MEMBERSHIP DETAILS AND APPLICATION FORM

AFRICAN PACKAGING ORGANISATION
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INFORMATION ON MEMBERSHIP

INTRODUCTION

The AFRICAN PACKAGING ORGANISATION (APO) is a body created in 2012 to represent and further the interests of various member packaging organisation in countries throughout Africa.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Apart from those yielded by the achievement of our objectives, over time (see below), membership of the APO will also yield the following likely benefits –

* Access to Global/ Continental packaging programs.
* Promotion of standards of packaging in your country.
* Access to global packaging networking
* National recognition of packaging in your country
* Participation in APO organised packaging “Africa Star” competitions
* Participation in regional/continental packaging exhibitions and conferences
* Improving the visibility and status of your local packaging industry.

OBJECTIVES OF THE ORGANISATION

The objectives of the organisation are best summed up by its website slogan, which is –

“A world of Quality Packaging for Africa”

Detailed objectives (extracted from the official Statute of the organisation) are as follows -

4. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the APO shall be to –

4.1 bring to the attention of African states the role that packaging can play in addressing some of the major development challenges facing the continent;

4.2 build packaging capability in Africa by promoting and maintaining the status and business of those engaged in packaging, and by the recognition of packaging as a profession, this to be achieved by international collaboration, and by establishing, publishing and disseminating educational standards and training information, examinations, and the awarding of bursaries and qualifications as may seem appropriate from time to time;
4.3 encourage the competitiveness of African exports by assisting where possible in the improvement of product presentation through effective packaging;

4.4 promote and support the packaging industry as represented by its members and to serve as a forum for discussion and exchange of knowledge between its members and other organisation or persons interested in packaging;

4.5 seek to increase the collaboration among Members *inter alia* in the areas of packaging research, development, sustainability and the promotion of the role packaging plays in society;

4.6 inform the public of the benefits to be derived from effective packaging;

4.7 by invitation and subject to the availability of resources, attempt to further the interests of packaging by assisting and supporting individual member organisations in their own countries in a manner and to an extent agreed, to –

4.7.1 lobby their Governments to formulate policies and institutional frameworks;

4.7.2 lobby their Governments to provide budgetary support;

4.7.3 where unanimously agreed by the members, lobby regional and continental organisations i.e. AU, COMESA, ECOWAS, EAC, SADC.

4.8 hold conferences, exhibitions, seminars and other functions calculated to promote the interests of packaging;

4.9 affiliate or associate itself with other packaging organisations or federations having common interests and objectives, and through local and international co-operation, to exchange packaging knowledge and expertise in an attempt to foster and develop the packaging industry in Africa;

4.10 contribute in whatever means possible to the fostering of international trade;

4.11 commit itself to the promotion of environmental; friendly packaging and management of packaging waste;

4.12 act in such other manner as the members may unanimously decide upon from time to time.

**MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY**

Membership is open to formally constituted organisations representing packaging interests, which represent the wide spectrum of the packaging industry in their countries, in any of the countries commonly accepted as being part of Africa.

Where there is any doubt in this respect, the members will rule on the matter of eligibility for membership.

It is clarified that membership is open only to representative packaging organisations and not to individual trading or profit making corporates or concerns or the like, who should be encouraged to join the representative organisations in their home countries.

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE**

The annual membership fee for 2012 is US$300. This amount is net of bank charges etc, that is an amount equivalent to $300 must be deposited in South African Rands into the organisation’s bank
account, which is maintained with Standard Bank Limited, in South Africa and all charges are for the payee’s account.

Interim Bank details are as follows:

**International Bank code is:** NEDSZAJJ

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(The Institute of Packaging (SA) are providing banking facilities until such time as a bank account in the name of the APO is operational)

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

It is requested that any organisation wishing to apply for membership complete in full the Membership Application form following (page 4), and submit it via email to:

The General Secretary of the APO at email: apo-admin@mweb.co.za

Thank you, and we look forward to welcoming you to the ranks of our members

(Application form follows)
AFRICAN PACKAGING ORGANISATION
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

NAME OF APPLICANT ORGANISATION

COUNTRY IN WHICH REGISTERED

DESCRIBE THE NATURE OF YOUR ORGANIZATION

Please specify below whether you represent the interests of packaging organisation or individuals employed in the packaging industry. This application must please be accompanied by a copy of your Constitution and Bye Laws (if applicable)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTS (mark “X” as appropriate, in block on right.) | PACKAGING ORGANISATIONS | PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER OF YOUR MEMBERS
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PACKAGING ORGANISATIONS | INDIVIDUALS | >>>>>>>>>>>

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PLEASE EXPLAIN WHAT BENEFIT YOU HOPE TO DERIVE FROM MEMBERSHIP OF OUR ORGANIZATION?

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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA
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I, the undersigned, being authorized to do so by the organization stated above, hereby apply on its behalf to be admitted as a member of the African Packaging Organization (APO). If accepted, we agree to be bound by the Statute and Bye Laws of the APO (a copy of which has been forwarded to us), and to pay upon demand the annual membership fee laid down by the Management council of the APO, from time to time.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

DATE

PRINT NAME:

SUBMISSION

Kindly submit by email or post to the General Secretary at the address provided on page 1 of this application form. You will be advised in writing of the outcome of your application.

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