

Becoming a Member of WorldSkills Asia

(Refer to WSA By-Laws Article 7 “Criteria for Membership”)

1. What is WorldSkills Asia?

WorldSkills Asia is an international non-profit organization of Asian member countries and regions established to promote quality technical skills, vocational education, and professional excellence across Asia. It raises awareness of the importance of high-quality vocational education and training and demonstrates the value of skills by recognizing skilled professionals and supporting personal advancement, sustainable economic growth, and community development.

WorldSkills Asia operates as a **recognized regional organization within the wider WorldSkills movement**. Under the 2021 WorldSkills regional development policy, WorldSkills International recognizes and supports four major regional organizations: WorldSkills Europe, WorldSkills Americas, WorldSkills Africa, and WorldSkills Asia. Therefore, WorldSkills Asia functions as the Asian regional platform of the WorldSkills movement, while WorldSkills International remains the overarching global body responsible for guiding, supporting, regulating, and protecting the WorldSkills brand, values, intellectual property, policies, and strategic direction.

WorldSkills Asia’s mission of bringing Asian countries together to promote peace, unity, camaraderie, and cooperation supports the broader WorldSkills objective of strengthening skills development globally. Through collaboration among Asian educators, policy makers, industry partners, and other stakeholders, WorldSkills Asia provides a regional platform for exchanging insights, sharing innovations, improving technical and vocational education and training standards, and developing partnerships that contribute to skills excellence.

Focusing on the four major programme pillars of **Promoting Skills, Education and Training, International Cooperation, and Skills Competitions**, WorldSkills Asia is envisioned as the Asian hub for skills excellence and development. Its activities are regionally customized for Asia, while remaining fully aligned with the WorldSkills International mission, vision, policies, brand, and global strategy.

2. Who are the Members of WorldSkills Asia?

Members of WorldSkills Asia are countries within the Asian region represented by two delegates (Official and Technical Delegate) who are Heads or Officers responsible for promoting technical and vocational education and training in their respective region.

The Official and Technical Delegates are duly appointed at the Member’s discretion who must be selected to actively contribute in their respective roles and responsibilities for WorldSkills Asia.

3. How to Apply for Membership?

Application for membership must be done in writing signed by the applying country's official representative and to be submitted to the WSA Asia Secretariat. The application must include the following:

- a. Signed copy of the Application Forms indicating acceptance of the Constitution, the By-Laws, Code of Ethics and Conduct and WorldSkills Asia Competition Rules;
- b. Extensive information of the country/region's technical and vocational education and training system and the body's position within the system;
- c. Signed letter indicating that the applying country is recognized by the relevant national authority as the national organization for vocational education;
- d. Names and full contact details of the proposed Delegates.

4. Approval of Membership Application

The Chief Executive Officer of WorldSkills Asia shall review all documents received from the applicant body and confirm that the application is complete and that the membership criteria have been met.

Following the initial review, the Chief Executive Officer shall submit the application to the WorldSkills Asia Board of Directors. The Board of Directors will examine the documents and may arrange a meeting with a representative of the applicant body to clarify any questions concerning the application for membership.

Where required, WorldSkills Asia shall consult WSI to confirm that the applicant and the proposed admission are consistent with WSI-approved membership criteria, membership terminology, governance expectations, and the overall WorldSkills brand, values, ethics, and strategy. This WSI confirmation forms part of the compliance and quality-assurance process and does not replace the formal approval authority of WorldSkills Asia's governing bodies.

When an application is accepted by the Board of Directors, the applicant shall be informed in writing, subject to formal admission by the WorldSkills Asia General Assembly. The admission must be formally approved at the next General Assembly meeting, at which the new Member will have the opportunity to briefly present its respective country or region, its organization, and the vocational education and training system it represents.

No admission fee is required for membership. Admission by the General Assembly shall be confirmed by means of a Membership Certificate.

5. Invitation to Membership

If you are interested to become a Member of WorldSkills Asia, or you might need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact:

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Benefits of WorldSkills Asia Membership

Introduction

WorldSkills Asia promotes the ideals of quality skilled work and vocational education and training including the recognition of skilled professionals across Asian region. It provides a platform for technical and vocational experts to showcase the value of skills and raises awareness on the importance of professional excellence.

The foundation of the world we live in, with its modernity and style is Skills. It is very evident that all the things we see around us, whether at home or in the communities we belong, everything is created, crafted and built by skilled professionals. The motivating force behind any successful careers, organizations, institutions, thriving industries and economies is the skilled workers and professionals including the training structures that they represent.

The Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Heads of Asian countries and partners of WorldSkills Asia joined hands to elevate skills promotion within the members' own country and the entire Asian region.

WorldSkills Asia acknowledges the responsibility that we, as a global movement, together with all its Member organizations, partners, Executive Bodies and Secretariat must accept and carry out to be the role models to emulate for multi-cultural students and young professionals we can influence.

Membership in WorldSkills Asia offers various privileges and access to impressive events and activities, network gatherings and learning programs reflecting best practices and excellence in skills development and in honing skills talents and expertise.

Being a Member of WorldSkills Asia

WorldSkills Asia is not just a competition, but rather a movement that provides a platform for learning and sharing. This serves as the Asian Hub for skills excellence and development showcasing the value of quality skills in achieving personal advancement leading to accelerated and sustainable economic growth and stability of the community.

As a Member of WorldSkills Asia, you will be part of an international movement focusing on skills enhancement and uplifting the skills training standard within the Asian level and you will have the access to various activities and programs, support and resources, and events across WSA's four major pillars of set programs:

Promoting Skills

WorldSkills Asia advocates the need, value, and results of skilled work and professional training for young people so that industries, regions, and countries will thrive in the global economy. The organization will work together with educators, policy makers, industry, and other organizations to redefine the value, improve the attractiveness of skills and elevate the skills standard.

Programs & Activities:

- Collaborating with global schools and training centers through maintaining the international standard of quality education and training programs for students. This will enable the members to gain access to the world's leading network of training centers and organizations promoting skills training.
- Providing special training and/or workshops and competency-based programs from global sponsors and partner institutions. Through this, members will learn best practices on how other countries and regions promotes and attracts young people to skills career.
- Giving recognition and promotion to deserving skills professionals through media platform.

Education and Training

WorldSkills Asia collects and maintains a library of tools and ideas for members, educators and industry practitioners to develop new and innovative ways of teaching and training the future workforce and gain the skills in demand. WSA Asia creates connections and opportunities for skills competition participants to a lasting career path through lifelong learning opportunities and promote skills awareness into the classroom by creating hands-on learning opportunities for youth. We encourage educators and industries to develop standard training regulations and methodology including applied best practices to remain relevant for the future needs of skill professionals.

Programs & Activities:

- Designing a program among members for sharing of expertise and diversity in training programs
- Providing scholarship programs to qualified students
- Creating a Skills Tutorial Workshops through the "Experts Exchange"
- Creating additional and enhanced skills-based curriculum for vocational technical schools
- Designing a modern and innovative professional education and training and developing applied practical qualifications through a balanced theoretical and practical curriculum

International Cooperation and Development

WorldSkills Asia provides a place and a platform for anyone interested in learning and understanding how skills can make a difference – where youth, teachers, and institutions to industry and governments, can meet, learn and develop together. This aims to impact the national, regional, and global education agendas and resource distribution.

Programs & Activities:

- Promoting membership among Asian countries and encouraging support to skills training and sharing of resources
- Participating and supporting the members' national events that are related to skills development programs
- Conducting the General Assembly once a year to open a table for discussion for all members
- Fostering cooperation, unity and brotherhood among members
- Accreditation and Certification programs to provide opportunities for overseas workers and improved workforce skills and productivity

Skills Competition

WorldSkills Asia organizes Skills Competition every 2 years and members are given the opportunity to host the competition in their respective country.

- A platform to showcase the best young skilled talents of your country/region to compete with the other skilled professionals from other region. This will enable you to compare the skills being taught in your country against the global benchmark.
- Elevate the organization of local competitions by utilizing WorldSkills Asia competition projects and judging criteria in order to enhance your own national competition.
- The privilege to connect and convene with the largest network of international organizers of skills competitions.
- Access to the new, advanced and state-of-the-art tools and equipment to host local competitions

Roles and Responsibilities of Delegates

An Official and Technical Delegate represent a Member. These Delegates are appointed at the Member's discretion but must be selected to actively contribute and fulfill their respective roles and responsibilities for WorldSkills Asia.

When a Member changes their Official Delegate or Technical Delegate, their official notification letter must include signed copies indicating acceptance by the new Delegate of their roles and responsibilities.

Official Delegate

Official Delegates represent their Member organization in the General Assembly and the Strategic Committee. Each Member organization has one Official Delegate.

The Strategic Committee's main terms of reference are:

- Supporting the development of the Organization's mission, vision, and strategy, and implementing the associated action plan,
- Supporting and implementing the development of the WorldSkills Asia brand (both the positioning and visual identity), and Members adoption of it,
- Leading the implementation of measures to increase the brand value and brand recognition of WorldSkills in domestic and Asia markets,
- Determining the admission and removal of skill competitions, and
- Promotion of youth exchanges.

Technical Delegate

Technical Delegates represent their Member Organization in the General Assembly and the Competitions Committee. Each Member organization has one Technical Delegate.

The Competitions Committee's main terms of reference are:

- Working with all countries' Technical Delegates to reflect on and draw up proposals with regards to the aims and objectives of the WorldSkills Asia Competitions;
- Activities aiming to strengthen the events and WorldSkills Asia Competitions;
- Finding solutions to technical problems concerning the organization of the WorldSkills Asia Competitions;
- Advising on changes to the Rules of WorldSkills Asia Competition;
- Preparing the reports received from the Board of Directors and drafting proposals to the Board of Directors;
- Appointment of the relevant staff according to the WorldSkills Asia Competition Rules to ensure that the technical outlines for the respective WorldSkills Asia Competitions are created according to WorldSkills Asia requirements and updated regularly to reflect the latest technical and related competencies for that skill in modern practice.
- Setting up of standard marking criteria at the WorldSkills Asia Competition
- Setting up of standard admission criteria for competitors and experts.
- Proposals on recognitions and awards for competitors
- Recommendations on admission or cancelling of WorldSkills Asia Competitions
- Recommendation on honors and awards to the Board of Directors

Membership Application Documents

A. Description

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B. Letter of Ministry Support

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C. Delegate Registration Form

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Supplements:

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- [C_Technical_Delegate_role_and_responsibilities.pdf](#)
- [C_Technical_Delegate_Assistant_role_and_responsibilities.pdf](#)

D. Letter of Agreement

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E. Signed Official Documents

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