



MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

AESOP IS A NETWORK OF UNIVERSITIES THAT
TEACH PLANNING AND RESEARCH WITHIN
THIS FIELD.

MISSION

With over 150 members, AESOP is the only representation of planning schools of Europe. Given this unique position, AESOP strengthens its profile as a professional body. AESOP mobilizes its resources, taking a leading role and entering its expertise into ongoing debates and initiatives regarding planning education and planning qualifications of future professionals. AESOP promotes its agenda with professional bodies, politicians and all other key stakeholders in spatial and urban development and management across Europe.

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FULL MEMBERSHIP may be granted to a European School, running an autonomous programme in planning which meets the criteria defined in the core curriculum of AESOP. Full members hold voting rights and hence, through their representatives, co-determine AESOP policies and procedures.

Membership Fee: 600 €/year
or 300 €/year for countries with low GNP
according to the World Bank criteria.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP may be granted to a European School, running courses or modules in planning. Associate members do not hold voting rights but are associated to AESOP activities and benefit from AESOP services.

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or 150 €/year for countries with low GNP
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Affiliate members do not hold voting rights but are associated to AESOP activities and benefit from AESOP services.

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or 150 €/year for countries with low GNP
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INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP may be granted to a person involved in planning.

Individual members do not hold voting rights but are associated to AESOP activities and benefit from AESOP services.

Membership Fee: 150 €/year
or 75 €/year for countries with low GNP
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HONORARY MEMBERSHIP may be conferred to a person who has made a significant contribution to the discipline of planning.

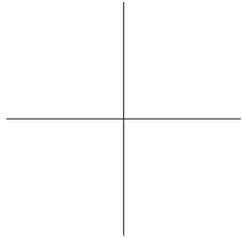
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ACTIVITIES



AESOP ANNUAL CONGRESS

Every year, usually in July, AESOP holds its Annual Congress, hosted by one of member universities. Congresses are a wide platform of exchange in the fields of research, education and practice in planning. Every five years AESOP co-organizes World Planning Schools Congress gathering planning schools from all over the world. AESOP congresses are open to all, but AESOP members benefit of reduced congress fees. — Recent AESOP Congresses took place in Naples (2007), Chicago (2008, with ACSP), Liverpool (2009) and Helsinki (2010). 25th AESOP Congress in 2012 will take place in Ankara. — WPSC took place in Shanghai (2001) and Mexico (2006). In July 2011 planning scholars will be welcomed to Perth.

AESOP HEADS OF SCHOOLS MEETINGS

Heads of Schools Meeting is an annual forum for planning education. We are happy to welcome delegates from our member schools to discuss main problems and challenges for planning education across Europe. Since 2006 Heads of Schools Meetings took place in Bratislava, Leuven, Łódź, Lille, Istanbul and Tirana. Heads of Schools Meeting usually takes place in spring (March-May). — Forthcoming Heads of Schools Meeting will take place in May 2012 in Oslo.

AESOP PHD WORKSHOPS

PhD Workshop is an annual event co-organized with YA for 30-40 PhD students from AESOP member schools exclusively. Guided by high level academic mentors, they share research ideas, findings and concerns in an informal atmosphere. — Recent PhD Workshops took place in Bristol (2006), Paestum (2007) Jotunheimen National Park, Norway (2008), Manchester (2009), Turku and Helsinki (2010). The 2011 event will be held in a renaissance castle in Kostelec nad Cernymi Lesy near Prague.

AESOP YOUNG ACADEMICS NETWORK

The AESOP Young Academics is a network of young planners who have only recently entered the academic world: PhD students, postdocs, people starting in academic positions. The activities of the AESOP YA Network are complementary to other activities that are being deployed within AESOP as a whole.

AESOP PRIZES

Excellence in Teaching Prize. The purpose of that award is to encourage planning schools to apply new pedagogical approaches, technologies and learning techniques in ways which enhance theories, knowledge and skills necessary for good planning practice. The award provides an important opportunity to disseminate new and high quality teaching practices among European planning schools.

Best Published Paper Prize. The purpose of this prize is to celebrate the work of scholars and professionals in the field of planning publishing in European planning journals. Annually, the Editorial Boards of almost 50 European planning journals are invited to nominate the best published papers of their journal for the prize.

The Best Congress Paper Prize. The objective of the competition is to promote and disseminate high-quality congress papers and to stimulate the willingness of congress participants to submit and present full congress papers of high quality.

AESOP RESEARCH THEMATIC GROUPS

AESOP Thematic Groups are working groups on specific themes established in order to create more effective platforms for debate and discussion amongst AESOP members.

AESOP PUBLICATIONS

AESOP Yearbook: information on AESOP activities, prizes, schools directory (free of charge for the members) published every two years, available from the webpage.

AESOP News: e-newsletter, 1 issue per week, 3000 subscribers (free of charge).

Planning Education: contemporary issues for Planning education (free of charge for the members), ISSN 1998-216X, published every two years, available from the webpage.

AESOP PARTNER JOURNALS

European Planning Studies, published by Routledge and edited in cooperation with AESOP. AESOP member schools benefit a discount on the subscription fee.

DisP, published by ETH (Zürich) in cooperation with AESOP. Dialogues in Urban and Regional Planning, published by Routledge. Dialogues is a project undertaken by GPEAN. The books are typically published every 2 years.

AESOP EXTERNAL RELATIONS

AESOP cooperates with the professional and scientific bodies in the field of planning: European Council of Town Planners (ECTP), International Society of City and Regional Planners (ISOCARP), European Urban Research Association (EURA), International Federation for Housing and Planning (IFHP) and UN Habitat, The United Nations Human Settlements Programme. AESOP is one of the nine planning schools associations that currently form the Global Planning Education Association Network (GPEAN). GPEAN was established in the wake of the first World Planning Schools Congress in 2001 in Shanghai.

AESOP STRUCTURE

The administrative and managerial organs of the AESOP are: the full Assembly, the Council of Representatives and the Executive Committee.

All of the powers of the AESOP rest within the Council of Representatives which is a body elected by Full Members. The Executive Committee holds the managerial and administrative powers of the Association.