

PWYP-Canada Member Sign-Up Form

WHY JOIN PWYP-CANADA?

Publish What You Pay (PWYP) Canada is a Canadian coalition of civil society organisations working to make oil, gas and mineral governance open, accountable, sustainable, equitable and responsive to all people women and men in resource rich communities. As a member of the PWYP Canada Coalition, you will expand your networks and contribute to the PWYP mission and goals outlined in the PWYP Global Strategy and PWYP Canada Strategic Action Plan. Working with partners, both in Canada and globally, you will use extractive sector-related disclosure on Canadian companies so that transparency of existing information leads to increased accountability. Where transparency does not exist, members of the PWYP Canada coalition will work to open up information that is still not transparent, and that continues to limit accountability.

PWYP Canada and its members are part of the only global movement working to ensure that revenues from oil, gas and mining help improve people's lives. Publish What You Pay has extensive global reach with over 700 member organisations and 45 national coalitions. As a global movement, we are all united in our vision of a world where everyone benefits from their natural resources – today and tomorrow.

Benefits of membership:

- Collaborate with existing members to use extractive sector-related disclosures, particularly in Canada, so that transparency leads to increased accountability.
- Promote greater transparency in the Canadian extractive industries.
- Become part of a network of over 700 organisations worldwide with a strong reputation and working on various issues related to extractive sector governance and development, including environmental protection, gender, human rights advocacy, workers safety, fair taxation, and corporate social responsibility.
- Engage in thought provoking discussions on how natural resources should be managed in order to benefit people and communities in a fair and sustainable manner.
- Demonstrate a strong commitment to an open and accountable extractive sector.
- Collaborate with civil society in resource-rich communities and countries to identify ways to ensure that transparency helps foster greater accountability.

WHO CAN JOIN?

Membership is open to registered Canadian civil society organisations or community-based organisations (unless there are compelling reasons that mean this is not possible), in alignment with the PWYP Membership Standards and Governance Manual mentioned below.

WHAT DOES BEING A MEMBER REQUIRE?

Being a member of the PWYP-Canada requires support for an open and accountable extractive sector. Members do so by completing a sign-on form and agreeing to the PWYP Global Strategy and PWYP Governance Manual, notably the PWYP Operating Principles, PWYP Membership Standards, and PWYP

Expectations of Member Organisations (see below). Members of PWYP-Canada are also members of the global PWYP coalition.

Members of PWYP-Canada vary in their size and focus, and all contribute to the coalition in ways that best suit their organisation. Contributions can include financial and/or in-kind but there is no minimum contribution to become a member of PWYP-Canada. PWYP-Canada participants can support the coalition in the following ways:

- Participating in conference calls (usually held once every few months);
- Distributing PWYP-Canada publications, including policy briefs, reports or newsletters;
- Attending PWYP-Canada events;
- Assisting with outreach activities such as meetings with Federal or provincial or territorial governments, civil society members, and key partners;
- Joining the PWYP-Canada Steering Committee;
- Providing financial contributions to advance the strategic plan of the Coalition;
- Identifying collaboration and funding opportunities for the PWYP-Canada Coalition to advance its transparency and accountability objectives in the extractives sector; and/or
- Reviewing press releases, publications and other communications materials.

Members are encouraged to discuss how they intend to contribute with the PWYP Canada Director.

As a member of PWYP-Canada, members:

- Contribute and shape the PWYP-Canada Strategic Action Plan, and related strategic documents;
- Participate in planning related to implementation of the strategic plan;
- Support the implementation of the strategic plan through advice, technical support, in kind or monetary resources, networking, and advocacy;
- Advise and shape public comments, petitions, and submissions related to advancing PWYP-Canada's advocacy objectives including drafting submissions, reviewing content, and joining calls to discuss key positions; and
- Review and advise on documents and publications where subject matter expertise exists, to ensure strength and accuracy of Coalition materials.

As outlined in the PWYP-Canada Sign-on Policy and Member Review and Policy, members can join the coalition through discussions with the PWYP-Canada Director and completion of this form. New members do not need the consent of the coalition to join. Members can leave the coalition at any time, but must inform the Director and other coalition members of their decision.

Members are responsible for advising the Director of any change in contact information (ie. address, contact person). To keep information up-to-date membership information will be reviewed every three years, including: head of organization, PWYP-Canada contact within the organization, address, type of organization, and field of work.

PWYP-CANADA MEMBERSHIP SIGN UP FORM

Please read the [PWYP Global Strategy 2020-2025](#) and [PWYP Governance Manual](#), notably the PWYP Operating Principles, PWYP Membership Standards, and PWYP Expectations of Member Organisations. Complete and sign this form affirming your organisation’s commitment to these objectives and standards. This information should be sent to (email or mail):

Emily Nickerson, Director of PWYP-Canada

Email: enickerson@pwyp.ca

Mailing address: 331 Cooper St. Suite 600, K2P 0G5, Ottawa, Canada

Member information

Contact Person Name (Mr/Miss/Mrs/Ms):	Organisation Name:
Title:	Mailing Address:
Email:	
Telephone:	
Fax:	Website:

On behalf of my institution, I have read and agree with the Publish What You Pay Global Strategy, and PWYP Governance Manuel, notably the PWYP Operating Principles, PWYP Membership Standards, and PWYP Expectations of Member Organisations. I acknowledge that if my organization does not uphold the principles and commitments outlined in these documents, we may be asked to leave the Coalition.

Organisations also agree to be listed on the PWYP website and in other materials.

Name (please print)

Signature

Date

ANNEX

Policies relevant to PWYP-Canada members

- PWYP-Canada Sign-On Policy and Member Review Policy
- Travel Subsidy Policy

Relevant excerpts from PWYP Governance Manual

As outlined in the [PWYP Governance Manual](#), updated January 2019:

PWYP Operating Principles (PWYP Governance Manual, page 10-11)

1. *PWYP is a family, and as a solidarity and values-based movement we are committed to creating a safe environment and to put in place policies and systems to protect our members.*
2. *PWYP works in a spirit of honesty, integrity and openness; coalition member organisations are accountable to each other, the global coalition and to our donors.*
3. *PWYP constructively engages with other stakeholders to ensure an open debate for good governance in the extractive industries.*
4. *PWYP freely shares knowledge and information within and across coalitions to promote change in a multi-disciplinary, cross-regional and multilingual way.*
5. *PWYP respects cultural diversity and opposes all forms of discrimination; PWYP coalitions are non-partisan.*
6. *PWYP's strength lies in our members; we recognise and value our members' courage, commitment and contribution.*
7. *PWYP is a dynamic network; we strive for flexibility, responsiveness and innovation through self-questioning and learning.*
8. *PWYP membership is open to all civil society organisations that share our vision, mission and principles; we embrace partnerships to leverage our campaign.*
9. *PWYP is an independent movement and will always advocate and campaign freely, in accordance with the values we uphold.*
10. *PWYP practises what we preach in terms of financial transparency, fundraising and management, avoiding all conflicts of interest and mismanagement. PWYP has a zero tolerance policy for corruption.*

In order to support coalitions to uphold the PWYP Operating Principles, a framework of indicators has been developed in consultation with PWYP's Global Council (GC), Africa Steering Committee (ASC), Board and members. The framework reflects best practice in coalition governance and can be used to assess whether a coalition is upholding PWYP's Operating Principles. Where there is evidence that a coalition is not upholding the Principles, as assessed against the framework, the ASC and GC can provide targeted support to coalitions (as outlined in Section 8 below). The Operating Principles framework will be reviewed and revised on an ongoing basis. Updated versions will be endorsed by the GC and ASC, and made available to members.

PWYP Membership Standards (PWYP Governance Manual, page 11)

PWYP members will:

- *Advocate for an open, transparent and accountable extractive industry, to ensure that its revenues contribute to sustainable development*
- *Positively and constructively engage with other coalition members, companies, governments and relevant actors at national and regional levels*
- *Provide regular updates to all relevant parties on activities, strategies and plans related to the campaign*
- *Proactively speak out to the media and public on issues relating to an open and accountable extractive sector; promote PWYP and widely disseminate relevant and important information on the campaign.*

In addition, PWYP member organisations:

- *Must be registered civil society organisations or community-based organisations (unless there are compelling reasons that mean this is not possible).*
- *Agree to be listed on the PWYP website and in other materials.*

PWYP Expectations of Member Organisations (PWYP Governance Manual, page 12)

PWYP members expect that each member will:

- *Adhere to the letter and spirit of the PWYP Operating Principles*
- *Undertake work that advances PWYP's Vision, Mission and strategic goals to the best of its ability*
- *Share information and materials with other PWYP members, to support the effectiveness of their work*
- *Strive to maintain and enhance the reputation and profile of PWYP.*

Each member organisation has a right to:

- *Vote in elections for positions in its national coalition, where applicable*
- *Attend the Global Assembly and other relevant events of the global movement*
- *Attend meetings and other events of its national coalition where applicable*
- *Receive publications and electronic updates that enable it to remain up-to-date and effective in its work*
- *Contribute to the PWYP list serves and website by freely sharing or creating information (e.g. research reports, blogs and articles).*