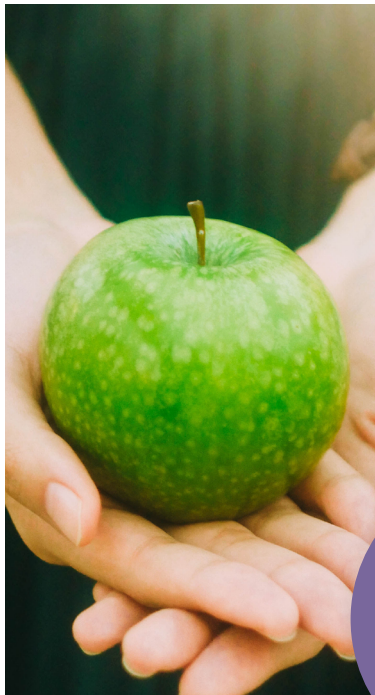


CIOPORA

**Membership program 2023**  
**Breeder, title-holder, affiliate and  
association members**



*Join our  
global  
breeder  
community!*

International Community of Breeders of  
Asexually Reproduced Horticultural Varieties



## JOIN CIOPORA

CIOPORA is based on the shared belief in the value of innovation for the green sector and the importance of Intellectual Property (IP) for plants for the sustainable development of horticulture. Since 1961, CIOPORA has been UNITING BREEDERS behind its mission to advance and harmonize the systems of IP protection for plants worldwide, including Plant Breeders' Rights, Patents, Plant Patents and Trademarks.

CIOPORA membership is open to breeders and title-holders of asexually reproduced horticultural varieties, comprising the 2/3 of its member base, their associations, horticulture professionals active in the area of IP asset commercialization, and IP lawyers and law firms.

**Join our global breeder community and take advantage of the exclusive benefits CIOPORA offers to its members:**



### SHAPE THE FUTURE

- ✓ Let your voice be heard by policymakers with CIOPORA advocating for a better protection of your IP rights
- ✓ Use your voting rights to define CIOPORA positions and priorities
- ✓ Contribute to finding effective solutions for the persisting problems in the area of IP for plant innovations



### STAY CONNECTED

- ✓ Foster new business contacts
- ✓ Participate in experience exchange on IP and enforcement with plant breeders and IP experts from 20+ countries
- ✓ Take part in the crop-specific projects and enforcement actions with the CIOPORA Crop Sections and Working Groups



### KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

- ✓ Learn about best practices in IP for plants from CIOPORA's global network of IP experts
- ✓ Enjoy a 50% member discount on all CIOPORA and CIOPORA Academy events
- ✓ Receive full access to CIOPORA publications, PBR factsheets, newsletters, and reports



## WHAT WE DO

CIOPORA works on continuous improvement and harmonization of systems of Intellectual Property (IP) protection for plants worldwide:

### IP ADVISORY

CIOPORA works on strengthening the systems of IP protection for plants by advising governments on the content of laws and effective enforcement.

### REPRESENTATION

CIOPORA represents plant breeders, promotes and lobbies for their interests before international organizations, governments and industry groups.

### MONITORING

CIOPORA continuously monitors and reports on the global developments in IP for plants as well as the areas of biotechnology and biodiversity.

### EDUCATION ON IP

CIOPORA educates all actors of the horticultural value chain on IP for plants and its economic significance via the CIOPORA Academy program.

### COORDINATION

CIOPORA initiates, runs and coordinates member projects and actions, including enforcement, and facilitates networking and business development.

### COMMUNICATION

CIOPORA compiles, communicates and promotes comprehensive positions on IP and informs its members about important developments in IP worldwide.

### *Why join CIOPORA? Three reasons for you and your boss:*

1. **WE ADVOCATE:** even if you are not a member yet, we are already working to improve the IP protection of your varieties. Join us to support our work!
2. **WE CONNECT:** every now and then you might need legal advice from one of the handful experts on IP for plants in the world - many of them are our members.
3. **WE EDUCATE:** IP for plants is an extremely technical subject. Learning and knowing more about IP with CIOPORA strengthens your business in the long run.



## TESTIMONIALS



**Wendy Cashmore, Representative of Trajectory 762 Limited, New Zealand:**

*"Plant breeding is a diverse and ever-evolving business. CIOPORA enables its members to be at the leading edge by fostering crop sections and championing learning on IP for plants through the CIOPORA Academy. Sitting directly at the table with international policymakers, such as UPOV and government legislators, CIOPORA cultivates a passion for plant innovation and its effective protection worldwide."*



**Erin Wallich, Research Program Manager at Summerland Varieties Corp., Canada:**

*"Our small breeding company is actively creating processes for enforcing IP rights for our protected varieties around the world, which is a major challenge given the complexity of our industry and the varied laws of each country. CIOPORA provides access to a global network of highly knowledgeable professionals who are involved in similar activities and willing to share their valuable experience and best practices."*



**Michael Danziger, Chair of the Board at Danziger "DAN" Flower Farm & CEO at Danziger Innovations, Israel:**

*"In its dialogue with growers and trade, CIOPORA continuously stresses the importance of new and improved varieties for the sustainable development of the green sector. Furthermore, CIOPORA represents our interests before CPVO and UPOV and advocates for such important issues as regulation of DUS testing, the use of DNA in enforcement activities, and Essentially Derived Varieties."*



## MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

**Find a perfect match for your membership:** CIOPORA offers several membership categories depending on the area of activity. The 2/3 of the CIOPORA members are breeders or/and title-holders of asexually reproduced horticultural varieties. All membership applications are subject to approval by the CIOPORA Board.

CATEGORY	WHO QUALIFIES?	VOTING RIGHTS	CONTRIBUTION
<b>BREEDERS</b>	An individual/company active in breeding of asexually reproduced horticultural varieties	✓ Full voting rights	✓ Basic fee ✓ Turnover-based fee
<b>TITLE-HOLDERS</b>	An individual/company holding at least one Plant Variety Right, Plant Patent or Patent for an asexually reproduced horticultural variety	✓ Full voting rights	✓ Basic fee ✓ Turnover-based fee
<b>AFFILIATE MEMBERS</b>	An individual/company active in the area of IP protection for asexually reproduced horticultural varieties and not fulfilling the requirements of other member categories	✓ Full voting rights	✓ Basic fee ✓ Turnover-based fee
<b>ASSOCIATIONS</b>	An association of individuals and/or companies whose goals and positions coincide with those of CIOPORA	✓ Full voting rights ✓ One vote per association	✓ Basic fee ✓ Member-related fee



## CONTRIBUTION SCHEME

### BREEDER, TITLE-HOLDER & AFFILIATE MEMBERS:

CIOPORA contributions by breeder, title-holder and affiliate members consist of a basic fee and a turnover-related fee. The turnover-related fee\* is calculated on the basis of the company's annual income from breeding and/or royalties as well as from any other activity related to asexually reproduced horticultural varieties.

Category	Annual turnover	Basic fee	Turnover related fee	Annual total 2023
1	< € 1 mil	€ 1.430	€ 0	€ 1.430
2	€ 1 - 2,5 mil	€ 1.430	€ 1.430	€ 2.860
3	€ 2,5 - 5 mil	€ 1.430	€ 2.860	€ 4.290
4	€ 5 - 10 mil	€ 1.430	€ 4.290	€ 5.720
5	€ 10 - 25 mil	€ 1.430	€ 5.720	€ 7.150
6	€ 25 - 50 mil	€ 1.430	€ 7.150	€ 8.580
7	€ 50 - 100 mil	€ 1.430	€ 8.580	€ 10.010
8	> € 100 mil	€ 1.430	€ 10.010	€ 11.440

### ASSOCIATIONS:

CIOPORA contributions by associations consist of a basic fee and a member-related fee of EUR 210,00 (2023) for each member of the association who **is not a direct member** of CIOPORA.

Contribution calculation example:

	Basic fee	# of members	Member-related fee	Annual total 2023
Association fee	€ 1.430	15	15 x € 210,00	€ 4.580

All membership dues are invoiced in the first week of January on an annual basis. CIOPORA contributions are subjects to an annual increase of 2%. Pro rata temporis rule applies to all new members.



## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Please return your application to [info@ciopora.org](mailto:info@ciopora.org)

T: +49 40 555 63 702 / F: +49 40 555 63 703

Name:

Position:

Acting on  
behalf of:

Address:

Tel./ Fax:

Email:

Website:

I/We hereby apply for membership in CIOPORA as (please choose one of the following):

**Breeder member.** Please indicate your main species:

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Title-holder member. Please specify the number of titles:

Plant Breeders' Rights

Plant Patents

Patents

Please specify your main species:

Affiliate member. Please specify your main activities:

Association member. Please indicate the number of members:

Total of members

Of these,

are direct CIOPORA members.

Please indicate your main goals and activities and/or species your members are active in:

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## TURNOVER DECLARATION

**Breeders, title-holders & affiliate (single companies):** please select a contribution category for your organization. **For groups of companies, please fill in pp. 10-11 instead.**

The turnover of my organization and, therefore, the correct category for the total CIOPORA contribution 2023 is:

1 < € 1 mil € 1.430	2 € 1 - 2,5 mil € 2.860	3 € 2,5 - 5 mil € 4.290	4 € 5 - 10 mil € 5.720
5 € 10 - 25 mil € 7.150	6 € 25 - 50 mil € 8.580	7 € 50 - 100 mil € 10.010	8 > € 100 mil € 11.440

I, the undersigned, confirm hereby the above-mentioned information on our turnover to be true and correct.

I declare that being fully aware of the provisions of the [CIOPORA Bylaws](https://bit.ly/2k1yvu5), I accept them and shall abide by them (<https://bit.ly/2k1yvu5>).

I hereby consent to handling of my personal and professional data by CIOPORA and receiving notifications from CIOPORA via email. Check our [Privacy Policy](https://bit.ly/2lyDwL6): <https://bit.ly/2lyDwL6>).

I agree to pay a one-time admission fee of € 100,00.

Date & place

Signature & organization seal



## GROUPS OF COMPANIES

**One or several companies of one group of companies can become CIOPORA members.**  
The following contribution rules apply to the groups of companies:

- The turnover of the entire group serves as the basis for the annual fee calculation;
- If more than one company of a group joins CIOPORA, the second and each additional company shall pay only one basic fee each.

My company belongs to a group of companies, which are active in the business of asexually reproduced horticultural plant varieties, including but not limited to breeders, propagators, growers, traders of such crops. The name of the group is:

Group name:

Companies  
applying for  
membership:

Address:

Tel./Fax:

Email:

Website:

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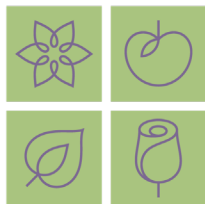
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