

## ADEPT MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM



*This application form is designed in line with the provisions of the ADEPT AISBL Statutes*

### Presentation of ADEPT

ADEPT is a service delivery platform working with African Diaspora Development Organisations (ADDOs) in Europe that are active in the development of Africa. ADEPT works and engages with 85 countries (28 EU countries, plus Switzerland and Norway, and 55 African countries) through delivery of services to diaspora organisations and individuals in Europe and Africa. ADEPT's aim is to **improve and enhance the capacity and impact of African diaspora organisations involved in development activities in Africa.**

ADEPT emerged out of the pilot Africa-Europe Platform [AEP] project which ran from 2010 to 2013, as part of the Joint Africa-EU Strategic Partnership [JASP], agreed at the 2007 Lisbon summit. The ADEPT Transition project ran from July 2014 to July 2017 and was implemented and managed by AFFORD (UK), with funding from the European Commission, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), and International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD). ADEPT is now registered as an International Nonprofit Association (AISBL) established in Brussels, Belgium since 2017.

ADEPT enhances the development impact of African Diaspora Development Organisations (ADDOs) in Europe by providing an inclusive, interactive and informative space. ADEPT believes that through the sharing of professional expertise and experiences, ADDOs will enhance their capabilities, as they operate at the heart of migration and development policy and practice.

In particular, ADEPT assists **Africa Diaspora-Development Organisations (ADDOs)** to:

- ∴ Optimise their development engagement in Africa
- ∴ Professionalise their organisations and activities
- ∴ Create effective partnerships in Europe and Africa
- ∴ Expand and improve their development activities in Africa
- ∴ Influence the policy and practice of development cooperation.

ADEPT works with:

- Diaspora organisations and enterprises
- Governments and policymakers
- Development and international agencies
- Civil society organisations and academia.

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## Key Membership Criteria

### 1. General Members

According to the ADEPT Statutes, to become a General Member, organisations must:

- A.** Be legally registered as a not-for-profit organisation in Europe
- B.** Have a majority of trustees “identify themselves as being of African heritage”
- D.** Commit to the purpose, aim and services of ADEPT
- E.** Pay the membership fee
- F.** Deliver development projects in one or more African countries (for platforms or umbrella groups, they must have 10 (ten) or more members delivering projects in African countries).

### 2. Associate Members

Organisations that meet the criteria **A** to **E**, but DO NOT HAVE development projects in Africa, can be registered as **Associate Members**, with access to ADEPT services, the right to attend General Assembly meetings, but no right to vote.

### 3. Networkers

All organisation interested can apply to be a networker

Obligations For African Diaspora-Development Organisations	ADEPT General Member	ADEPT Associate	ADEPT Networker
Be an African diaspora-led organisation	X	X	
Be legally registered in a European country	X	X	
Pay an annual membership fee	X	X	
Agree and assent to ADEPT Articles of Association	X	X	
Have a minimum annual income of 250 000 € as evidenced in Accounts	X		
Already deliver development projects in Africa or represent 10 or more ADDOs that deliver projects in Africa	X		
Share legal responsibility for ADEPT as a regulated body	X		
<i>Membership annual fee</i>	€250	€50	€0

## Membership fees

1. **General members:** €250 (Two Hundred and Fifty Euros) per year
2. **Associate members:** €50 (Fifty Euros) per year
3. **Networkers:** €0 (Zero Euros) per year

*NB : Payments must be made after prior approval by ADEPT Platform to activate membership*

Payments can be made by bank transfer to:

AFRICA-EUROPE DIASPORA DEVELOPMENT PLATFORM AISBL  
 Rue Washington 40, 1050 Brussels, Belgium  
 IBAN: **BE83 3630 7322 2815**  
 BIC: **BBRUBEBB**  
 Reference: membership/nameofyourorganisation

## ADEPT Membership Benefits

Benefits	ADEPT General Member	ADEPT Associate	ADEPT Networker
Listed on ADEPT online database	X	X	X
Access to general ADEPT services and resources	X	X	X
Receive information about ADEPT activities	X	X	X
Take part in policy and general consultations	X	X	X
Priority access to specially funded ADEPT services	X	X	
Permitted to use approved ADEPT Associate logo	X	X	
Possibility to represent ADEPT at external events	X	X	
Invitation to attend Annual General Meeting (AGM) as observer	X	X	
Possibility of being co-opted to the ADEPT Advisory Council	X	X	
Right to attend and vote at ADEPT AGM	X		
Can stand for election to the Board of Trustees (BoT)	X		
Can stand for election to be an officer within the BoT	X		

### ADEPT's core services to diaspora organisations and individuals in Europe and Africa are:

- ∴ Providing training and guidance
- ∴ Producing directories and databases
- ∴ Showcasing best practices
- ∴ Disseminating information and announcements
- ∴ Undertaking action research
- ∴ Facilitating networking and partnerships
- ∴ Conducting consultations and joint positions
- ∴ Policy representations and negotiations
- ∴ Positive images and representation of Africa

### ADEPT's supplementary services include:

- ∴ Diaspora Fellowship Programme
- ∴ Women Engagement Programme
- ∴ Diaspora Volunteering Programme

### ADDOs are encouraged to join the ADEPT network. Among the advantages of joining the network are:

- ∴ Increased visibility for your organisation
- ∴ Access to members' updates, news and information about training and funding opportunities
- ∴ Increased access to information on other ADDOs in our network
- ∴ Identify potential partners and donors
- ∴ Contribute to debates and discussions on migration and development, including consultations

## Registration procedure

To complete your membership application **please send us by email** at [cdm@adept-platform.org](mailto:cdm@adept-platform.org), the following documents:

1. Completed, signed, scanned copy of the Application Form presented below (p4-5)
2. Copy of the organisation's Statutes / Articles of Association
3. Copy of the organisation's notice/certificate of registration from the official government register (showing registration name, number and date)
4. Copy of the organisation's latest Accounts as filed with the government register/regulator
5. Copy of the passport/ID of the person representing the organisation at ADEPT
6. Any relevant support or communication document that would allow ADEPT to better know/understand your organisation and the work it is currently doing in Europe and/or in Africa

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