

Membership Categories of GAATO

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ABBREVIATIONS: AT refers to Assistive Technology RE refers to Rehabilitation & Rehabilitation Engineering

Full membership organisation	Candidate Member Organisation	Affiliate Organisation
<p>Full membership is open to membership organisations that can demonstrate the following characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AT/RE is the main area of interest • Have an explicit not-for-profit interest in advancing AT/RE. • Are membership organisations themselves; members may be individual AT professionals or independent institutions/organisations with interests in AT/RE from industry, services, research, academia, consumers of technology, national or international funders, or a mixture of these. • Have at least 50 registered and voting members. They have an elected board that administers the organisation. • Have a minimum of ongoing activities (e.g. training activities, conferences, publications, other member services). • Represent AT/RE interests nationally, regionally, or globally to decision-making bodies and related activities. <p>Full member organisations have voting rights at the General Assembly and can candidate members for the Board of Directors.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidate status is open to organisations that have the ambition to become full member organisations but that do not yet meet all the criteria for full membership. <p>Candidate-member organisations do not have voting rights at the General Assembly.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to any interested membership organisations that conduct activities surrounding AT/RE, even if these are secondary to other activities. <p>Affiliate members do not have voting rights at the General Assembly.</p>

- Full detailed criteria for membership is available from the GAATO Secretariat: secretary@gaato.org
- Please use the quick check criteria above to see if your membership organisation is likely to qualify for membership.
- Please note that all membership applications are subject to GAATO Board approval.
- We look to welcome organisations from around the world to advance the field of assistive technology and look forward to hearing from your organisation.