

**FARMGATE COCOA ALLIANCE
MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP
INFORMATION**



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1. About Us

Farmgate Cocoa Alliance (FCA) is established in 2017, to advocate and lobby for a cocoa sector that is inclusive, transparent, sustainable, and that benefit farmers, business and protect our planet for the present and future generations. We believe that an inclusive approach is key to overcome common challenges in the sector.

As a result, we bring divers stakeholders together as members and align their activities to address pertinent farmers, and sustainability challenges, and to avoid duplication of actions, reduce cost, and realize even greater impacts on the ground.

1.1 Why Join?

As a member you will help make the cocoa sector more inclusive, fair, and sustainable. You will also contribute to change the way stakeholders are currently implementing their cooperate responsibilities in the sector, particularly at the begin of supply chain.

Next to that, your skills, and experience in the areas of, human rights, environment, and sustainability, will be directly transmitted at the highest policy decision making platforms in the cocoa sector, as FCA is actively participating in those platforms, some can be seen below:

Global Level – Member at:	Activities at National Level:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICCO Consultative Board • Cocoa and Forest Initiative • ISO/CEN Standard on Sustainable and Traceable Cocoa • ICCO (WCC) Organization Committee. • Actively Involved at all Cocoa Sector Initiatives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct Contact with Organised Cocoa Farmer Groups and Cooperatives • Collaborating with Government and Government Institutions in Producing Countries to Influence National Cocoa Policy • Directly Engage to Group Unorganised Cocoa Farmers
<p>WE ARE ALSO THE ORGANIZER OF GLOBAL COCOA FARMERS CONFERENCE (GCFC)</p>	

We comprehend these goals through mobilizing stakeholders who are directly and or indirectly working in the cocoa sector as members. These include farmers umbrella organizations, cooperatives, NGOs, CSOs, end consumer organizations, workers union, associations from cocoa producing and consuming countries, to work together under a common agenda to empower farmers, and to advocate the need for reform in cocoa sector.

1.2 Commitment

As a member you are committed to be part of our strive towards reform in the value chain, by sharing your experience, and resources. You are also committed to facilitate farm assistance such as, training and tools delivery, and catalyzing constructive change on how the value chain can function.

Together, we are committed to achieve the following objectives:

- To mobilize and encourage (unorganized) cocoa farmers to acquire the knowledge and skills to manage a successful business.
- To advocate for implementation of sector declarations.



- Promote and support farmers (ICCFO) involvement in sector activities at all levels.
- To advocate the need to define stakeholder's role and responsibilities to bring transparency and accountability in the sector.
- To promote cocoa entrepreneurship and encourage financing of small-scale cocoa farmers.
- To raise awareness on climate change and motivate zero deforestation in cocoa farming.
- To organize conference, workshops, and meetings to raise awareness and find solution on sector issues such as, human rights, sustainability, and environment.

1.3 Our Shared Goals

Our shared goals include improving sector ability to identify and measure best practices, reduce margins, and mitigate risks. Together we build a transparent, traceable, and sustainable cocoa sector that benefit people, business, and planet.



ADVOCATE FOR SECTOR REFORM



COCOA FARMING ENTREPRENEURSHIP



ENHANCING COCOA SUSTAINABILITY

1.4 Member Benefits

- Strengthen your pledge for sustainability, human rights, and environmental issues.
- Have access to FCA data platform of field actions including past and current activities.
- Collaborating opportunities to avoid duplication, inefficiencies and create greater impact.
- Play leadership role in sector priorities to develop sector common sustainability learning.
- Strengthen relationships and improve understanding with others in the sector.
- Be part of a bigger movement to achieve SDGs in the cocoa sector.
- Access to our real-time data platform.
- Engage in dialogue and share learning derived from practical experience.
- Contribute to greater impact at farm level through aligned programs.
- Attend our Global Cocoa Farmers Conference (GCFC), and our advocacy and learning workshops in producing and consuming levels.

1.5 Membership Fees

The annual FCA membership fee defines in two (2) Members Category MC. MC1 Member are non-profit organization / enterprise from the north such as: NGOs, Civil Society, Workers Unions and Consumer Associations. Annual membership fee ranges from **€ 1.000** to **€ 6.000**, based on their annual income.

MC2 Membership are non-profit organization/enterprise from the south which includes, Farmers Umbrella Organizations, NGOs, Civil Society, Worker Unions, Associations and Cooperatives. Annual membership fee ranges from **€ 300** to **€ 1000**, based on annual income.



Membership fee is used to fund and facilitate successful implementation and functioning of the day to day running of the alliance and its activities and national and international level.

MINIMUM ANNUAL FINANCIAL CAPACITY MC1 (North)	MC1 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE	MINIMUM ANNUAL FINANCIAL CAPACITY MC2 (South)	MC2 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE
€0 – 50.000	€1.000	€0 – 10.000	€300
€50.000 – 100.000	€1.500	€10.000 – 20.000	€600
€100.000 – 200.000	€1.800	€20.000 – 40.000	€800
€200.000 – 300.000	€2.000	€40.000 – 60.000	€1.000
€300.000 – 400.000	€2.500	€60.000 – 80.000	€1.500
€400.000 – 500.000	€3.000	€80.000 – 100.000	€1.800
€500.000 – 600.000	€4.000	€100.000 – 120.000	€2.100
€600.000 – 700.000	€5.000	€120.000 – 150.000	€2.400
€700.000 – 1.000.000	€6.000	€150.000 – 300.000	€2.800

Become a member now, and have access to our exclusive benefits and opportunities, essential for lasting transformation towards greater impact in the cocoa value chain.

