



# **EUSA Membership**

**for your**

# **National Association**

**The European Union of Swimming Pool and Spa Associations**

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# **1. What is EUSA?**

EUSA is the “Voice of the Swimming Pool and Spa Industry”, based in Belgium. It was founded in 2003 and was officially registered in 2006, with its headquarters in Brussels.

It represents craftsmen, the trade, wholesalers and the rest of the swimming pool and spa industry in Europe.

Currently, there are fourteen national swimming pool and spa associations that are members of EUSA, representing approximately 2,500 companies, from all areas in the supply chain, adding value in the swimming pool and spa business.

A set of formal Statutes exists and a copy is held by each National Association in EUSA membership.

EUSA is regularly involved with a number of important roles, including:

- Providing representatives on various Government, Industry and European Standards committees.
- Dealing with technical enquiries relating to pools and spas and issuing advisory notes to members on technical matters.
- Producing updated market data reports.
- Updating the Association’s website with relevant information.

New members may join where there is a National Association that is formally set up in a country that is either a part of the European Union, or is part of the wider European region.

## 2. Membership

Full Membership of EUSA is open to any National Swimming Pool and / or Spa Association, within the EU.

Other European countries may join EUSA as Associate members, but although they are able to contribute to the discussions, they have no voting rights.

Applications for membership are processed by the EUSA office and National Associations are invited to attend a relevant meeting where their application will be considered by the EUSA Board, for approval.

Part of the responsibility for being a Member is to take on the Presidency of EUSA, which is held by a named individual from each National Association, by rotation for a two year period.

## 3. Subscription Fees

The number of votes allocated is determined by the size of each National Pool industry and usually costs €600 per vote, but may vary from year to year, depending on any discounts that may be applicable.

Currently, a minimum payment entitling three votes is required, although depending on the size of the pool market, six or ten votes can be applicable.

The current votes held by each country are as follows:

### **10 votes each**

France, Germany and Spain

### **6 votes each**

Italy, Sweden and UK

### **3 votes each**

Austria, Belgium, Greece, Hungary, Portugal and Romania

Please note that Switzerland and Turkey are Associate members and therefore do not have an official vote.

The votes for each country are based on figures for the number of pools in that country and have recently been revised. They are currently calculated as follows:

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|---------------------------|------------|
| ➤ 600,000 pools           | = 10 votes |
| ➤ 100,000 < 600,000 pools | = 6 votes  |
| ➤ < 100,000 pools         | = 3 votes  |

## **4. Services to Members**

### **Technical Documents and Services**

Members have access to a wide range of technical documents on the EUSA website.

### **Meetings**

All Members are entitled to attend EUSA meetings, which are usually convened twice per year.

### **EUSA Technical**

The EUSA Technical Committee produces a range of working papers and debate issues of a technical nature.

### **International Bodies**

EUSA consults with national and international groups, bodies, associations and governments, on behalf of the European swimming pool and spa trade. The Association also represents its Members' views on any consultative or legal body concerned with the regulation, quality control or technical publications relating to the industry across Europe.

EUSA has Liaison Status with CEN to ensure the European pool and spa voice is in communication with the body responsible for developing European standards.

EUSA has access to, and uses, the expertise, skills and contacts of a number of world-wide specialists in the construction, installation, maintenance and correction of problems in the swimming pool/spa products range.

## **5. Administration and Organisation**

### **The Association**

EUSA is the body responsible for coordinating National Associations across Europe and it represents craftsmen, the trade, wholesalers and the industry of the swimming pool and spa businesses in Europe.

The Association office is located at Avenue des Arts 8, B-1210, Brussels, Belgium.

### **The Board of Directors**

The Association is managed by a Board of Directors, which currently comprises:

President: Andreas Petridis (SEEPY, Greece)

Vice President: Philippe Bach (FPP, France)

Treasurer: Mille Ornmark (SBB, Sweden)

### **EUSA Technical and Social Meetings**

The Association holds, as deemed appropriate by the Board, technical and social seminars or meetings each year.

The secretarial support for EUSA in 2016 and 2017 is provided by SEEPY, Greece.

# 7. Membership Application Form

Name of National Association: .....

Contact name: .....

Position: .....

Address: .....

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Town / City:..... County/Region:.....

Country:..... Post Code (if applicable).....

Company Registration number of the National Association:.....

Tel: .....

Fax: .....

E-mail: .....

Website: .....

When was the Association formed?: .....

How many members does the Association have?: .....

Name and Address of President (or equivalent):

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**Is the National Association applying for Full membership or Associate membership?**

Full membership / Associate membership (please delete the one that is not applicable).

(Note: Full membership is appropriate to a National Association in a country that is part of the European Union).

**The membership fee payable is based on the size of the pool industry in your country. Please confirm the number of pools in your country (this may have to be an estimate).**

We wish to become Members of EUSA. We agree to be bound by the published Statutes of the Association.

We confirm that we shall, to the best of our ability, further the objects and influence of EUSA. We confirm that the information supplied herewith is correct and true to the best of our knowledge.

We will ensure prompt payment of any relevant fees requested by EUSA and understand that this is a fundamental responsibility while a EUSA member.

**Association** .....

**Name :** (please print) .....

**Position in Association:** .....

**Signed :** .....

**Date :** .....

Evidence of both Public and Employers Liability insurance is required, together with a copy of the Association's latest certified accounts.

The Applicant's details will be circulated to EUSA Board members, who will vote on the application.

**Checklist and enclosures reminder for all applicants**

- Application form fully completed and confirming membership category
- Latest set of annual accounts
- Copy of current Public and Employees' Liability Insurance Certificate
- Please supply a copy of your Association logo and letterhead

<b>For Office Use Only:</b>	
<b>Date received:</b>	.....
<b>Letter of Recommendation:</b>	.....