







**EBSOMED Academy** – Maximizing the effectiveness of BSOs

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**Session – Membership management** 





## Why is it crucial?

Revenue – resources

Representativeness - influence

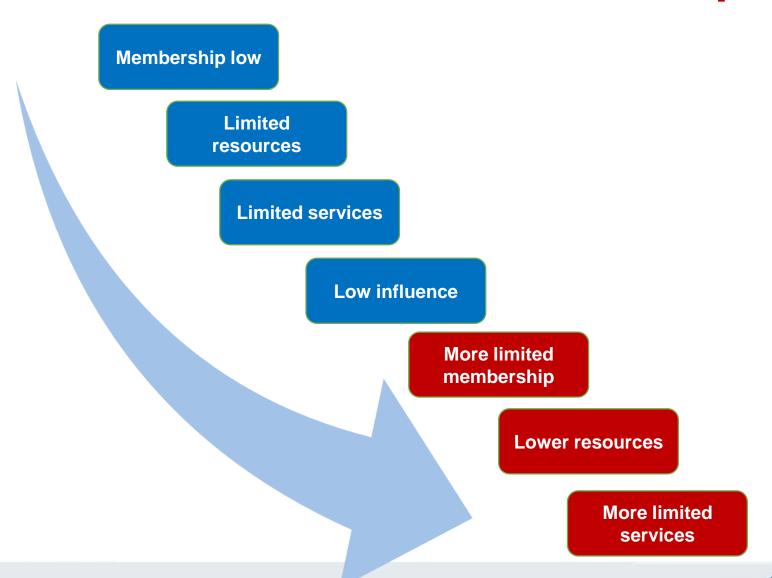




## The issues around membership



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#### **Reactions of EBMOs**

**Two** reactions:

#### 1) Instinctive one



We need more communication, a membership pack, launch new services...

Lots of efforts, but not efficient and effective (NO cost and effort maximised) and coherent (NO strategy)

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#### 2) A more professional one

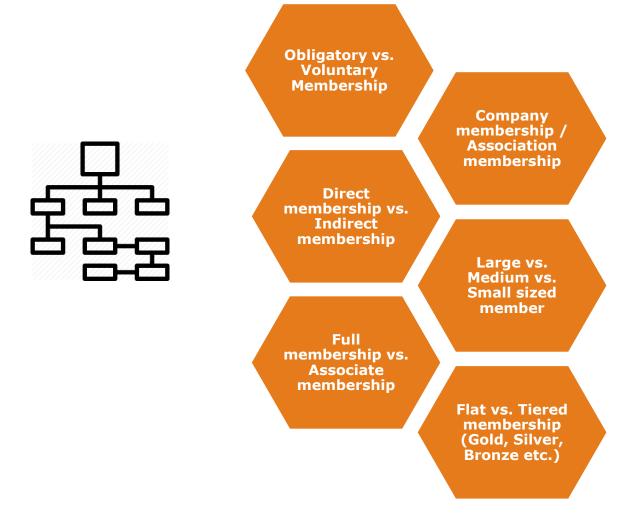


Membership is a complex issue, which needs planning, holistic approach, a comprehensive strategy and dedicated support tools

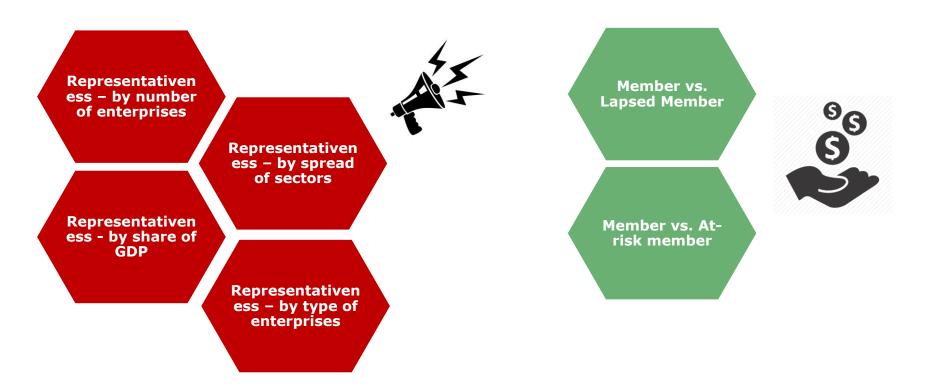
## **Membership concepts**

# ie. Understanding our members

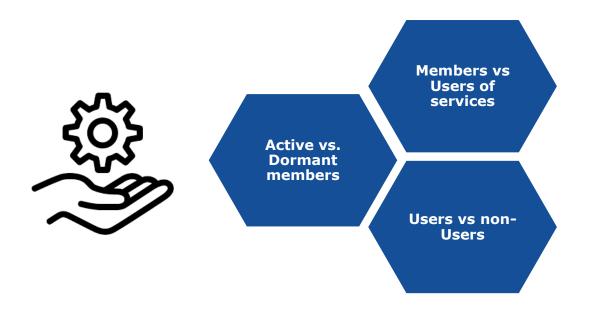
#### Membership categories



#### Members as assets



#### **Members as clients**



#### **Discussion**

Which are the main problems your organization faces in membership relations and development?



- Work in groups
- ■20 minutes
- Note down on a flipchart

### Talking about strategy

A strategic plan typically helps an organization respond to the following questions:

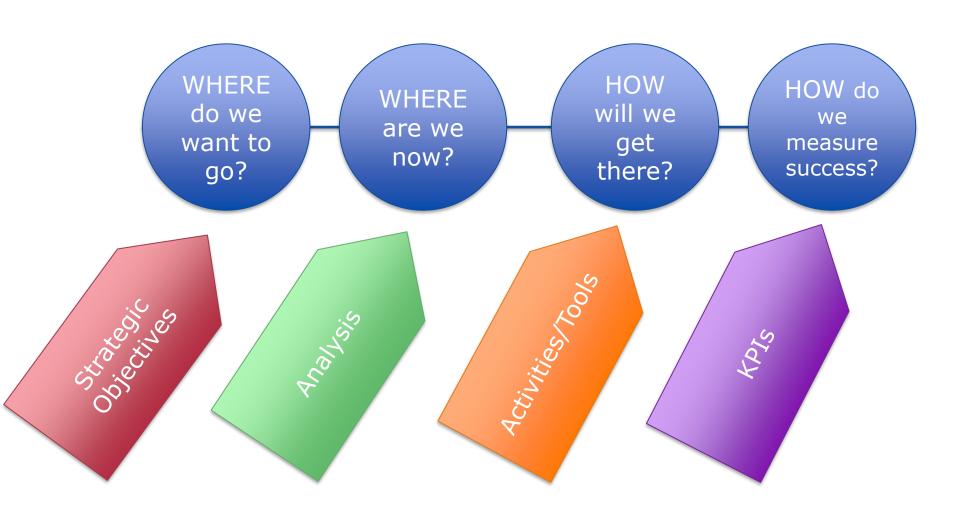
- 1. Where do I want to take my EBMO? The destination
- Where are we right now? The starting point
- 3. How will we get there? The journey
- 4. How will I know if we are succeeding? The checkpoints

### Talking about strategy

#### A membership strategy is

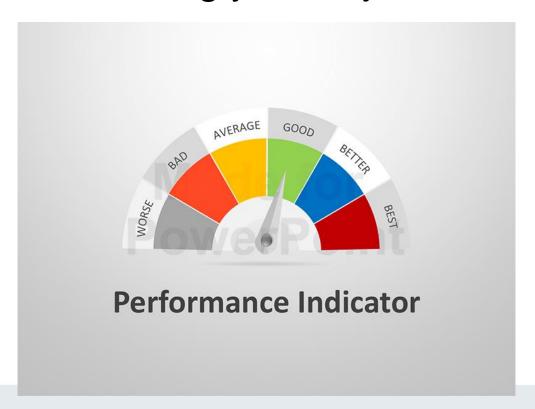
- Linked to the overall strategic plan of the EBMO
- Details the
  - objectives (destination),
  - starting point,
  - activities/tools (journey) and
  - KPIs (checkpoints) specific to membership

## **Membership strategy**



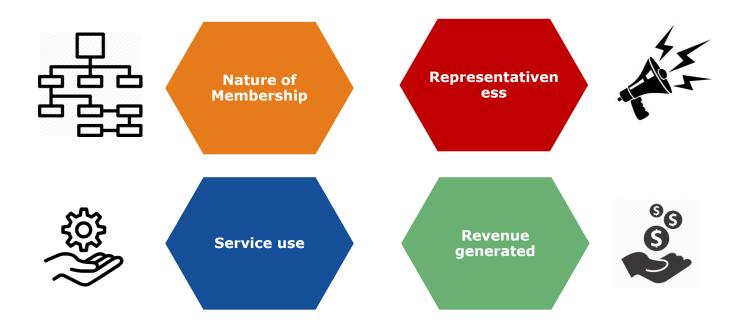
#### Talking about indicators

 You need indicators to track progress towards achieving your objectives



#### Talking about indicators

What do we want to measure ie. What is the "essential-to-know" information?





Members growth rate

N° (paying) members at 31.12.2018 / n° (paying) members at 31.12.2017

+ By segments / categories of membership as well as by location (capital city / region)

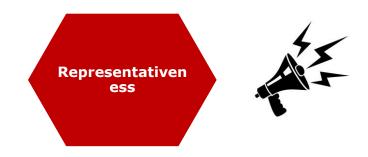
Retention rate or Renewal rate

N° (paying) members at 31.12.2018 [MINUS] new members [DIVIDED BY] total number of members at 31.12.2017

Recruitment rate

N° new (paying) members in 2018 / n° (paying) members in 2017

Sucessful strategies have an effect on both!



#### Members' share by numbers

Total n° companies - members (direct + indirect) at 31.12.2018/ total n° of registered companies in formal private sector in 2018

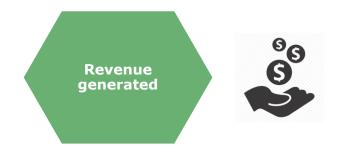
#### Members' share by employees

Total employment of (direct + indirect) members at 31.12.2018/ total employment in 2018 in formal private sector

#### Members' share by GDP

Total turnover of (direct + indirect) members at 31.12.2017/ total GDP in formal private sector

+ Evolution year by year



#### Collection rate

Total n° members having paid fees at x moment in time in 2018 / total number of paid members at 31.12.2017

- + Share of fees in overall income of the EBMO
- + Evolution year by year





#### Service use

N° members using at least 1 service during year X / n° members during year X

- + Variants according to intensity of use (for example 3 services)
- + Differentiation between members-users and «pure» users

Indicator of risk!

Engagement (dormant vs. active)

N° members having attended at least AGM or Board or commissions/ total n° members

- Revenue generated by services
- Income from selling of services at 31.12.2018
- + Evolution by year / share of services in overall income of the EBMO

#### Membership KPIs – across categories

- Members loyalty (=Average Tenure)
   n° of total years of membership by all members / n° of members
- Average annual member value total income of EBMO via membership and paying services for year x / n° members
- Members life time value average annual value X average tenure

Gives an indication of the maximum budget available for recruitment campaigns!

# How to manage members data?

Customer Relations Management for Employers' Organizations





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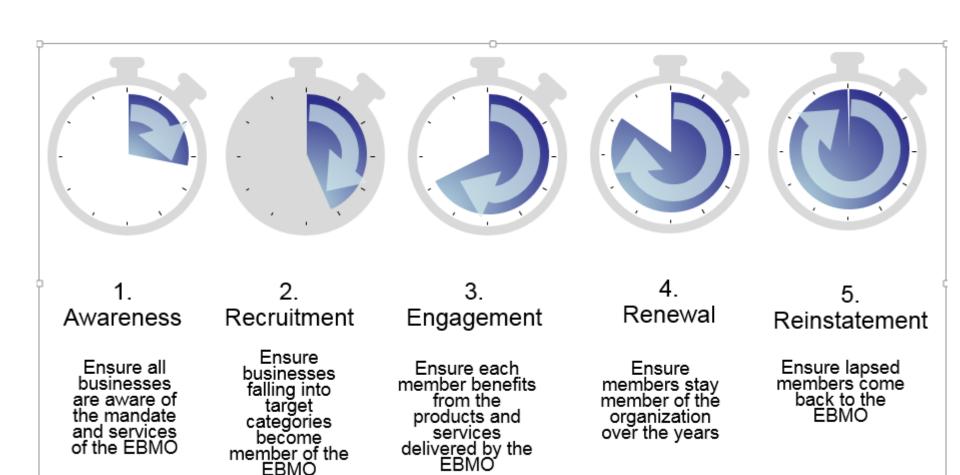
CRM DATABASE: EMPLOYERS' FEDERATION OF CEYLON Kaniska Weerasinghe - Director General

#### Membership KPIs – some "golden rules"

- Suscription fees should represent approx. 50-70% of overall EBMO income
- Rate of subscription fees collection should be around 90%
- Retention rates should not go under 80%
- Recruitment rates should always be higher than lapse members rates

Any other?

#### The membership cycle and what it means for EBMOs



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### The Membership Cycle

- All EBMOs conduct membership recruitment activities but what happens in many cases is that it is done in an ad hoc or piece meal approach;
- From the activities you are conducting,
  - Which ones respond to which phase of the membership cycle?
  - On which phase have you concentrated your efforts?
  - Which phase has been underserved?



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## The Membership Cycle



1. Awareness

Ensure all businesses are aware of the mandate and services of the ERMO

The aim of awareness-raising is two-fold:

- to ensure potential members are aware of the EBMO and what it does and
- for the EBMO to be aware of the changing needs of members and potential members.

Is the Value Proposition of the EBMO formulated and communicated in an efficient way?



## The Membership Cycle



#### 2. Recruitment

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- Where should recruitment efforts of the EBMO focus? Identify priority segments to conduct penetration analysis
- Can the EBMO rely on a broad base of members? Can the EBMO rely on segments of the economy having the most weight (GDP)? Are the emerging sectors in membership? Map membership segments to identify if important ones are missed (SMEs? Informal?)
  - In areas of strong membership what can we do to attract free riders?
  - In areas of poor membership are we responding adequately to needs?



#### Possible actions

- 1. Obtain information on potential members and rank them to establish recruitment goals.
- 2. Adapt your value proposition following your ranking.
- 3. Have a range of tools prepared to support your recruitment actions.
- 4. Develop and implement actions for recruiting members.
- 5. Ensure smooth integration of new members to the organization.
- 6. Develop retention policies for new members.

## 1. Obtain information on potential members and rank them to stablish recruitment goals

#### **Information you might need:**

- What segments of the economy are currently affiliated to your BMO? What are you missing? Are you adequately representing SMEs? Do you have young entrepreneurs?
- How representative are you in each segment?
- What are the missing segments to recruit? Why? What are their characteristics?
- Are there important trends in the economy/society that suggest you aim for an specific sector/area?
- What are your competitors doing?
- What can you specifically offer to your target segments?

## Recruiting

Is it easy to get those lists?
Where can they be obtained?

DEBATE

#### **Business Associations**

- Mapping (primary research) of sectoral and territorial business associations in the country.
- Obtain information and data on the "power" and representativeness of these organizations.
- Extract from your member database how many of these associations are affiliated to your organization (umbrella).
- Define the strategic objectives taking into account the "benefits of representativeness" for your organization: which organizations will you address so that your BMO is more representative?

#### **Companies**

- Select a criterion (sector, field or industry or, eventually, size).
- Determine, from publicly available data, the number of companies registered as operating in that sector or industry (or of that size).
- Extract from your member database how many of those companies are members of your organization.
- Define new membership objectives considering money, knowledge, prestige, and greater representation that new members could bring.

## 2. Adapt your value proposition following your ranking

The BMO should develop:

General value propositions for new members.

Specific value propositions for the target segments (sectors, regions, size).

The BO must test the value propositions with the planned segment.

In its communications, the BO must constantly use its value proposition.

## 3. Have a range of tools prepared to support your recruitment actions

- BMO's list of achievements concerning lobbying and political influence.
- Attractive brochure.
- Membership package.
- Quotes in the media of the BMO's CEO, about the work of the organization.
- Simple membership forms (paper and online).
- Short business agenda (incidence).
- Social media.
- Short video message for social networks.
- Press columns (editorial) and specialized press in human resources.

#### 4. Develop and implement actions for recruiting afiliates

«Colleague to Colleague» visits: **Advertisement Visit companies** Informational events Organization expos ambassadors **Letters with** TV and local radio Announcements in Phone calls brochures announcements local newspapers Don't forget the new affiliation **Emails Websites** 

## Addittional promotional actions

- Trial period for membership(?);
- Free service packages for new members;
- Tax deduction from the subscription;
- Special memberships at a lower rate for accessing basic online information.



# 5. Ensure smooth integration of new members to the organization

- Welcome package: Membership package with precise information about the operation, priorities in the promotion agenda and service offer.
- Monthly breakfast meeting with Executive Directors and Board members.
- Presentation at a social event, Annual General Assembly.
- Visit the facilities of the new affiliates (personalized visit).

# 6. Develop retention policies for new members

- The first year(s) is (are) fundamental to ensure that new affiliates become loyal affiliates.
- Specific monitoring on use of services, participation in social activities, Annual General Assembly, etc.
- At least three (3) personal contacts during the first year.
- Important indicator: retention rate of new members after one (1) year.

# The Membership Cycle



## 3. Engagement

Ensure each member benefits from the products and services delivered by the FRMO

- Retention of existing members is even more important (and way cheaper) than recruiting new members
- The Key is to keep members engaged!
- How?
  - By knowing why they join;
  - By acknowledging (publicly) their joining, their contribution to the EBMO's work, their success;
  - By keeping them informed and encouraging them to ACT ie. give their views / comments / inputs on matters of their interest (social media can help); participate to meetings and events etc.;
  - By responding to their needs (segmentation) and making clear what the concrete value add of activities you organize is;
  - By measuring engagement and communicating on achievements.



## **Achieve high retention rate**

# 50 Way To Lose Your Lover

- Ignore Them
- Lie To Them
- Fail To Return Calls or Answer Letters
- Fail To Deliver On Promises
- Be Uncivil
- Increase Prices
- Don't Turn Up On Time
- Etc.

## Why focussing on membership retention?

## Two overriding reasons:

1) Cost effectiveness.

Retention between 5 and 10 times cheaper than recruitment

2) Customer loyalty a trump card.

word of mouth most important for recruitment of new members; old members are the best ambassadors

## **Benchmarking retention rate**

Year by year (signal function)

With EO's from other

countries

With competitors (if possible)

With other territorial organizations

If retention rate is below 80% there is a problem



## Some possible actions

- 1. Monitor member (whilst they are still members, in grace period, after the leave –re-engagement)
- 2. Simplify the administrative process for fees payment
- 3. Develop clear governance rules on members' rights and obligations
- 4. Develop tools to measure members' satisfaction and dissatisfaction and solve complaints
- 5. Reward members loyalty
- 6. Inform, engage, provide services to members

# 1. Monitoring members

We should know

How many and which members are leaving?

Which members will most likely leave soon?

Why are they leaving (reasons – quality info)?

## 1. Monitoring members

The CEO and management of the organization should have access to the following info:

- Every three months: List of members at risk as they are not using services; not opening emails or newsletter; no participation in activity of the organization
- Automatically generated list of members with payments due in short future.
- Bi-monthly state of play on members which failed to pay membership contributions at required time

En function of the analysis above:

"Preventive care" for non users of EBMO services via call- visitreminding service offer

# 1. Monitoring members during grace period

The CEO and management of the organization should have access to the following information:

- A list of non payers during their grace period
- Segmentation of the list on the basis of agreed criteria: size of company; sector; region.
- Complete information with internal data on user rate of EO services and data on satisfaction.
- Divide the segmented list in categories of priority by type of action (visit, call) and author of intervention (Board member, CEO, graduate staff)

 If they decide to leave use exit surveys to understand main reason for leaving and decide further actions

## 1. Monitoring former members –reengagement

## Main reason for leaving



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### Define best processes and actions for re-engagement

If retention process have been completed, after the exit survey, it is better to avoid contacting the Company for 3 to 6 months.

### After 3-6 months:

Define type of action (email, call, visit) and author of the intervention (staff, CEO, Board member, President):

- If needed, obtain more info on reasons for leaving the EBMO
- Remind the value proposition and recent EBMO achievements
- Excuses for the bad quality of the service (if applicable)
- Corrective actions to remedy mistakes (if applicable);
- If a member wants to come back, consider discounts on arrears or new registration fees (better if included in governance rules)

# 2. Making sure members pay their subscription fees: simplifying admin and payment processes

## Rule number 1: Make sure members are happy to pay

- Letter which includes the invoice, but also the benefits obtained by company by being a members
- Discounts for early payers

## Rule number 2: Simplify members'life

- On line payment system
- System for automatic billing for renovation through banks
- 2-3 years membership (with applicable discount)
- Reminder members about payment

## Rule number 3: Simplify your life

Being equipped with a CRM or system to generate automatic invoices

# 3. Develop clear governance rules on members' rights and obligations

 The CEO and the Board develop and implement governanance rules over members' obligations and rights related to membership fees.

Definition of the grace period (3 months? 6 months?)

Loss of entitlement to EBMO services delivery after non payment

Loss of voting rights

Keeping some basic information Service during X months after non paying fees

Non payment without written notification: financial sanctions (?)

Establish clear rules for exceptional non fee payment (see next slide)

# 4. Develop tools to measure members' satisfaction and dissatisfaction and solve complaints

## **Satisfaction / dissatisfaction analysis:**

- Analysis via CRM: use of services, total number of users and users per service (theme-area)
- Members' satisfaction on each service: automatically generated
- Annual satisfaction survey per member: CEO and HR (example)
- Exit survey for members which leave the organization (example)
  - Simple
  - short(max 10 min.).
  - Preferibly via phone

## **Solving complaints**

- Accessibility to receive complaints (mail-web)
- Complaints solutions
- Complaints register
- Reward, if needed

# 5. Reward loyal members

Develop and implement a system to reward members loyalty (members for 5, 10, 20 years) by:

- Discount for certain services
- Exclusivity in certain meetings events
- Exposure in press
- Awards



# The Membership Cycle



4. Renewal

Ensure members stay member of the organization over the years

- Subscription renewal should be a straightforward process. EBMOs should show professionalism by sending invoices on time and clearly communicate deadlines (CRM software is useful in that respect).
- Incentives for swift or early renewals can be put in place.
- Non payment of subscriptions should be acted upon in line with rules laid out in the Constitution. Remember: in the real world, nobody can buy a good or service for free!
- Important for the EBMO is to use the renewal period to communicate on achievements in general as well as individually for each member (what did YOU get out of the membership to our organization?)
- The process to fix the level of subscription payments should be open and transparent. Also crucial is to be clear on:
  - What services are comprised in the membership package covered by the annual subscription fee;
  - What is not comprised and is available for an extra fee (price for members vs price for non-members).

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 Exit surveys with members deciding not to renew their membership are very important to improve future retention and reinstatement efforts.

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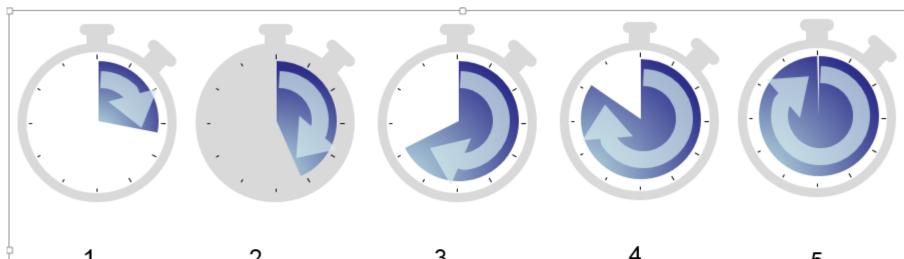


5. Reinstatement

Ensure lapsed members come back to the ERMO

- Former members may be good potential members;
- Depending on the reasons for leaving, contacts can be kept in order to assess if circumstances are again favorable for membership;
- In any case, clarity on conditions for new membership need to be clear

# Recap and Quiz - Membership cycle for EBMOs



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### **GEA Membership Benefits**

As a member, you have at your disposal, a wide range of services that include a highly qualified team of industrial Relations. Experts, who offer both labour specific legal advice and representation at discounted rates. Members also benefit from management and ratinaling on southants, who enable member organizations to profit from and embrace the culture of best practices at the workplace. GEA members also benefit from training which is carried out throughout the year. The Association gives its members and potential both in house and open house course; all are offered at discounted drates. At the Association, members also benefit from golicy documents and statistics that facilitate business practice.

Below is a detailed list of GEA's member benefits:

Labour market research and information, lobbying and advocacy.

Free guidance on industrial deputes, redundancy management, conflict management, collective bargaining agreements (with the union), iteminations, discipline management and best practices at work place. This gives the management room towork on other strategic issues as GEA handle silk issues.

Representation before the National Labour Commission is offered at discounted fees.

#### C. Projects and capacity building

These are donor funded initiatives, offered at a subsidized rate to GEA members to enable them to enhance productivity levels. They include: Booking Child Labour; Education on Occupational Safety and Health and HIV & All DS workplace programme.

GEA members are linked to a wide network allowing for coordination of HIV&AIDS related services, through the Association's Branchoffices. This allows GEA member organizations to learn from each other.

#### D. Management Consultancy Service

GEA has developed world dass products which members access at discounted competitive rates. Areas of consultancy are Executive Selection & Recruitment, Job Evaluations, Strategic Planning, HR Policy Development & Reviews, Salary Surveys, Performance Management, and Restructuring & Reviews and Occupational Safety & Health, access to sectoral/company-specific remuneration surveys, among others.

#### E. CEA Training and Capacity Building

Training is offered at a discounted rate. Some of the listed course sinclude; New Labour laws, Redundancy Management, Occupational Safety & Health, Pre-CBA training, Terminations, Discipline Management and Retirement preparations among others.

#### F. Nation-wide branchnetworksamd forum

This allows for consultation and service delivery to members wherever they are in Chana. It is good for your business interests, especially for service campaign. It also allows for business networking and partnerships within the membership.

#### G. Representation on National Committees and Boards

GEA represents its members on various policy making statutory bodies.

Please send your membership queries to the email address: gea@ghanaemployers.com

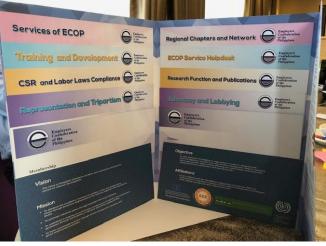
### Ghana GEA

Cambodia CAMFEBA

Philippines ECOP

Membership packs







«Join Ibec» button Visible on first page of the website Video on membership also accessible



Dowloadable brochure explaing why the EBMO is Influential; Dynamic; Ambitious & Connected

More information on Membership package + Preview of service



on Youtube



Online application
Request a quote

Preview of expert content produced by Ibec (special website / Guide)

**Testimonials** 

Contact membership officers

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BE relevant,
BE successful.
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Be a part of the

Newmarket Chamber of Commerce

Leading Businesses, Leading Communities,\*\*

## Membership brochure

## It Takes Two to Tango

We all like a mutually beneficial partnership, so what's in it for you?

### Here's the Benefits that We Deliver Through our Membership Program

A membership provides a long list of offerings that include opportunities for networking, marketing, education, training, savings, and more. We help our members make connections, meet the right people, and understand markets and trends. We can keep listing the great things we offer, but to truly understand the benefits of a membership, you just need to give it a try!

It's all waiting for you.

# Experience. Expertise. Knowledge. Access. Support. Insight.

Consistently.

#### Networking

Meet, greet, connect, collaborate and repeat. A wealth of networking opportunities enable you to promote your business and connect with the right people.

#### Peer Groups

Like your own personal board of directors and who doesn't need one of those? A powerful advisory and networking group working together to develop professionally and uncover best practices.

#### Learning

A variety of other opportunities provide access to new ideas, insight and resources to help businesses adapt and succeed in a fast-changing marketplace.

#### Savings

There's strength in numbers. Savings programs, group health & dental insurance, merchant accounts and member discounts help you and your employees save.

#### Marketing

Print and digital advertising and marketing options offer a variety of opportunities for every size of business. Our annual Home & Lifestyle Show offers a unique opportunity to engage and interact with local consumers.

#### Community

Membership builds a stronger community. Together with our members, we develop unique, civic-led, non-governmental approaches to prosperity, economic development, and social innovation.



# OUR MISSION

To support our members, the McLean County Chamber of Commerce Promotes local commerce, Advocates business perspectives, Creates relevant programs and Establishes relationships for business success.

Since 1900, the McLean County Chamber of Commerce has played a significant role in building a better and more vibrant community. While much has changed over the years, the value of membership has remained. Over 1000 area businesses and organizations have joined with us to achieve impressive goals.

To develop and achieve community objectives, we work closely with local partners and volunteers. Our Board members and Chamber staff are divided into four committees who support specific initiatives found in the Chamber's mission.



See how the Chamber's advocacy efforts, educational opportunities, networking events and member activities work, as they are highlighted under their corresponding PACE initiative in the pages that follow.



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## Membership brochure



# ESTABLISH RELATIONSHIPS

Members appreciate the opportunity to interact with other professionals and receive real-world answers. No matter what your business or organizational goals are, the Chamber is here to help you build relationships through network development, communication and enhanced awareness.





#### NETWORK DEVELOPMENT

We help you connect with the right people at events such as SPEEDnet, Business Before Hours, Business After Hours and annual featured events.



#### COMMUNICATION

Connect with us and other members through our Monday Morning Coffee e-mail, the quarterly Climate Newsletter, Member to Member online news and through Social Media efforts.

#### ENHANCED AWARENESS

A wide variety of valuable advertising and sponsorship opportunities are available to fit within any budget.



Gal Member Appreciario CommUniversit Stroker Golf Outin





# Sector Asssociation Presentation Video



# REC Public Sector campaign



# Physical tools







# Using visuals & infographics



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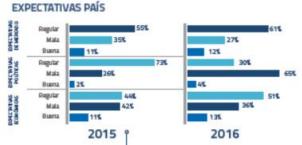
122 EMPRESAS ENCUESTADAS
DE 36 SECTORES

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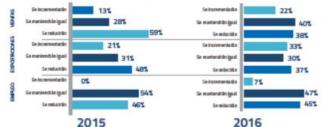
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USD 10,000 MILLONES



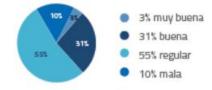
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#### EXPECTATIVAS DE LA EMPRESA







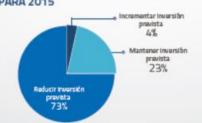
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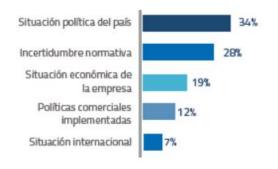
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**ECONOMIC OUTLOOK AUTUMN 2016** 

#### EU RECOVERY CONTINUING DESPITE BREXIT VOTE

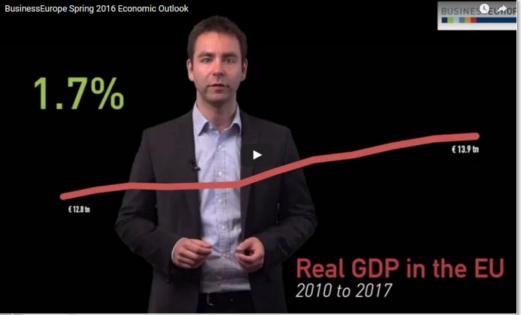
#### **ECONOMIC SITUATION**

- The modest economic recovery in the EU and the Euro Area is expected to continue
  despite substantial global and political uncertainty, in particular the UK vote to leave the EU
  in the referendum on 23 June.
- We expect growth to reach 1.9% in the EU (-0.1 pp compared to our Spring Economic Outlook) and 1.7% in the Euro Area (unchanged) in 2016. For 2017, we expect growth to slightly slow to 1.6% in the EU (-0.3 pp) and 1.5% in the Euro Area (-0.2 pp).
- Member federations have generally not revised down their GDP growth expectations for 2016
  as a result of the Brexit vote, although most expect a small fall (around -0.25 pp) in
  2017, in line with weaker exports to the UK following euro/sterling appreciation and io
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  demand.
- Consumer spending is expected to remain the key driver of growth, with EU consumption expected to grow by 2.2% in 2016 and 1.8% in 2017. In contrast, net e will make a negative contribution with EU imports (3.7% in 2016) slightly outpacing (2.8% in 2016). While growth slightly slowed to rates of around 2% at the beginning year, investment is expected to pick up in the second haif and reach 2.6% in 2016.
- Unemployment rates are forecast to continue to gradually come down (2016: 8 EU and 9.7% in the Euro Area; 2017: 8.3% in the EU and 9.3% in the Euro Are substantial country differences still persist.

#### POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

- Mitigating adverse consequences of Brexit for companies and citizens across Eu
  essential. We want to maintain as close as possible economic relations between the t
  the UK but this must not happen at the expense of the integrity of the Single I
  Therefore, cherry picking between the four Single Market freedoms and III-de
  compromises opening the way to "Europe à la carte" is not an option.
- The continuing slowdown in global trade growth increases the importance of reremaining barriers to global trade. The EU must press ahead with a number of glob trade agreements, including TTIP.
- Member states need to continue with structural reforms, focus government spend growth-enhancing investment, and, where necessary, pursue further fiscal consoil while drawing on the fiexibility within the Stability and Growth Pact.
- Given continuing Investment weakness, the EU must urgently address existing bar order to increase the attractiveness of Europe as an investment destination. We welco proposal to extend the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI) but there negretare focus on the additionality of investment and its geographic coverage.

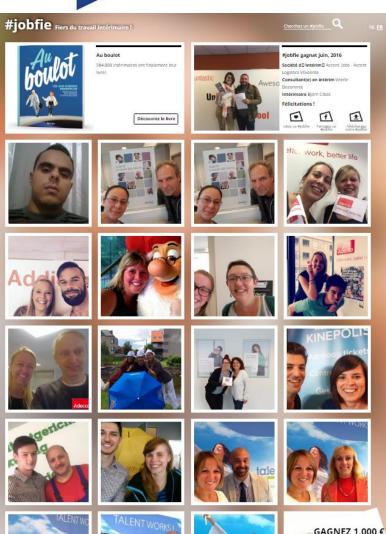
# One message, two ways to present it



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Involving members

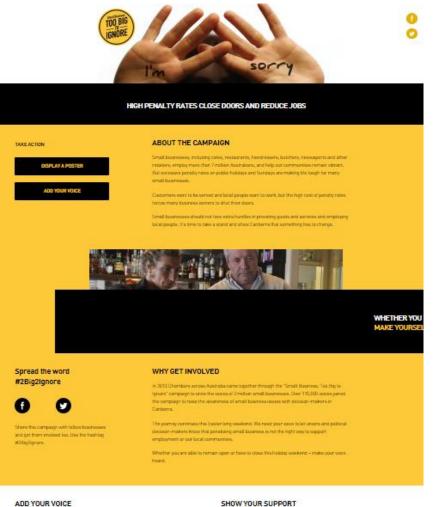




Federgon's #jobfie initiative actively engages members by asking recruitment consultants to take a selfie of themselves with the workers they are placing into jobs and uploading the pictures onto a dedicated micro-site. Participants are then encouraged to use Facebook and Twitter to share the picture.

The underlying aim of the #jobfie initiative is to showcase the crucial role that recruitment professionals play in getting people into work.

The scheme is also a great example of galvanising the membership base around some collective action that is relatively easy to deliver and also provides some tangible profile-raising benefit for the participating businesses.



# Involving members

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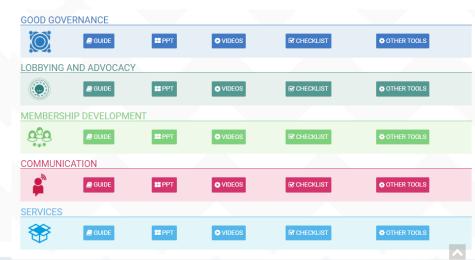




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