



**T**hank you for your interest in becoming a *Direct Member* of the World Council of Credit Unions. In pursuit of its vision to improve people's lives through credit unions and other financial cooperatives, World Council's mission is to be the world's advocate, development platform and good governance model for its members.

National credit union organizations and regional confederations of national organizations of credit unions and other financial cooperatives are eligible to join World Council as direct members. The annual membership dues are payable in U.S. dollars and are based on the amount of assets reported by the affiliated credit unions/financial cooperatives. The board of directors reviews and votes upon new membership applications.

Please fill out the following membership application as completely as possible. If a question does not apply to you, write NA (Not Applicable) in the space provided. If you require more space, attach additional sheets.

## Application Checklist

In addition to the membership application, all submissions must include the following items:

1. A letter of intent from your board of directors requesting World Council membership and certifying that:
  - a. The application was approved by a majority of your directors
  - b. Your organization will abide by the **World Council Bylaws** and the **WOCCU International Operating Principles**
  - c. Your organization will pay its dues in full
2. The bylaws of your organization
3. The financial statements of your organization for the last three years including balance sheets and income statements audited by an accredited accounting firm

The application is complete when your organization pays the annual dues in full.

## Submitting the Application

**This PDF is editable.**

Please fill out and save the application form. Send an email to [CEOoffice@woccu.org](mailto:CEOoffice@woccu.org), attaching the application PDF and all other required materials. If email is not an option, mail it along with the supporting materials to the address below.

Applications and inquiries should be directed to:

World Council of Credit Unions  
Attn: Office of the President & CEO  
P.O. Box 2982  
Madison, WI 53701-2982 USA  
Email: [CEOoffice@woccu.org](mailto:CEOoffice@woccu.org)

## 1. General Information

What is the name of your organization?

When was your organization founded?

How would you best describe your organization?

Regional confederation

Central Credit Union

National association / league / federation

Foundation

Credit union / financial cooperative

Other (please specify):

Are there other organizations representing credit unions / financial cooperatives in your country or region (if a regional confederation)? Yes No

If yes, please list the names of these organizations:

If yes, please describe your relationship with these organizations:

Are there any other groups your organization is affiliated with nationally or internationally? Yes No

If yes, please list the names of these organizations:

Please list any outside sources of funding your organization is using for specific strategic projects or partnerships:

## 2. Services Provided by Your Organization (check all that apply)

### Trade Association Services:

Representation/advocacy

Promotion

Information

Education

Other (please specify):

### Financial Services:

Lending

Insurance

Central finance facility (liquidity pooling & management)

Investments in other businesses (e.g. "multi-purpose" cooperative) Other (please specify):

### Specialized Services:

Training

Technical assistance

Marketing

Deposit guarantee/stabilization

Rating

Monitoring / supervision / regulation

Other (please specify):

**Any other services not mentioned above (please specify):**

### 3. Affiliated Credit Unions / Financial Cooperatives

Please fill out the following table with statistical data on credit unions / financial cooperatives affiliated with your organization. Please do not include statistics for non-affiliated credit unions / financial cooperatives.

Indicator	As of
Number of affiliated credit unions / financial cooperatives	
Number of members:	
Total shares (US\$):	
Total savings (US\$):	
Total loans (US\$):	
Total capital reserves (US\$):	
Total assets (US\$):	

### 4. National Credit Union Data

What is the total number of credit unions in your country (both affiliated and non-affiliated)?

What is the total number of credit union members in your country?

What are the total combined credit union savings and shares in your country (US\$)?

What are the total credit union loans in your country (US\$)?

What are the total credit union reserves in your country (US\$)?

What are the total credit union assets in your country (US\$)?

What is the percentage of credit union market share in retail savings deposits in your country?

### 5. Regulatory Environment

What is the name of the institution(s) that supervises credit unions / financial cooperatives?

Under what type of law is your organization regulated (e.g. banking, credit union, financial cooperative law, etc.)?

## 6. Organizational Contacts

Address of the organization:

Telephone:

Email:

Website:

Title	Name	Phone	Email
Board Chairman			
Chief Executive Officer			
Proposed World Council Delegate(s)			
Marketing/Media/PR			
Policy (regulation and legislation inquiries)			
Dues/Accounting			
Executive Assistant			