

Join a Project Group and become a change-maker

Members use our tools and services on a daily basis, so their input is especially useful when we need to make improvements or create something from scratch. To maximise member involvement and tap into their collective expertise, we are creating a range of different Project Groups (PGs).

Project Groups will represent efficient advice-giving bodies that take into account the practical experience and views of amfori members. Each PG will have specific scopes of work and predefined time frames in which to complete that work.

Shaping our future: your role

At the request of any amfori governance body and/or the amfori Secretariat, a PG will provide non-binding, operational guidance on a given topic. For this reason, members that join a PG should have operational expertise on the Group's area of focus.

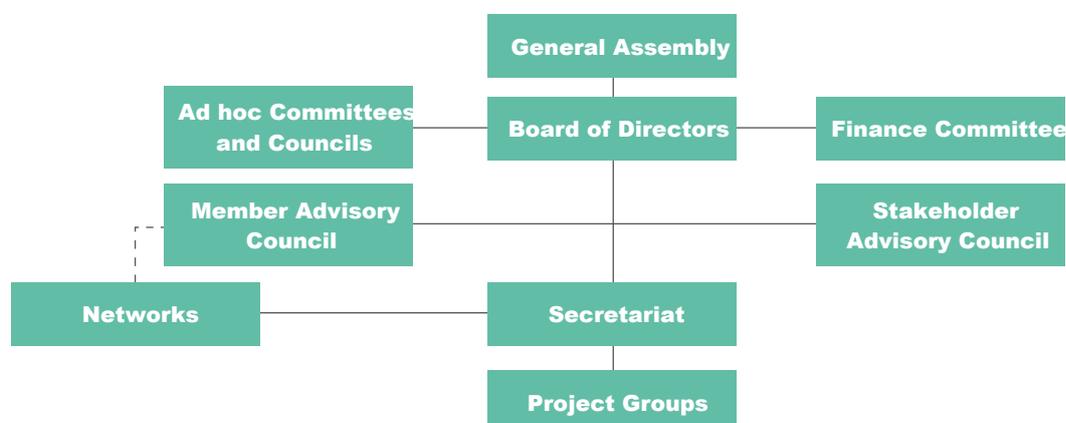
Project Groups can meet physically, by phone or other electronic means. Their members need to be prepared to invest enough time to actively engage in the Group discussions.

Further details about the specific scope and tasks of each PG can be found on [this list](#) and will be provided on the [application form](#). However, the principles of each Group will remain similar: member representatives will bring their views and experience to the practical development of tools, services or any other related matter.

It is expected that a PG member will be aware of her/his responsibility towards all amfori members and support the best interests of the association.

Benefits for members

- ✓ Help shape tools and services you and other members use
 - ✓ Develop your own knowledge of sustainability operations
 - ✓ Exchange information with peers about issues of common concern
 - ✓ Take advantage of a platform for focused discussion
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How is the amfori Project Group structured?

The structure of each PG will vary. The objective is that the Groups should be representative, with a recommended number of 12 people. Additional experts will be invited when necessary.

Project Groups will seek to reflect the diversity of members in terms of countries where the organisation is headquartered (ideally, no more than two members of a Project Group should be related to members headquartered in a same country), the organisation's activity and size, and the gender of the representatives.

What are the criteria to become a member of an amfori Project Group?

Candidates for PGs need to work for Ordinary Members, i.e companies and associations. They should also have operational expertise on the subject matter of the PG to which they are applying.

How to apply

Look at [the list](#) of upcoming PGs to identify the one you are interested in joining. Fill in the [online application](#) for that Group between 30 January and 5 March 2018.

You will be asked to provide professional background information, your motivation for joining, a short account of your relevant expertise and what you feel you can bring to the Project Group. All profiles will be reviewed by the Secretariat and members of the Project Groups will be appointed by the Secretariat before the end of March.

As a general rule, a member cannot be represented simultaneously in more than two bodies of amfori to allow for a broad diversity of companies to participate and be represented.

The first meeting of the amfori Project Groups will be held after March 2018. We look forward to welcoming you there!



As a member of the Customs Group, I find the information I receive, and the opportunity to provide input on proposed changes to EU legislation, very useful. The bi-annual meetings in Brussels are also a great opportunity to meet with customs experts from other companies and to discuss issues directly with the Commission. I have every confidence that the amfori Customs Project Group will be just as useful and interesting and look forward to being part of that Group.

Bernd Stadler, Head of Customs, Hugo Boss



Our previous experience with the BEPI Task Force has shown that Project Groups enable the kind of collaboration that informs members, expanding their knowledge of given topics and allowing a deeper engagement with the BEPI system and amfori Secretariat. While, the time bound nature of Project Groups lays out a clear set of deliverables against which participants can measure their progress.

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