

Associate Membership

ERiac is a membership-based organization, bringing together Roma and non-Roma individuals and organizations, with relevant and demonstrated competencies and experience in the field of arts and culture and who are committed to ERiac's values.

ERiac's associate members are organized in five thematic sections:

- Arts and Culture
- History and Commemoration
- Research and Publication in the fields of arts and culture
- Media and Information in the fields of arts and culture
- Romani Language

What are the benefits of being an associate member of ERiac?

Associate Members have key roles in building the resources of ERiac, engaging in creative exchange and co-production, taking ownership of ERiac's initiatives and engaging in its decision-making.

As an associate member:

- You will have full access to ERiac's information and knowledge resources, collections, archives and database
- Grant Opportunities – Access ERiac's call for grants (institutional members eligible for financial support), with details shared in mid-April.
- To the extent possible, you will be involved in ERiac's program of activities
- You will be invited to suggest cultural and artistic initiatives and partnerships
- Through thematic sections, you will be able to shape ERiac's priorities and activities
- You will form part of ERiac's hub as a platform for the exchange of ideas and expertise
- You will be able to display the logo and the name of the Institute in your own activities, according to the conditions set by ERiac
- You will have the right to participate in the General Assemblies
- You can nominate members to the [*Barvalipe Academy*](#) or run as a candidate for Barvalipe Academy

Who can be a member?

ERiac is open to all Roma and non-Roma artists, cultural managers, interested individuals, civil society organisations, private sector companies, and formal and informal groups with demonstrated competencies and experience in the field of arts and culture and who support ERiac's mission and are ready to contribute to implementing ERiac's empowering vision. Applications are accepted from legal and natural persons.

What are the requirements for becoming an associate member?

- Membership applications are reviewed by the Executive Management and the Pakiv Board based on demonstrated merit and qualifications in the field of broadly-understood arts and culture
- Introductory Interview – we will invite all applicants for a mandatory short conversation. During the interview we will explain to you the details of ERiac membership process and clarify the membership benefits and responsibilities.
- Associate members need to pledge to respect ERiac's founding principles
- Associate members are expected to pay the annual membership fee
- Associate members are asked to subscribe to thematic sections, according to their preferences and experience. Associate members can subscribe to more than one section.

How can I become an associate member?

The 2024 call for associate members will be opened on the – 22nd of January – and will last until the 23rd of February. Associate membership can be obtained by filling an online application form.

All applications will be evaluated by the Executive Management of ERiac and the Pakiv Board. Once the application is approved, the applicant will need to provide a proof of payment to become a full member.