

Membership Regulations

of the Swiss Startup Association from June 11th, 2021

1. Purpose

These regulations govern the member categories, admission process, rights, duties and contributions of the members of the Swiss Startup Association, as long as these are not already regulated in the statutes.

2. Member categories

The Swiss Startup Association has the following member categories:

Active members:

- Startups

Passive members:

- Investors (natural entities)
- Investors (legal entities)
- Foundations
- Public institutions (location subsidies)
- Educational institutions (small/big)
- Startup Hubs (small/big)

3. Admission process of members

New members can be admitted at any time.

The application for the membership is made by registering on the website of the Swiss Startup Association. A rejection of the membership will be communicated to the applicant in written form (email is sufficient) within four weeks. It is not mandatory to give justification for rejection.

a. Active members

If an active member is not deleted from the website within four weeks, the membership is considered as accepted. With the approved admission as an active member, the member receives voting rights.

b. Passive members

The majority of the votes of the Board shall decide on the acceptance of a passive member.

The applicant will be informed of the decision in written form (email is sufficient) within 45 days. With the approved admission as a passive member, the member does not receive any voting rights.

4. Rights of members

Active as well as passive members receive the following rights with their membership:

- a. Mention as a member on the website of the Swiss Startup Association
- b. Possibility to publicly refer as a member of the Swiss Startup Association (also by using the logo)

Active members receive the following rights with their membership:

- a. Voting rights

5. Duties of members

- a. Members undertake to comply with the statutes of the association and the binding member regulations.
- b. Members undertake to pay the annual membership fee, which is set out in this document under point 6 (Membership fees).

6. Membership fees

If the registration is made by September 30 of a year, the entire membership fee for one year is due. If registration takes place between October 1st and December 31 of a year, half of the annual membership fee is due. Membership will be invoiced after accession and subsequently at the beginning of each year.

The following membership fees will be charged:

Member categories	Active / Passive	Membership fee per year in CHF
Startups Basic	Active	25.00
Startups Premium up to 20 employees	Active	300.00
Startups Premium with more than 20 employees	Active	800.00
Investors (natural entities)	Passive	300.00
Investors (legal entities)	Passive	800.00
Foundations	Passive	1,000.00
Public Institutions	Passive	1,500.00
Educational Institutions (private)	Passive	500.00
Educational Institutions (public)	Passive	1,000.00

Startup Hubs small (up to 25 Startups)	Passive	300.00
Startup Hubs big (more than 25 Startups)	Passive	500.00

7. Friends and Supporters

"Friends & Supporters" do not fall into one of the membership categories, but can sign up for the newsletter and will be continuously informed about the activities of the Swiss Startup Association.

8. Enter into force

These membership regulations enter into force upon signature.

Winterthur, June 11th, 2021

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