



**Seed Association  
of the Americas**

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



# ABOUT US

The Seed Association of the Americas (SAA) is a non-governmental organization that fully represents the interests of the seed industry within the Americas.

## OUR MISSION

To promote and facilitate seed business and trade within the Americas and globally.

## OUR VISION

The Seed Association of the Americas is the globally recognized leading authority, representing with a **unified voice** all common interests of the seed industry in the Americas.

## OUR GOALS



Promote and facilitate seed business and trade within the Americas and globally.



Promote the discussion between the public and private sector of different countries towards harmonization of legislations in order to promote growth of the industry and adoption of new technologies.



Contribute to achieve a better understanding of the importance of training and education as a vital support for future farming & agriculture.



To facilitate the regional attendance at organizations like UPOV, ISTA, FAO-IPPC and OECD.



To strengthen relations and discussions with other seed associations such as ISF, Euroseeds, AFSTA & APSA.

## WHAT WE DO

Represent the Americas' seed industry globally.

Promote the seed sector in a transparent and coordinated manner.

Receive concerns from our partners and members in order to find solutions to them.

Make permanent surveillance of the interests of our partners.

Work with the official sector to address the constraints faced by the industry in the seed trade.

Support national seed associations with common interests and goals.

Position & communicate assertively to our stakeholders along the value chain.

Promote SAA as an exchange information hub.

Working groups with a formal structure, agenda and associated budget.

# OUR MEMBERSHIPS

## BENEFITS OF BEING A MEMBER

By becoming a member of the American Seed Association you will have plenty of opportunities to share experiences, achieve knowledge, support, networking and trading possibilities for you and other members of your association.

As a member of the SAA you can participate in activities of the seed industry, access to specific and exclusive information about developments on seed policies, plant breeding, intellectual property rights, seed treatment and phytosanitary matters, among other interests related to the seed industry.

## MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION

### Ordinary Member

Only one national association representing the majority of common business interests of all the seed industry within a country located within The Americas, provided that such organization supports the mission of the Association, is willing to adhere to the Association's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and will pay the requisite.

### Associate Member

A company or business entity involved in the seed industry within a country or region located within The Americas, provided that such organization supports the mission of the Association, is willing to adhere to the Association's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and will pay the requisite dues and is a member of the national association.

### Affiliate Member

Any entity or individual not eligible to serve as an Ordinary Member or an Associate Member, that supports the mission of the Association and that is willing to adhere to the Association's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and will pay the requisite dues.

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Type of membership: _____	Firm will be represented in SAA by: _____
Company name: _____	Address: _____
Mailing address: _____	Representativ's e-mail: _____
City: _____	Representative's phone: _____
Zip code: _____	Representative's title: _____
Country: _____	Comments: _____
Phone: _____	_____
E-mail: _____	_____
Website: _____	_____

Application date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_