

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION TO ecl South Africa

Introduction

ecl South Africa realises having active members is crucial to implementing our plans successfully. The selection of members is informed by our purpose and goals, our constitution, our action plans, and the role and tasks of members. **ecl** South Africa recognises the diversity inherent in our South African system.

Therefore, the more different types of people we have in our organisation, the more representative it is of our target community. This in turn ensures greater community support for our organisation. Moreover, members bring skills and experience that they can use to benefit the organisation, more members will increase our capacity to do more work as an organisation and add different ideas and opinions expressed and discussed and this will lead to better decisions being taken.

ecl understands our members are the base of our organisation and we do take them very seriously. Members who feel they belong and have a place in the organisation are more inclined to offer their creativity, innovation and services. In line with this we have programmes to develop members so they can engage in the work **ecl** does more fully.

Recruiting New Members.

ecl South Africa has identified the kind of people we need to further the aims of the organisation. They need to form part of the constituency we want to represent or work with. Our members need to:

- Identify with the aims and objectives of **ecl** South Africa.
- Support and want to work for children, their families and communities.
- Have skills and experience that will help our work.

Membership system.

After an initial application from a prospective member, their contact details and status of each member is recorded. Their details are kept digitally and a hard copy is stored safely on the ecl premises. Each application will be screened by the Management Board for suitability. The Membership year runs in accordance with the ecl financial year which is from the 1st of March to the 28th of February. Membership will be renewed automatically each year unless either the member or the Management Board terminate the

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membership. There is an annual administrative fee of R150.00/year to be a member. If you join during the course of the financial year, you only pay for the cost of the remaining months of that financial year. That fee is R12.50/month. Members need to adhere to the ecl Constitution.

Keeping members active

ecl South Africa is aware that people usually join an organisation because they want to do something for their community. But they also want something out of being a member. Members are usually motivated by:

- Feeling that they are valued by the organisation and contributing.
- Opportunities to learn new skills or get education about issues that interest them.
- Working on issues that will improve their lives or the lives of their families and communities.
- Feeling part of a team.
- Rewards in terms of status, personal development or access to employment opportunities.
- Have an opportunity to volunteer and offer their services and time to something worthwhile.
- Entitling you to participate in meetings and vote.

ecl South Africa will attempt to keep members motivated and involved by:

- Offering an introductory induction workshop for all new members so that they understand the organisation and its work.
- Run regular education and development sessions for all members - either as part of regular meetings or in special workshops.
- Encourage members to get involved in projects and campaigns.
- Give people responsibilities and tasks and team them up with experienced members.
- Appreciate people and praise them in meetings for work done.
- Structure meetings so that they are engaging and everyone participate.

Membership Access.

As a participating member of **ecl**, you will have access to the following:

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- ecl Creative Briefs and documents.
- ecl Tools, materials and their manuals as long as the use of these acknowledges ecl's copyright on the material.
- Trainings/Workshops at a reduced cost.
- Recorded sessions.
- A network of professionals in all spheres of education, educational development and wellbeing.

This invitation to membership is also open to the international community.

Please complete and email the application form below to info@eclfoundation.co.za. There are 6 months left of this financial year as of 1 September 2022 and you may become a member today.

APPLICATION FORM FOR ecl SOUTH AFRICAN MEMBERSHIP

I hereby apply for membership of the above-mentioned organisation	
Full Name:	
Home Address:	
Postal Address:	
Identity Number:	
Email Address	
Education	
Occupation	
My Membership Application is Motivated by:	Yes or No
Opportunities to learn new skills or get education about issues that interest me	
Work on issues that will improve my life and the lives of children and their families and communities	
To feeling part of a team and to be able to work co-creatively.	
Be rewarded in terms of personal development	
Have an opportunity to work under the banner of an “ecl Catalyst”	
Have an opportunity to volunteer and offer my services and time to something worthwhile.	
None of the above, I just want to be part of ecl South Africa	
I can offer the following skills if requested / required: Indicate with X	
Group Facilitation	Accounting
Counselling/Coaching	Funding Applications
Training	M&E
Project Design	Research
Constellations	Secretarial/Admin
Networking/Marketing	Other
IT	Other

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Name: _____