

Types of membership:

A. Individual members: persons from European countries who identify with the aims of ECA-EC and would like to contribute to and collaborate with the federation

B. Family members: families from European countries who identify with the aims of ECA-EC and would like to contribute to and collaborate with the federation / family means 1 or 2 adults and their children under 27 living at the same address

C. Member choirs: choirs from European countries

D. Member organizations: not-for-profit choral and conductors' organisations in Europe and other not-for profit organizations working for the development and promotion of vocal music, in Europe. Types of choral organizations - Within Category D:

D.1. Major choral umbrella organizations

Organisations that operate on a national level and have choir organizations (national, specialized organizations and/or regional organizations) as members

- > *Special advantages of membership in addition to the ones mentioned above:* "Indirect membership in the European Choral Association – Europa Cantat" applies to all members of the members of the umbrella organization – in some countries this means that practically all choirs/singers/conductors of a given country are considered as indirect members
- > *Votes at General Assembly:* 30 votes
- > *Examples:* FENIARCO in Italy, Moviment Coral Català in Catalunya, SULASOL in Finland

D.2. National choral organisations or similar organisations (e.g. in autonomous regions)

Organisations that operate on a national level (or in an autonomous region) and have choirs and/or individual singers and/or smaller organizations as members

- > *Special advantages of membership in addition to the ones mentioned above:* "Indirect membership in the European Choral Association – Europa Cantat" applies to all members of the organization*
- > *Votes at General Assembly:* 26 votes
- > *Examples:* A Coeur Joie in France, AMJ in Germany, FCEC in Catalonia, KÓTA in Hungary, etc.

D.3. Other organisations

Small organizations which either are specialized (e.g. in children's choirs or another specific type of choir), or have a very limited number of choirs or a very limited budget, local or regional organizations, organizations that do not have members

- > *Special advantages of membership in addition to the ones mentioned above:*

For choir organizations “Indirect Europa Cantat membership” applies to all members of the Organization* (For umbrella organizations with a limited budget which apply under this category the indirect membership will NOT apply to all members of their members)

> *Votes at General Assembly:* 10 votes

> *Examples:* SCIC in Catalonia, UNGiKÖR in Sweden, BDC in Germany

NB: Not-for-profit organizations working for the development and promotion of vocal music which are not choral organizations and do not have choirs or choral organizations as members, e.g. choral centres, organizers of choral events etc., either belong to this category of membership or they can join the European Choral Association – Europa Cantat as partners (see below). In their case the principle of indirect membership cannot be applied.

D.4. Conductors’ Associations

Associations operating on a regional, national or international level which have individual choral conductors as members

> Special advantages of membership in addition to the ones mentioned above: “Indirect membership in the European Choral Association – Europa Cantat” applies to all members of the organization*, i.e. to the conductors personally, though not to their respective choirs

Conductors associations can send their membership lists to Europa Cantat so that their members receive Europa Cantat publications directly at home

> *Votes at General Assembly:* 5 votes

> *Examples:* ABCD in the UK, Internationaler Chorverband in Germany

Country groups:

1: from AT, AW, BE, CA, CY, CH, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, HK, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, LU, NL, NO, SE, SG, UK, US

2: from AR, CG, CN, CO, CZ, EE, GR, MT, PE, PT, SI, SK, TW and some overseas countries

3: from AL, AM, BA, BG, BY, GE, HR, HU, KZ, LT, LV, MD, MK, ME, RO, RS, RU, TR, UA

If you are not sure which country group you belong to, write to

info@EuropeanChoralAssociation.org

** This rule of indirect membership for members of members does not apply to*

- member organizations that have not paid their membership fee for the previous year

- member organizations in country group 3 where indirect membership cannot be checked

- umbrella organizations that decide to join as organizations in country group 3 – see below

- organizations or institutions that do not have regular members