



## IMnI's Membership Policy

### Membership Categories

The International Manganese Institute is open to all companies, firms or organizations that meet the criteria for membership, as stipulated in its by-laws.

The by-laws denominate two categories of membership:

- Ordinary members:  
producers of manganese ore and/or Mn alloys.
  
- Affiliate members: these fall into 4 categories
  - A Traders
  - B Companies using manganese to manufacture their products (End-users)
  - C Service Providers
  - D Universities and research organizations.

### Annual Conference Attendance

Potential members are invited to attend one Annual Conference, at their expense, paying the same Conference fee as the members. The aim is to allow them to meet the IMnI membership and determine what the Institute has to offer. After this, they are encouraged to take out membership. If they chose not to become members, they cannot attend another IMnI Annual Conference until five years have elapsed, at which time they can once again sign up for an Annual Conference to review the IMnI.

Journalists and Market Research firms are considered to be potential Affiliate Members falling into Category C (Service Providers) and the above regulations apply also to them.

### Membership Fees

New members are subject to the same fee scale as that applied to existing members, unless otherwise stated.

An exception is made for Affiliate members falling into Category D: Universities and research organizations whose work brings a positive contribution to the Mn industry, in terms of market development or OHES issues. These pay no membership fee or fee to attend the Annual Conference, but are expected to be available to make a presentation once a year on new developments of interest to the Mn industry, at either the IMnI Annual Conference or another meeting, to be determined by the IMnI.