

## Membership Fee Regulation

According to § 5 paragraph 2 of the bylaws of the

### BioRN Network e.V.

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On December 7, 2022, the members' assembly decided on the following membership fee regulation:

1. The ordinary members of the association are under obligation to pay membership fees (regular fee).

Ordinary members must pay a membership fee for each calendar year as follows:

a) Hightech-StartUp*	EUR	12,00
b) Enterprises with up to 9 employees	EUR	850.00
c) Enterprises with 10–49 employees	EUR	1,700.00
d) Enterprises with 50–249 employees	EUR	3,000.00
e) Enterprises with 250-1000 employees	EUR	5,500.00
f) Enterprises with 1001 or more employees	EUR	10,000.00
g) Chambers of Industry and Commerce	EUR	5,500.00
h) Technology parks and incubator centers	EUR	2,000.00
i) Public universities and research institutes	EUR	3,500.00
j) Other corporate bodies (e.g. municipalities, organizations, associations)	EUR	2,000.00
i) Supporting members (natural persons) – without eligibility to vote	EUR	starting with 500,00
j) Honorary members (natural persons) – without eligibility to vote		without the obligation to pay membership fees

2. In deviation from item 1, the executive board may agree with a member on an individual fee that differs from the regular fee in either direction (individual fee). A fee below the regular fee is to be agreed on only in justified cases, for instance if the regular fee were to mean a disproportionate burden for the member.
3. Associate members are not under obligation to pay a membership fee.
4. The membership fees are due for payment each year on March 31. For the purpose of reducing administrative expenditures, the members are strongly encouraged to supply direct debit authorizations. Members who do not supply such a direct debit authorization are responsible for prompt payment of the fee.
5. Should a member join or resign during the calendar year, the membership fee is to be paid pro rata temporis, calculated up to the beginning of the month in which the member joins or resigns.

6. According to § 4 paragraph 3 of the bylaws, a member may be deleted from the list of members by decision of the board if he is in arrears with payment of the membership fee despite two reminders. Deletion may not be resolved until three months have passed since the second reminder was sent. The member must be informed of the deletion.
7. These membership fee regulations come into force on January 1, 2023, and take effect with business year 2023. The membership fee regulations may be amended at any time by a resolution of the members' assembly.
8. The company must be an independent unit in the sense of company law. For the calculation of the number of employees, the entire company unit benefiting from BioRN membership is measured. Geographic sub-units or subsidiaries are therefore not eligible for the calculation of the number of employees.

\* Definition of Hightech-StartUp: Irrespective of the number of employees, companies that

- are not older than 3 years in the business year in question
- are active in the field of biotechnology/medical technology/digital health and use at least one biotechnological/medical technology/digital health process to produce goods or provide services and/or conduct biotechnological/medical technology/digital health R&D.