

AGUNE – Terms and Conditions of Membership for Applicant Universities



1. Eligibility and Admission

- 1.1. Membership is open to national and international higher education institutions (HEIs) that demonstrate a serious commitment to academic quality, transparency, and international collaboration.
- 1.2. As a prerequisite for full membership, applicant HEIs must demonstrate a successfully completed accreditation, certification, or evaluation process by ASIIN.
- 1.3. Institutions undergoing a procedure may be granted Candidate Member status until successful completion.
- 1.4. Admission is subject to formal application, acceptance of these Terms and Conditions, and approval by the ASIIN Consult Advisory Board.

2. Rights and Benefits of Membership

- 2.1. Members shall have access to:
 - ASIIN training and educational services at preferential rates.
 - Participation in annual AGUNE conferences and webinars.
 - Exclusive networking opportunities with international experts and peer institutions.
 - Access to ASIIN communication platforms for the exchange of news and expertise.
 - Opportunities to participate in pilot projects, workshops, and expert groups.
- 2.2. Members may be invited to provide academic or professional experts for quality assurance procedures.

3. Obligations of Members

- 3.1. Members must uphold the core values of ASIIN, including transparency, academic integrity, and commitment to quality assurance.
- 3.2. Members must not misrepresent their status in the network, nor use the network affiliation for commercial or misleading purposes.
- 3.3. Members are expected to respect and actively contribute to the AGUNE quality discourse and activities.

4. Confidentiality and Data Protection

- 4.1. Any materials, resources, or correspondence intended for AGUNE members must not be shared with non-members without explicit consent from ASIIN.
- 4.2. Members may use shared materials for internal purposes only, unless otherwise agreed in writing.
- 4.3. Member contact details will not be disclosed to third parties without written consent of the concerned member and ASIIN.

5. Posting and Use of the Network Platform

- 5.1. Each member institution is solely responsible for any content it posts or shares on the AGUNE network platforms.
- 5.2. ASIIN does not assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or legal consequences of any member-generated content.

6. Fees

- 6.1. Member institutions are required to pay an annual membership fee to support the coordination and activities of the AGUNE network.
- 6.2. The standard annual fee is 2,000 EUR.
- 6.3. For institutions joining after July 1st, the fee is 1,000 EUR for the rest of the respective calendar year.
- 6.4. Fee structures may be revised periodically by the ASIIN Consult Advisory Board. Members will be informed of any changes in advance.

7. Membership Renewal

- 7.1. Membership in AGUNE is automatically renewed on an annual basis unless the member institution provides written notice of withdrawal at least three months prior to the renewal date.
- 7.2. An invoice for the membership fee for the upcoming year will be issued in advance. Continued participation in AGUNE activities constitutes acceptance of the renewal.
- 7.3. Members are responsible for ensuring timely payment of renewal fees. Failure to pay may result in suspension or termination of membership.

8. Modifications and Termination

- 8.1. ASIIN reserves the right to update these Terms and Conditions. All members will be informed of changes and required to confirm acceptance to maintain membership.
- 8.2. A member may withdraw from AGUNE with a written notice of three months.
- 8.3. ASIIN Consult reserves the right to suspend or terminate membership in case of:
 - Non-compliance with the Terms and Conditions.
 - Reputational damage to AGUNE.
 - Non-payment of membership fees after due warning.

9. Governing Law and Jurisdiction

This agreement is governed by German law. Any disputes arising out of these Terms shall be settled by the competent courts in Düsseldorf, Germany.

Düsseldorf, November 11th, 2025