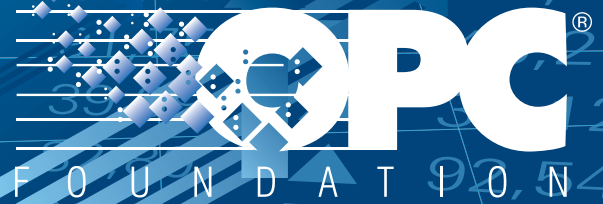


# MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION



**Becoming an OPC Foundation Member is more than just easy!** Membership provides the best way to stay up-to-date with technology and to reach the community most interested in the value and benefits of OPC. With membership comes privileges...

## Get Full Access to the OPC Specifications

→ OPC is the interoperability standard for secure, reliable and platform-independent information exchange. The OPC specifications define the interface between clients and servers, as well as servers and servers, for different fields of applications, including access to real-time data, monitoring of alarms and events, access to historical data and other applications.

As an OPC Foundation corporate member, you get complete and early access to the OPC specifications before the general public. You can even join working groups and engage in the development of ongoing specifications.

## Get hands on Tools that support your development

→ OPC Foundation corporate members can use and redistribute the OPC Foundation deliverables, common components, communication stacks and shared applications. Members also have access to the OPC Compliance Test Tools (CTTs) to ensure your OPC products meet the appropriate specifications.

Corporate members can list OPC-compliant products in the interactive OPC Product Guide on the OPC Foundation web site at [www.opcfoundation.org](http://www.opcfoundation.org)

## Certify Your Products for Compliance

→ OPC members can participate in IOP

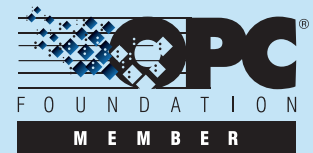
workshops and test their products for interoperability. Annual events are hosted in your geographical region in Europe, North America and Japan. OPC Foundation (OPCF) corporate members can add extra value to their product by applying for the highest quality logo awarded by the OPCF. The OPCF certifies products in independent test facilities in Europe and in North America. *(See reverse side for a full explanation of corporate membership classes.)*

Why certify? Objective certification testing by the independent test lab guarantees that your products comply with the OPC specifications, interoperate with third-party products, and have passed reliability, usability and robustness testing.

## Connect with the OPC Community

→ With almost 500 member companies, the OPC Foundation is the world's leading community for interoperability solutions based on the OPC specifications.

All OPC Foundation members—including corporate, end-user and non-voting members—can proudly display the OPC Foundation logo and the OPC Foundation Member logo. For the OPC technology suppliers, the OPC Foundation offers a complete marketing program, including a newsletter, web site and educational events. For the OPC end-user community, membership offers you the chance to collaborate with the OPC developer community to build best-in-class solutions. ■



## WHY JOIN THE OPC FOUNDATION (OPCF)?

1. Obtain full access to new OPC Specification Release Candidates and latest technology enhancements as well as new features.
2. Actively participate in Working Groups, drive technology forward and influence the technology with your requirements, ideas and know how.
3. Get free use of OPCF test tools that support you in development of high quality products and speed up development and testing.
4. Certify products at an accredited, independent Certification Lab in your region. Certification logo adds substantial value to your product and is demanded in many open tenders.
5. Participate in promotion and marketing events, get your company and product shown on exhibitions, road shows and events, get your company profile and products listed on the OPCF website.
6. Participate in Interoperability Workshops (IOP) and test your product against others.
7. Connect with the OPC developer and user community.

## THE OPC FOUNDATION IS ...

### COMMUNITY:

→ The world's leading community for interoperability solutions based on OPC specifications that deliver universal connectivity.

### COMPLIANCE:

→ The official source for the OPC Certification Program, ensuring OPC products plug and play in real-world applications.

### COLLABORATION:

→ The collaboration with other organizations advances the adoption and use cases of OPC based products.

## Three Membership Types – The OPC Foundation members are companies and organizations that join as Corporate Members, End-User Members or Non-Voting Members.

Corporate Membership Class	Annual Worldwide Sales (U.S. \$)	Annual Dues (U.S. \$)
Class A	> \$100 Million	\$18,000
Class B	\$20M to \$100M	\$9,600
Class C	\$2M to \$20M	\$4,800
Class D	< \$2 Million	\$3,000

### CORPORATE MEMBERS

are the OPC technology providers that offer OPC-compliant products. Membership dues are based on annual sales.

### END-USER MEMBERS

are the consumers of OPC technology in the form of OPC-compliant products. End-user members can contribute to the advancement of OPC technology by commenting on Draft Specifications.

→ **End-User Member:**  
**\$1,800 U.S. Annual Dues**

### NON-VOTING MEMBERS

are organizations such as Government and Research Institutions, Universities and non-profit groups that need OPC information but who do not build OPC products for the open marketplace.

→ **Non-voting Member:**  
**\$900 U.S. Annual Dues**

### MEMBERSHIP WELCOME KIT

After joining the OPC Foundation, you will receive a Membership Welcome Kit, sent to your company's designated representative. This Welcome Kit includes:

1. A copy of the OPC Foundation's current member roster, including your organization's listing.
2. A copy of the OPC book, From Data Access to Unified Architecture, written by Jürgen Lange, Frank Iwanitz, and Thomas Burke, the OPC Foundation President.
3. Access to the OPC Foundation's Member Directory on the web site, to add your company's profile information.
4. Access to and permission to use the OPC Foundation logo and OPC Foundation Member logo. ■

### HOW TO JOIN

Download, review, and complete the membership application at [www.opcfoundation.org/howtojoin](http://www.opcfoundation.org/howtojoin). If you have questions about the application process or membership, please contact the OPC Foundation at [membership@opcfoundation.org](mailto:membership@opcfoundation.org).

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