logo
- **Links** to the Associate Member's website on the official websites of **EPS conferences**
- The opportunity to provide **promotional material** for display at these events (bags, badges, official programmes etc.)
- Use of the **label of "Associate Member"** for promotion of any event organised throughout the year
- Supporter Associate Members benefit from all rights and privileges of **EPS Associate Membership**

Benefits for all EPS Associate Members:

- **Reduced fees for staff members to become Individual members of the EPS, entitling staff members to attend EPS organised conferences at reduced rates (if available)**
- **Automatic subscription to the print version of Europhysics News (5 issues per year)**
- **Presence of logos on EPS conference homepages, bags, badges and printed programmes**
- **Free-of-charge publication of job offers** on dedicated sites (work markets) of EPS conferences
- **Attendance at the EPS General Meetings**
- **Five representatives in the EPS Council, elected jointly by all Associate Members**
- **One representative on the EPS Executive Committee, elected jointly by all Associate Members**
- **Reduced advertising rates in EPS publications (e-EPS, Europhysics News)**
- **Free online access to the "European Physical Journal H: Historical Perspectives on Contemporary Physics" and to the "European Journal of Physics".**

Associate Members will lose their status one year after the last payment of the membership fee.

