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**CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP**

1. In accordance with the provisions of section 5.1 of the AIPIO Constitution, this By-law establishes the procedure for the Board to consider of granting Corporate Membership in accordance with the provisions of section 7.3 of the Constitution.
2. Corporate Membership shall be available to commercial organisations and corporations in recognition of their organisational support of the Intelligence profession.
3. Corporate Membership shall be:
   1. Subject to the Institute’s Code of Ethics;
   2. Subject to payment of an annual fee set and maintained at a level of four (4) times the annual fee for an ordinary Member.
4. Applications for Corporate Membership must be:
   1. Supported by two Institute Members who are independent of the organisation or corporation applying for such membership;
   2. Submitted to the AIPIO Board for consideration;
   3. Consistent with the Institute’s membership policy. Any application for “Corporate Member” may be refused if in the view of the Board the acceptance of such membership would not be consistent with the Institute’s Constitution or Code of Ethics.
5. Termination of Corporate Membership:
   1. Termination may be activated at any time by written advice should continued membership be, in the view of the Board;
      1. inconsistent with the Institute’s Constitution or Code of Ethics or
      2. for non-payment of fees or
      3. for such other reasonable cause as the Board may determine.
6. Subject to section 7, the benefits and obligations derived by the Corporate Member shall be:
   1. those of ‘personal’ Members,
   2. with the additional entitlement to have a quarter page advertisement appear in the Institute’s newsletter once each membership year without charges other than any associated with the preparation of the copy should the Corporate Member not provide its advertisement in copy-ready form.
   3. preferential allocation of demonstration booths at seminars or trade exhibitions conducted by the Institute.
7. The Corporate Member shall, upon seeking membership, nominate those officers of the Corporate Member whom it may wish from time to time have attend Institute meetings on its behalf and as its representatives and shall be entitled to have up to three (3) of the so specified officers of that Corporate Member attend at any meeting (subject to the same conditions of payment as Members should an attendance charge be made).
8. The AIPIO Board shall have plenary power to advise a Corporate Member representative and the Corporate Member that the Institute does not/will not accept or continue to accept attendance of such representative. Such advice will be on the basis of reasonable grounds showing that the representative does not meet or no longer meets the standards or requirements of the Institute for Members or for other due cause.
9. The Corporate Member and Corporate Member representatives shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Institute.
10. Should an officer entitled by virtue of nomination by a Corporate Member to attend meetings seek appointment to any office of the Institute, that officer shall be required before being eligible for election, to be withdrawn as a “Corporate Member” representative, to seek Membership and pay the dues for such. Further, upon successful election, such person shall understand and act on the basis that theirs is a “personal” membership and not to be regarded in any way as acting for the “Corporate Member”.
11. AIPIO – Corporate Opportunities applies to Corporate / Group / Agency / Organisation Membership[[1]](#footnote-1)
    1. Where a Corporation / Group / Agency / Organisation has a number of members who fulfil the already established membership criteria and seek to pay the membership fees for them.
       1. Exceptions – Student Recruitment Scheme
    2. Any person nominated by the Corporation / Group / Agency / Organisation under this category is entitled to full member benefits
    3. Costs:[[2]](#footnote-2)
       1. Minimum of 5 persons – total cost saving of 20% per person saving on normal membership fee
       2. 10-19 persons – total cost saving of 25% per person on normal membership fee
       3. Over 20 persons will be by negotiation with the AIPIO Executive but an indicative saving of 30% per person is anticipated

1. This option is likely to appeal to international affiliates [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Based on full membership cost of $154 but would be proportional based on type of membership [↑](#footnote-ref-2)