

CHARTER

as decided on the 1st Conference of the National Associations for the Club of Rome
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Motivations: To think globally, to act locally

Criteria of acceptance

1. Each national association shall share the basic concern of the Club for the future of humanity.
2. It shall adhere to the three basic concepts of the Club namely
 - the need for global thinking and local action
 - the importance of the long term perspective
 - the need to cultivate the holistic approach and understand the interaction with the world problematique.
3. The Associations shall be pluralistic, and not be dominated by any single political or ideological approach.
4. They shall be "not for profit" bodies
5. To be recognized as an association for the Club of Rome, it shall be formally accepted by the Executive Committee of the Club.

Characteristics and Functions of National Associations

1. Each Association shall approach the global problem in terms of the country's own cultural values and thus contributes to the general understanding of the human condition on the planet.
2. It shall also give due attention to the cultural identity and characteristics of particular regional ethnic groupings within its boundaries.
3. It shall have the duty to disseminate locally to decision-makers academics, industrial circles and the public at large the reports, findings and attitudes of the Club. This can be done through the media, by seminars or other appropriate means.
4. It shall contribute experience, creative ideas and proposals, towards the understanding of the global problems, to the Club of Rome through the international secretariat.
5. It will provide a forum as a focus point in its country for discussion of the global problems.
6. It shall transpose the global thinking of the Club so as to relate the local understanding.
7. It may, from time to time, initiate projects of study or action on behalf of the Club of Rome or as contributions to ongoing projects of the Club, with the agreement of the President or the Executive Committee.

8. It may convene meetings for international dialogue, in agreement with the Club of Rome.
9. It shall interact with other National Associations for the Club, and exchange information and experience, through periodic meetings, by participating in any newsletter which may be created, and by direct correspondence.
10. It shall contribute to the activities of the Club, morally, intellectually, logistically and financially as appropriate.
11. The National Association shall be self-supporting and financed in such a way as to ensure real independence.
12. The Association may be related formally to one or several bodies in its country, which share the objectives of the Club in whole or part and should in any case co-operate with such bodies.
13. The Association should have an easily identifiable leadership and be easy to contact (published telephone number, etc ...)
14. It shall encourage the establishment of educational programmes to identify the problems and stimulate research in the fields of future economic and social development and organization, particularly when different types of problems interact.