



## **What is FEAPDA and what can it do for you?**

The European Federation of Associations of Teachers of the Deaf (FEAPDA)  
Fédération Européenne des Associations de Professeurs de Déficients Auditifs

FEAPDA was established in 1969 to promote outcomes for children and young people who are deaf and hard of hearing through:

- continuing professional development and training for all professionals working with deaf children, young people and their families
- supporting and disseminating research into deafness and effective models of support
- representing the interests of these children and young people.

## **Who can be a member of FEAPDA?**

From 2020, membership requirements for FEAPDA have been revised to reflect the changing nature of deaf education in Europe and to welcome new members.

Membership of FEAPDA is now open to Organisations, Institutions, Federations and Associations across Europe involved in the academic education and broader development of deaf and hard of hearing children and young people (including schools and centres of excellence and supporting networks for deaf education or working in related fields including universities and higher education institutions).

## **How much will membership cost?**

FEAPDA requires an annual subscription which is currently 2 euros per professional member of the affiliated organisation. So, if there are 20 members in your organization you will pay 40 Euros, for example.

The annual total of the subscription is fixed by the council. The price of membership is capped for larger organisations.

For accurate information for the cost of membership for your organisation please contact the treasurer at: [treasurer@feapda.eu](mailto:treasurer@feapda.eu)

## **How is FEAPDA governed? Will my organisation be able to contribute to decision-making?**

The President of the organisation is elected and presides over the council.

The council comprises representatives of all the countries where organisations are members of FEAPDA. Each country is entitled to 2 representatives. Council members will be chosen by the member organisations in that country. A third delegate shall be allowed when the membership in the country exceeds 500 FEAPDA members.

Council members are normally elected for a four year period.

### **What are the benefits of becoming a member?**

There are many advantages to being a FEAPDA member. These include:

- Participation in and contributions to specialist training events and the FEAPDA congress; membership brings reduced fees. The congress takes place every 2-3 years in a member country
- Involvement in research projects
- Access through networking with colleagues across Europe with the possibility of developing school exchanges for teachers
- A regular newsletter

### **How can my organisation/institution become a member?**

Applications for membership can be submitted via the website. A contact form can be found on the website. On completion, the form will be forwarded to the council members for approval.

### **Where can I find further information?**

Further information about FEAPDA and about the next congress which will take place in Tallin in September 2022, can be found on the FEAPDA website: [www.feapda.eu](http://www.feapda.eu)