



ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL FUTURISTS

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Making futures accessible

Membership Benefits to Keep You Ahead of the Curve

Annual Gatherings

Held throughout the world, these meetings often include unique tours of local, leading edge research facilities, as well as seminars, activities, and futures practices.

Virtual Gatherings

Bringing together members from around the globe, speaking about a single theme, these online learning experiences feature multiple speakers with diverse perspectives.

Professional Development Days

Grow in your understanding and application of futures methodologies in a collegial environment with others who are interested in learning about foresight approaches.

Community Listserv

A lively opportunity to communicate with your colleagues and futures students. Get answers to your questions, as well as access to job openings in the field.

Monthly Compass

Stay up-to-date with what's happening in the industry with our *Compass*, a collection of member articles and appearances.

The Best of Futures Work Competition

Members submit their work for peer review and recognition.

Membership Categories

1. Full and Provisional Membership

You must meet at least two of these criteria to be eligible for Full membership. Otherwise, if appropriate, you will be admitted as a Provisional member for a period of three years to enable you to develop your futures practice so that you meet the criteria for Full membership.

- Consulting
You are a sole practitioner or a partner/staff in a consulting firm.
- Organisational Function
You regularly use the perspectives and/or methodologies of futures studies in a full-time position within a non-futures organisation.
- Postgraduate Degree
You have earned a postgraduate degree in futures research, futures studies, foresight, or a comparable field.
- Certificate Program
You have completed an approved certificate program in futures research, futures studies, or a comparable field.
- Speaking
You have delivered a minimum of two speeches or presentations annually on the future to an external audience.
- Writing
You have published a minimum of three magazine or journal articles and/or one book that is about the future, or futures theory, methodology, or practice.
- Teaching
You currently teach or have taught a course on the future or futures theory or futures methodology.

Message from the Chair



The APF was founded in 2002 by Professional futurists who saw the need to create a network to help advance the field. We are now a worldwide group of foresight professionals with members in forty-one countries.

The APF sets the standard of excellence for foresight professionals. Our members provide unique perspectives to help people and organizations anticipate and influence the future.

Members include futurists from businesses, governments and nonprofits who are consultants, educators, and students in futures studies. We meet regularly, host active electronic discussions among practitioners, provide professional development programs, recognize excellence in futures works, and offer a rich body of ideas and information about the future for the public. Our global community is our great strength.

We invite you to find out more at <http://www.apf.org>, where you can also apply online.

Cindy Frewen
Chair, APF Board



2. Associate Membership

Associate Membership is available to graduates of a university program in futures research, futures studies or a comparable field, or is an entry level associate with a mentor or employer who is a foresight professional, preferably an APF full member.

3. Student Membership

Students enrolled in an accredited course or program in futures studies or in a related discipline are encouraged to join the APF. You will pay a reduced membership fee for the duration of your studies.

4. Organisational Membership

An Organisational Membership is available for organizations with an interest or practice in foresight, and covers three nominated members in the organisation, one who is a full member.

Further details on membership qualifications and applications can be found at apf.org or send an email to applications@apf.org.