

## NCASTE Membership Rules

### Association Objective:

Registered in Norway, NCASTE is a non-profit international organization. It is a professional social platform that is committed to promoting scientific and technological exchanges and cooperation between Norway and China. The association is open to enterprises and institutions as well as individuals in the science and technology sector as well as relevant industries and social organizations from two countries.

The objective of this association is, by organizing various activities for members and other stakeholders under the two countries' legal frameworks, to enhance mutual trust, enrich the network, tap market potential, and promote scientific and technological innovation cooperation, thereby achieving mutual benefit and win-win opportunity.

### Association Activities:

The Association will regularly hold various science and technology activities and exhibitions, and invite members to engage and interact.

At the same time, the association will assist members in market, investment, M&A, trade, partnership building, and other business activities as well as consultancy services in regulation, policy and business development, etc.

What's more, the association will customize technology match-making activities at the request of members to create a safe and regulated environment for technology incubation and cooperation.

In addition, the Association will also provide international scientific and technological exchanges, talent exchange, and training for members or other social groups and individuals in terms of energy, fishery, shipping, offshore, carbon, climate, infrastructure, and others at request.

### Member Category:

#### 1. Corporate members:

- Applicant Conditions:

Enterprises and organizations with independent legal persons registered in Norway or China

- Entitled rights:
  - 1) Participate in various activities organized by the association with opportunities as speakers.
  - 2) Apply to the association for customizing match-making activities and seeking suitable partners based on the expectations of members.
  - 3) Participate in international exchanges and training organized by the association.
  - 4) Have the privilege to invest in the Norway-China Science and Technology Development Foundation, seeking innovative cooperation and diverse business investment models through the NCASTE platform.
  - 5) Have their logo and a short description of their organization on NCASTE's official website.

6) Individual member benefits for up to 3 up to 10 representatives of their organization.

- Annual membership fees:

USD 300.- (5 staff and less), USD 500.- (5-50 staff), USD 750.- (50-200 staff), USD 1000.- (more than 200 staff)

## 2. Individual membership:

- Applicant Conditions:

Natural persons holding a Norwegian or Chinese passport with certain expertise and skills other than school students.

- Entitled rights:
  - 1) Participate in various activities organized by the association with opportunities as speakers.
  - 2) Apply to the association for customizing match-making activities and seeking suitable partners including potential investors based on personal needs.
  - 3) Participate in international exchanges and training organized by the association.
- Annual membership fee: USD 50.-

## 3. Student membership:

- Applicant Conditions:

Current students registered in Norway or China (bachelor's degree and above)

- Entitled rights:
  - ✓ Participate in various thematic activities organized by the association with opportunities as speakers.
  - ✓ Apply to the association for customizing match-making activities and seeking suitable partners including potential investors based on personal needs.
  - ✓ Participate in international exchanges and training organized by the association.
- Annual membership fee: USD 25.-

## Membership Application Process:

Fill out the application form online - Membership approval - Issue e-invoice after approval - Pay membership dues as per the invoice.

## Utilization of Membership Fee:

Membership fees are used exclusively for organizing various membership activities and other public welfare social activities as well as association operation and personnel-related expenses. The association itself does not seek any commercial interests.