How can my institution become a member?

If your institution is a leading TVET organization in your country and if you wish to engage in international exchange, share good practices and expertise, then you are welcome to apply for membership. To do so, you must make sure that your institution is recognized by your government as well as your National Commission for UNESCO. Endorsement of your application by the UNESCO National Commission, for example through a letter of recommendation, is required before the application can be processed by UNEVOC.

You must make sure that your institution has the necessary infrastructure to house a UNEVOC secretariat with appropriate staff and resources, and that you can make UNEVOC publications openly accessible to your staff and visitors. In addition, you must prove that your institution has access to, or is in a position to generate, national and regional information and data on your country’s TVET system.

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Improving technical and vocational education and training through international exchange and knowledge sharing

and its Global Network
What is the UNEVOC Network?

The UNEVOC Network links institutions working in the area of technical and vocational education and training (TVET) all over the world. It fosters interaction and learning through international – south-south and north-south-south – cooperation. With its Network, UNESCO-UNEVOC aims to improve technical and vocational education and training by providing an environment for exchange and mutual assistance among TVET experts and institutions that are faced with similar challenges in different parts of the world.

The UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre acts as the hub of the UNEVOC Network and has three specific goals:

- to improve TVET by promoting and fostering international collaboration
- to develop the capacities of UNEVOC Centres and associated TVET practitioners by providing various forms of assistance; and
- to share good practices and innovations in TVET.

Who is part of the UNEVOC Network?

The UNEVOC Network is the only network of TVET institutions that works on a global level. The members that make up the UNEVOC Network are TVET institutions in UNESCO Member Countries. These institutions are called »UNEVOC Centres«. UNEVOC Centres can be TVET sections within ministries of education, national bodies dedicated to TVET policy development, TVET departments within universities, or TVET institutions at the secondary or post-secondary school level. This diversity ensures that all important stakeholders in the TVET community have their say in the global debate on technical and vocational education and training.

What advantages does an institution have by joining the UNEVOC Network?

The UNEVOC Network provides its members with opportunities to collaborate with one another at the regional and international level by organizing joint activities and face-to-face meetings. Network members can share their countries’ experiences with one another, discuss issues of common relevance and contribute news and events on the UNEVOC Network Portal. The Network increases the visibility of your institution and offers opportunities for potential partnerships with like-minded institutions.

Network members also have privileged access to UNESCO-UNEVOC’s publications and online services.

As a UNEVOC Network member, your institution will...

... actively and regularly contribute in UNESCO’s various channels in order to ensure a continued flow of knowledge and expertise. UNEVOC Centres are expected to conduct at least one local activity per year. Membership of the Network is revised regularly. In addition, UNEVOC Centres work as key country partners for UNEVOC and are expected to act as national focal points for persons and institutions at country level seeking information about UNESCO-UNEVOC.

»The MITD has been a UNEVOC member for quite some time now. And we strongly believe that Networking is one pillar that will take TVET forward. UNESCO should be praised to have created such a network which is the most important platform presently for exchanging and sharing views on TVET. Thank you UNESCO.«

Roland Dubois, Director of the Mauritius Institute of Training and Development, a UNEVOC Centre