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Membership application form

About your organisation

Name of organisation	Save the Children
Registered address	Rue du Trône 60, Ixelles 1050, Brussels, Belgium
Telephone	+32 (0)2 512 78 51
Website	https://www.savethechildren.net/advocacy/brussels
President	Helle Thorning-Schmidt, CEO Save the Children International (SCI)
Secretary-General/ Director	Ester Asin, Director EU Advocacy Office SCI
Contact email address	Letizia.Polizzi@savethechildren.org
Legal status & registration number	SCI AISBL Numéro d'entreprise : 0508.601.385 Info unités d'établissement : 2.229.541.238
Type of membership being applied for	<input type="checkbox"/> Full membership <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Associate membership

Short description of the work of your organisation

Save the Children is a global leading child rights organisation advocating for change to realise children's rights and to ensure that their voices are heard. We work on different policy areas, including social, migration, humanitarian and development policies.

In Europe, Save the Children is present through the EU Advocacy Office based in Brussels and national members in Denmark, Finland, Germany, Iceland, Italy, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Norway, Romania, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland. National members work through programmes and advocacy to promote the realisations of the rights of all children as set out in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). The European national members mentioned above work together as the Child Poverty Reference Group that is coordinated by the EU Advocacy Office.

The Child Poverty Reference Group promotes joint advocacy to promote children's rights across Europe through EU policies and processes. This group is currently working on the European Pillar of Social Rights as a means to further promote the implementation of the 2013 Commission's Recommendation *Investing in Children*. We are also working to ensure that the Commission monitors Member States' initiatives to tackle child poverty. In addition, we are working on the Multiannual Financial Framework post 2020. Our priorities are: promoting children's rights to adequate standards of living, social security, education, healthcare, participation, and ensuring that specific vulnerable groups of children – such as children from disadvantaged socioeconomic backgrounds; children living in institutions; children with disabilities; Roma children and children from minority backgrounds; migrant, asylum-seeking children and refugee children – are not discriminated against and, as a consequence, left behind.

We address child poverty in its multiple dimensions and with a children's rights approach.

Our children's rights approach builds on the understanding that poverty and social exclusion erode and impinge the realisation of children's rights; therefore, a children's rights approach is key to reduce, and eventually eradicate, child poverty and social exclusion.

We are fully committed to working in partnership with other civil society organisations (CSOs), the EU institutions and the Member States in order to address child poverty in Europe.

Motivation for becoming member of Social Platform

Indicate the main reasons why your organisation would like to become a member of Social Platform and how your organisation can be of added value to the work of Social Platform.

On behalf of the Save the Children's Child Poverty Reference Group, the EU Advocacy Office wants to join the Social Platform to further advance our joint work on child poverty reduction in Europe.

The EU Advocacy Office has been coordinating the work of the Child Poverty Reference Group on child poverty and social exclusion over the past five years. During this time, we have been advocating for the realisation of children's rights and the eradication of child poverty in Europe both as Save the Children and as part of coalitions, such as the Alliance for Investing in Children and the Child Rights Action Group (CRAG).

We believe that we share with the Social Platform and many of its members a common understanding of promoting social and economic rights as a fundamental component of the European project.

We often work with current members of the Social Platform (including Eurochild and Caritas Europa) and have realised that the impact of our action and asks to the European institutions and Member States is greater when we join our forces. Therefore, we would like to become a member of the Social Platform to further advancing the common goal of promoting strong social rights in Europe.

Thanks to our expertise on children's rights and our well-established European membership, Save the Children would add a strong child rights-based approach to the advocacy work of the Social Platform on poverty and social exclusion. This is even more important now that children's rights are a focus of several new EU initiatives aimed at strengthening the social dimension of the Union, including the European Pillar of Social Right with its principle 11 on children and support to children, and the Preparatory Pilot Action for a Child Guarantee.

Income

The membership fee for Social Platform members depends on the financial capacity of each organisation. Please indicate below the annual income of your organisation:

- ☐ Category 1 - annual income less than 50,000 EUR
- ☐ Category 2 - annual income between 50,000 and 200,000 EUR
- ☒ Category 3 - annual income higher than 200,000 EUR¹

Your members

Please send us a full list of your members or complete the table below, adding additional lines if necessary.

Country of establishment	Name of organisation	Responsible person	Address	Legal status
1. Denmark	Red Barnet, Save the Children Denmark	Jonas Keinding Lindholm, CEO	Rosenørns Allé 12, 1634 Copenhagen V, Denmark	Non-governmental organisation NGO
2. Finland	Save the Children Finland	Hanna Markkula-Kivisilta, CEO	Koskelantie 38, 00601 Helsinki, Finland	Registered NGO (registration number: 0116788-1)
3. Germany	Save the Children Germany	Kathrin Wieland, CEO	Teamleitung Recht auf Bildung Markgrafenstraße 58, 10117 Berlin	Non-profit association
4. Iceland	Barnaheill – Save the Children Iceland	Erna Reynisdóttir, CEO	Háaleitisbraut 24. 108 Reykjavík, Iceland	Non-governmental organisation NGO
5. Italy	Save the Children Italia	Valerio Neri, CEO	Via Volturmo, 58 00185 Roma, Italy	Non-profit association Non-governmental organisation (ONLUS)

¹ This refers to the annual income of the SCI EU Advocacy Office in Brussels.

6. Lithuania	Gelbėkit vaikus, Save the Children Lithuania	Rasa Dičpetriene, Director General	Vilniaus g. 39 / Klaipėdos g. 6 Vilnius, Lithuania	Non-governmental organisation (NGO)
7. The Netherlands	Save the Children Nederland	Pim Kraan, Director of Save the Children Netherlands	Laan van Nieuw Oost-Indië 131 2593 BM The Hague	Foundation
8. Norway	Redd Barna, Save the Children Norway	Tove Romsaas Wang, CEO	Redd Barna, Storgata 38, 0182 Oslo. Post address: Redd Barna, Postboks 6902 St Olavs Plass 0130 OSLO	Non-governmental organization (NGO); democratic membership organization
9. Romania	Organizatia Salvati Copiii (Save the Children Romania)	Mrs. Gabriela Alexandrescu, Executive President	Intrarea Stefan Furtuna No. 3, Sector 1, Bucharest	NGO/Association
10. Spain	Save the Children España	Andrés Conde Solé (CEO)	Calle Doctor Esquerdo 138, planta 2, 28007 Madrid	Foundation
11. Sweden	Rädda Barnen, Save the Children Sweden	Maria Soares Lindberg	Rädda Barnen, 107 88 Stockholm	Member based organisation – legal person
12. Switzerland	Organisation für die Rechte der Kinder – Save the Children	Sarah Sabry	Sihlquai 253, CH-8005 Zürich	non-profit association

Please include the following documents with your application:

1. Statutes of your organisation (in English or French)
2. Your organisation's two most recent activity reports

Declaration

I declare that the information provided in this form is correct, and that I accept to respect Social Platform's [statutes](#).

Name and signature: Ester Asin



Date: 4 October 2017

Please return this form to: Ilias Papageorgiou (ilias.papageorgiou@socialplatform.org)