Joining CIGRE and participation opportunities

Join CIGRE

CIGRE membership is open to all individuals, companies and organisations across five categories:

**Individual member I**
- Individuals involved in the Industry

**Individual member II**
- Individuals involved in the Industry, under 35 (discounted rate)

**Individual member – student**
- Free membership is offered for full time tertiary students

**Collective member I**
- Public or private companies, including power system transmission and distribution utilities, scientific and technical organisations, research Institutes and administrative bodies.

**Collective member II**
- Universities and other educational bodies

CIGRE membership applications are handled locally by CIGRE’s global network of National Committees (NCs), as shown on this map. Applications can be made directly via the directory or click and complete the form relevant to your desired membership category. Your application will then be forwarded to your local NC or handled by CIGRE Central Office.

Membership enjoy access to many resources and benefits, including:

- Free access to all CIGRE publications via e-cigre
- The bimonthly ELECTRA journal (6 per year)
- Reduced registration fees to CIGRE events
- Preferential prices for CIGRE printed publications
- Eligibility to enter CIGRE awards
- CIGRE NGN for young professionals

**Costs**

Membership costs vary by location. They start from around €100 for individuals under 35, through to Collective membership rates of €1000-3000 a year, depending on level of participation. Your costs will be provided for your approval before your membership application is finalised.

JOIN ENQUIRY

The 59 CIGRE National Committees

NC DIRECTORY
Participation opportunities

A CIGRE membership offers a wide and stimulating range of participation, problem solving and skill growth opportunities. Participation can involve formal positions within the global knowledge programme and access to a range of collaborative online tools used by the community.

Join a Working Group

Working Groups are the ‘engine room’ of CIGRE. Typically some 3700 members work across about 250 Working Groups, each contributing to one or more of the 16 domains of work, relative to how it applies locally. Joining a Working Group is a great peer to peer opportunity and can be an important step towards being elected by your peers to higher roles within the organisation.

To be eligible to join a Working Group normally requires that you are an individual or collective member. Indicating an interest in joining a Working Group is normally done online via the relevant NC website. If any difficulty in doing this is encountered then contacting the Central Office is advised.

Contribute to and attend a global, regional or local event

The Paris Session: The CIGRE Biennial Session is held in Paris, France in even number years. It is the number one global power system event in the world.

Symposia: Symposia typically are two day events attracting 500 to 800 delegates. The next Symposium, titled ‘Going off shore’, will be held in Denmark in 2019. Registration can be done online by the host country’s NC, or for international delegates, by CIGRE’s Central Office.

Colloquia: Colloquia are one day, topic specific conferences organised normally by a Study Committee in connection with a host NC, attracting 100 to 150 delegates. Registration is managed by the host country’s NC.

Local events: NCs and Working Groups in specific countries also run local events such as conferences, workshops and tutorials focused on topics of local concern. Registration is handled by the local NC or Working Group(s).

Subscribe and contribute to CIGRE publications

CIGRE Science & Engineering (CSE): CSE is a journal published by CIGRE three times per year. Its main purpose is to serve readers in a wider, less technically oriented community, where detailed technical documents are too lengthy and “heavy going” for non-technical readers. CSE is also open to and encourages articles from non-CIGRE members.

ELECTRA: ELECTRA is the bimonthly journal of CIGRE. ELECTRA focuses mainly on CIGRE papers, events and governance reporting.

Become an NGN professional

In some countries young members (under 10 years career experience) can join their local ‘Next Generation Network’ or NGN. To the inexperienced engineer new to the power industry, the prestigious CIGRE organisation can appear complex and becoming involved requires some knowledge. The NGN’s help give the next generation of professionals the guidance they need to get involved, be heard, and learn from the many experts within CIGRE.

For more on Joining and participation opportunities at CIGRE watch the short video