



Empowering Scotland's Ethnic and Cultural Minority Communities



Membership Form

Vision & Mission of BEMIS

As a strategic national infrastructure organisation, BEMIS aims to empower the diverse Ethnic Minority third sector. We are committed to promoting inclusion, democratic active citizenship, recognition of diversity, human rights education, and wider representation, as well as effecting a proactive role in maintaining and enhancing pathways to influence government policy at local, Scottish, UK and EU levels.

Our vision is of a Scotland that is Equal, Inclusive, and Responsive: A society where people from the diverse communities are valued, treated with dignity and respect, have equal citizenship, opportunities and quality of life, and who actively participate in civic society.

The role of BEMIS is to support organisations and individuals who:

- Are defined as being discriminated on grounds of race, culture, colour, language and faith.
- Have history of being excluded.
- Have difficulty in accessing mainstream services and the decision making processes.

This support will be provided at various levels, both local and national, and will include the dissemination and access to information, representation, access to the decision making process, capacity building, networking, training opportunities etc.

BEMIS FULL MEMBERSHIP

Full membership is open to all voluntary and community organisations, led by a Management Committee in which 80% of the Members of the Committee is from the ethnic minorities and which is working in the service of the ethnic minority communities. Some of the benefits your full membership entitles you to:

- (a) Eligibility to vote at the Annual General Meeting
- (b) To seek representation on the Board of Directors
- (c) Weekly MEMO updates
- (d) Free or discounted training and support programmes
- (e) Access to information resources on fundraising and other services
- (f) Membership to strategic planning forum
- (g) Access to local and national working groups
- (h) Access to local and national consultation processes
- (i) Support and representation at various levels

ASSOCIATED MEMBERSHIP

ORGANISATIONAL ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Open to any organisations/groups/agencies providing a service to ethnic minority communities (but who do not qualify for full membership)

INDIVIDUAL ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Open to individuals from ethnic minorities who are, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, involved in community development and associated work whether such work is paid or unpaid. Both Organisational and Individual Associated Membership entitles you to:

- (a) Weekly MEMO updates
- (b) Free or discounted training and support programmes
- (c) Access to information resources on fundraising and other services
- (d) Access to local and national working groups
- (e) Access to local and national consultation processes

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

Open to any organisation, voluntary, statutory, educational or corporate or any department within such an organisation, which wishes to develop a better understanding of the ethnic minority voluntary sector and communities and supports and promotes equality and the value of diversity within its policies and service delivery.

SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP

Supporting membership was introduced to ensure that anyone who would benefit from the work of BEMIS could access the information (newsletter) and services (networks, seminars, working groups etc) available either as an individual or as part of their work.

INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP

Open to any individual from the black and ethnic minorities who may or may not have an active role in community development or associated work but wishes to support the work of BEMIS and have access to the services our organisation provides.

ORGANISATIONAL SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP

Open to any worker, within an organisation which has qualified and holds full associate or corporate membership. Organisations can select as many key workers as supporting members in addition to their official representative.

Full

Associate (Organisational)

Corporate

Person selected to be member _____

Organisation/Group you represent _____

Address _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____

e-mail _____

Authorised by organisation - Position _____

Name _____ Signature _____

(Please provide organisation stamp or letterhead with application)

Individual Associate

Individual Supporting

Your name _____

Home address _____

Tel: _____

Mobile _____

e-mail _____

Fee Payable (Please tick fee due)

Full/Associated Organisational

Income Above £100K £50
Income £25K - £100K £25
Income £10K - £25K £15
Income Under £10K £10
Corporate Membership £150

Supporting (Additional)

Per worker £15 No. _____
Per worker £13 No. _____
Per worker £8 No. _____
Per worker £5 No. _____
As above for additional supporting

Individual Associate or Supporting Membership

Waged £10
Unwaged £5

Date of Application _____

Organisational Membership Fees with Full / Associate / Corporate

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Annual Gross Income	Full Membership (Voting) Associate/Corporate (Non-voting)	Supporting (Non-voting) Additional Workers
Income Above £100K	£50	£15
Income £25K - £100K	£25	£13
Income £10K - £25K	£15	£8
Income Under £10K	£10	£3
Corporate Membership	£150	As above

Individual Membership Fees

Individual Associate or Individual Supporting


Waged Individual	£10
Unwaged / Student / Retired etc.	£5

Please complete the form on the previous page and sign your name below and return to BEMIS:

mail@bemis.org.uk or BEMIS, Mezzanine, 70 Hutcheson Steet, Glasgow G1 1SH

Please make membership fee payments to:

Account Name: BEMIS Scotland | Account Number: 00137079 | Sort Code: 83-21-33

I _____  Sign here.
(Representative or individual)

I am in agreement with the stated aims, objectives and mission statement of BEMIS. I wish to apply for a one year membership as an individual member or as a representative of an organisation or group.

DATA PROTECTION - BEMIS is developing a national database with regard to the black and ethnic minority sector. From time to time BEMIS will be asked to provide contact details and general information on organisations/groups or individuals working in the black and ethnic minority communities for research and consultation purposes. If you **do not** want your contact details to be made available to interested parties tick here.