

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION KIT



INTRODUCTION

The World Jewellery Confederation, or CIBJO (Confédération Internationale de la Bijouterie, Joaillerie, Orfèverie des Diamants, Perles et Pierres), is the primary international jewellery, gemstones and precious metals association, representing the interests of all individuals, organisations and companies earning their livelihoods from the mining, processing, manufacturing and trade of these products. It is the oldest such organisation, having originally been established in 1926.

The World Jewellery Confederation covers the entire jewellery, gemstone and precious metals sectors – vertically, from mine to marketplace, and horizontally within each of the component parts in the various production, manufacturing and trading centres. Its members are not individuals, but rather representative associations or commercial bodies. They include national and international trade organisations from more than 45 countries around the world and many of the international jewellery sector's leading corporations and service providers.

The World Jewellery Confederation is also the only organisation in the international diamond, gemstone and jewellery sectors to have received official consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations. This enables it to advance programmes and goals of the UN within the industry, serving as a technical expert, adviser and consultant to governments and the UN Secretariat. It additionally is a member of the UN Global Compact and is committed to the fulfilment of the Sustainable Development Goals.



The CIBJO Congress in session in Bahrain in November 2019, during a session on responsible sourcing in the jewellery industry.

MISSION

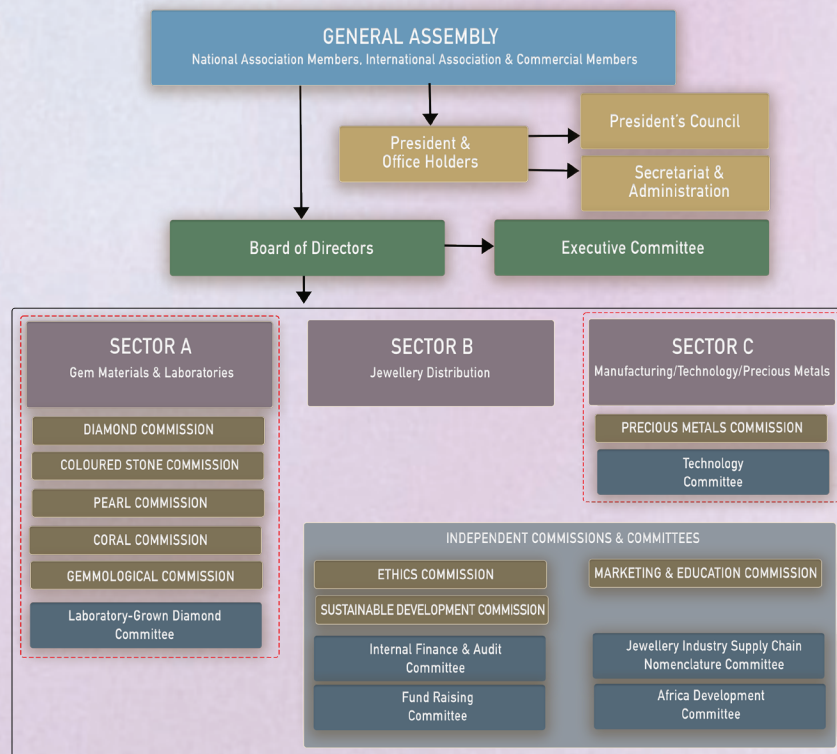
The World Jewellery Confederation focuses on issues which concern the industry and trade worldwide, primary among them the protection of consumer confidence. It does so by promoting and enabling the harmonisation and regulation of technical standards, terminology, operating principles, and practices related to sustainability, responsible sourcing and transparent supply chains.

Functioning as a centre of knowledge and education, the World Jewellery Confederation pursues its objectives through collaborative debate and discussion, research, learning and communication.

To advance the objective of universally harmonised standards and terminology, the Confederation maintains its Blue Book system and also produces other guidance documents.

The World Jewellery Confederation develops and supports responsible sourcing and sustainable initiatives and programmes that address threats to the integrity of gemstones, precious metals and finished jewellery.

STRUCTURE



The World Jewellery Confederation is organized according to sectors, or areas of interest. They are: Sector A (Gem Materials, Trade and Laboratories), Sector B (Jewellery Distribution) and Sector C (Jewellery Manufacturing/Technology/Precious Metals).

The official bodies of CIBJO are the General Assembly of Delegates; the 30-person Board of Directors; the Executive Committee, which is made up of 15 members of the Board, the President's Council; the Internal Finance and Audit Committee and the External Auditor. The CIBJO Secretariat and Administration represents CIBJO for all routine matters of internal business.

The powers and duties of the General Assembly are to elect the Officers, who are President, Vice Presidents and the Treasurer; to elect the Board of Directors; elect the External Auditor; and to approve any proposed changes to the Statutes and the By-Laws.

The governance of World Jewellery Confederation is vested in its Board of Directors, which meets regularly several times a year.

The Officers and at least five other member representatives make up the President's Council, each of whom is appointed by the President.

Commissions are formed to focus on specific topics of interest, and they may cover issues falling under the purview of one or multiple sectors. Active commissions currently include the Diamond Commission, the Coloured Stone Commission, the Pearl Commission, the Gemmological Commission, the Marketing and Education Commission, the Precious Metals Commission, the Ethics Commission, the Coral Commission, and the Responsible Sourcing Commission.

There are additionally committees focusing on subjects specific to different sectors of the industry. Currently, these include the Technology Committee and the Laboratory-Grown Diamond Committee and the Responsible Sourcing Nomenclature Committee.

APPLICATION FORM

Name of association or company

Class of applicant (select one option)

National
Association

International
Association

Company

Country (companies and international associations must state country where headquartered)

Address

Name of primary contact

Telephone of primary contact

Email of primary contact

Website

Please specify the purpose of your organisation and provide details of your activity

Please indicate what sectors you would like to belong to:

Sector A
Gem materials & laboratories

Sector B
Jewellery distribution

Sector C
Jewellery Manufacturing/Technology/
Precious Metals

Please indicate what commissions you would like to belong to:

Diamond Commission

Coloured Stone Commission

Pearl Commission

Coral Commission

Gemmological Commission

Precious Metals Commission

Ethics Commission

Marketing & Education Commission

Sustainable Development Commission

Please indicate what committees you would like to belong to:

Laboratory-Grown Diamonds

Jewellery Industry Supply Chain
Nomenclature

Technology

Africa Development

DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, verify that all the information provided in this Application Form is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that the decision to grant membership in the World Jewellery Confederation (CIBJO) is a subject to the approval of its Board of Directors, and on the applying organisation's fulfilling all relevant requirements and obligations.

Signature

Name

Date

PLEASE NOTE

Completed applications should be emailed to cibjo@cibjo.org. For national and international associations, please attach to the email statutes or by-laws, membership brochures, membership data, and other relevant publications and press materials.



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