

15 Member Benefits for WAPPP to Offer



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Introduction

WAPPP is a global network for the public-private partnership (PPP) profession. WAPPP operates as a for-impact association and was established in Geneva, Switzerland in 2018.

Its two overall objectives are

- To serve the interests of its members, and
- To help achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Types of membership

- Agency, government body or other entity whose prime function is to design, tender, award, implement and/or oversee PPP projects
- Individual membership both in the private and public sectors.
- Institutional membership.

WAPPP Members

- Public sector PPP units:
- Other public sector entities involved in PPP activity;
- Private Sector companies acting as strategic or financial investors in PPP projects;
- Private Sector companies involved in other PPP-related activities, such as consulting and capacity building;
- Individual consultants and PPP practitioners; and
- Academics involved in research and development in the PPP field.

WAPPP's strategic partnerships currently include

- United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia Pacific
- United Nations Conference on Trade & Development (UNCTAD), as part of the WAPPP Technical Assistance Facility
- APMG/CP3P certification program
- African Legal Support Facility
- World Free & Special Economic Zones Federation
- Dispute Resolution Board Foundation
- International Sustainability and Resilience Center
- International PPP Centre of Excellence for Policies, Laws, and Institutions
- Long-Term Infrastructure Investors Association
- The FAST Infra Group
- And many more...

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe holds an Observer Status in WAPPP.



Member benefits

Let's take a look at the 15 membership benefits that WAPPP is offering this year.

1. ONLINE MEMBER COMMUNITY

We provide opportunities to meet and engage with peers and colleagues. Our members connect to promote projects, identify business opportunities, develop partnerships, enhance career potential, submit articles, share experiences, and engage in multiple ways to achieve their professional goals and objectives.

We give you access to a 'digital home' to connect with a global network of experts, who share similar challenges and opportunities. You can participate in an open-for-all weekly call every other Tuesday.

You may start engaging with WAPPP by downloading and installing the free "WhatsApp" on your desktop and mobile phone. Once you become a member, you will receive the QR code to join your selected Chapter WhatsApp group.

2. "CHAPTERS"

We have "Regional" (Africa, CIS Countries, Europe, MENA, Latin America, North America, South Asia, and Asia Pacific) "Sectoral" (Airports, Rails, Ports, Healthcare...) and "Thematic" Chapters (Sustainability & Resilience, Women in PPP, Young PPP Professionals...).

Our Chapter Chairs organize weekly/monthly meetings with our members to discuss specific topics and to debate topics of interest to them.

You can actively participate (or even play a lead role) in one of our Chapters!

3. REGULAR EVENTS

We foster online discussions of major and minor issues related to the design, implementation, and management of PPP projects. We conduct our events in English, Spanish, and French to incubate innovative approaches and learn from each other.

We provide online forums and organize international meetings for our members and stakeholders to discuss specific topics. You can participate in or moderate one of our virtual events.

You would be able to find value in the event even after it is over!

4. HIGHLY-VALUABLE MEMBER CONTENT

We aim at keeping you updated on the latest events as well as what is in store for you in the upcoming weeks. Our members are connected to a global PPP newsfeed through our newsletters, "The PPP Times" and "WAPPP News", our blogs, our WAPPP Magazine, the Quarterly PPP Deal Update, and our social media.

We collect and publish PPP reviews, standards, case studies, and other relevant information. You can also contribute blogs, articles, and research to our publications.

You will enjoy the read!



5. MEMBERS-ONLY DISCOUNTS

Through our partnerships with other organizations, we secure advantages and special offers, which we pass on to our members. You can obtain credentials through specialized PPP Training and take advantage of special WAPPP member discounts, such as CP3P certification exam price, InfraPPP premium subscription, and many other benefits.

You can benefit from members-only discounts right away!

6. EMPOWERING YOUNG PPP PROFESSIONALS

We created the "Young PPP Professionals Chapter" for the new generation of PPP professionals to allow the PPP industry's rising stars to network with one another. WAPPP connects PPP experts with the ambitious so both can share resources and work together. Our promising young professionals may benefit from the expertise of our mentors

We empower our Young Professionals within the PPP industry!

7. MEMBER DIRECTORY

We set up a private 'Member Directory' on our website membership wall to help you create a network of your peers, to build relationships, and to promote your own services. You can meet in person or exchange emails to share best practices or support one another through personal and professional challenges.

Select the web profile option as part of your WAPPP membership. You can be featured, and browse other WAPPP members to find a PPP professional!

8. OPPORTUNITY TO ADVANCE YOUR CAREER

WAPPP membership will allow you to get acquainted with a network of PPP professionals which will help you in your career growth, either by informal mentoring or by learning before it is official news what is going on in the industry and where hiring is taking place.

Gain new professional opportunities!

9. MEMBERS AND PARTNERS' HIRING

Your WAPPP membership allows you to submit an unlimited number of vacancies on our website, and give maximum exposure to your vacancies for a targeted audience of job seekers.

Create new professional opportunities!

10. OPPORTUNITY TO WIN AN AWARD

WAPPP has launched a call for papers to be presented during the Annual Congress. The best paper selected by the WAPPP Editorial Board will win an award and a cash prize, in addition to exposure during the Congress in panel discussions.

Send an abstract!



11. OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE YOUR PROFILE (SPEAK, PUBLISH,...)

WAPPP offers to those who are interested many speaking opportunities in front of a peers and professional audience (we regularly organize webinars as well as regional chapter events). As for writing, WAPPP publishes a blog and a Quarterly Magazine and intends to publish selected papers. You can also take responsibilities within the organization and lead committees, thematic and regional chapters.

Do not hesitate and volunteer!

12. ANNUAL CONGRESS

The Annual Congress hosts international experts from within WAPPP, the United Nations Organizations, Governments, global and bilateral Development Financial Institutions (DFIs) as well as the investors, lenders, infrastructure companies, businesses, manufacturers and other "for impact" organizations.

The annual event will comprise thematic webinars, panels, PPP units' presentations and subject matter expert debates providing a unique opportunity to advance PPPs and particularly People First PPPs awareness, and solving the infrastructure gap crisis to address global challenges such as climate change, Just Transition, green energy, sustainable transport and urbanization, etc.

We look forward to seeing you among us!

13. FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS

WAPPP Fellows will get valuable exposure and experience while learning under the guidance and mentorship of experienced PPP professionals around the World. You will gain a better understanding of the PPP profession, contribute to WAPPP's overall mission, access quality data and information for their research work and benefit from a flexible working hours from home

If you are a bachelor or a master's degree holder, have an excellent command of English, both written and verbal and possess strong quantitative and analytical skills, you are eligible to WAPPP fellowship program

Want to join us?

14. CERTIFICATIONS

The World Association of PPP Units and Professionals certifies its members with a "Certificate of Good Standing" as one who complies and demonstrates his dedication to the goals of the Association through his commitment or action with WAPPP duties as well as the terms and conditions set forth by the Executive Committee. This certification is issued after accomplishing 2 years as an active member

Our members are our trusty advocates!

15. WAPPP COUNCIL OF PPP UNIT HEADS

This is an exclusive Council of PPP Unit Heads, where you will join other PPP unit heads from around the world in various events and discussions online and in person. As its name implies, its members are



the heads of the various PPP Units, which have formally acceded to WAPPP Membership. The President of WAPPP chairs it.

The Council represents 55% of the General Assembly votes!

We encourage our members to provide their feedback on our membership benefits

Our community of PPP professionals already contributes to the development and implementation of international best practices for project preparation, execution, and monitoring, and helps shape equitable, sustainable, and efficient PPPs targeting beneficiaries in need of better and more affordable public services. In becoming a WAPPP Member, your *membership* would be strengthening the global voice of public private partnership professionals.

The WAPPP community allows PPP practitioners to build a more sustainable and inclusive future that improves lives. The more you put into it, the more you will reap the benefits. Therefore, we look forward to have you participate actively in whichever way you feel most inclined to!

We are at your disposal for more information at <u>membership@wappp.org</u> or <u>fatima-zohra@wappp.org</u>

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