PICUM Membership

Do you believe that

- ✓ all workers should be protected from degrading treatment, dangerous conditions, and non-payment of wages?
- ✓ all people should be able to receive health care, report violence, and access justice?
- ✓ all children should be able to go to school, have a home, and enjoy their childhood?
- ✓ that hospitals, schools, women's shelters and churches are safe spaces, and have no role in enforcing migration policies?

So do we.

Join us in turning our vision into reality.

BENEFITS, CRITERIA & PROCEDURE

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Join a growing and influential network

- Be part of the only international network working exclusively to uphold the rights of undocumented migrants.
- Enrich PICUM through your voice and experience, help build our evidence, improve our insight and shape our recommendations.
- Gain opportunities to **engage decision makers and strategic allies** in key regional and global fora on migration, including at EU, Council of Europe, and UN level.
- Benefit from the recognition and value of the PICUM network both regionally and internationally.

Exchange and network

- **Engage and connect** with over 150 organisations working to advance undocumented migrants' rights in over 30 countries.
- Attend PICUM's member-only events, tailored to your needs, and with ample opportunity for strategic discussion, information exchange and alliance building.
- Receive priority registration for PICUM's public events.
- Benefit from the opportunity to publicise your activities, actions and outputs in PICUM's newsletter and social media, reaching thousands of followers and subscribers.

Build skills and expertise

- Participate in one of five thematic working groups, addressing PICUM's key areas of work
 - Access to healthcare
 - Fair working conditions
 - o Access to justice
 - Undocumented children and families
 - Borders and detention
- Access targeted training and capacity building activities on advocacy, communications, campaigning, and strategic litigation.
- Benefit from the support and guidance of PICUM's dedicated secretariat.
- Use PICUM's **member-only forum** to pose questions, share experiences and seek insights on key opportunities and challenges you face in your work.
- Receive dedicated mailing according to your thematic area of expertise with a specific focus on issues and news related to the situation of undocumented migrants.



MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

PICUM membership is open to non-profit and non-governmental organisations (NGO) working with or for the rights of undocumented migrants and who are committed to PICUM's vision, mission and values.

PICUM's membership now extends across 30 countries globally, including nearly all EU member states. This network includes grassroots, national level, migrant community organisations, service providers, trade unions and others engaged in a variety of activities from information and advice, mediation, legal aid, research, and policy analysis, and advocacy.

PICUM's membership fee ranges from €50 to €3000 according to the member organisation's annual income.

Terminology pledge

PICUM is committed to advancing fair and accurate terminology when referring to undocumented migrants. Our "Words Matter!" leaflet explains why the term 'illegal migrant' should not be used, and gives alternative terms in all EU languages.

Our network is leading efforts to end the use of 'illegal migrant', 'illegal migration,' 'illegal work,' 'illegal entry,' etc. We ask that all organisations wishing to join **PICUM commit to using fair and accurate terms** and **encourage others** to do the same. For more information, please see here.

PICUM members organise communities and build movements. They uphold living and working standards, save lives, and improve laws and policies. Members are our inspiration. For PICUM, membership remains our most vital partnership.

Michele LeVoy, PICUM Director



APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. APPLY

Submit the application documents to PICUM

2. REVIEW

The Executive Committee reviews applications

3. VOTING

Recommended applications are voted on at the General Assembly

4. ADMISSION

Approved organisations become PICUM members

If you are interested in becoming a PICUM member, please fill out the <u>application</u> form.

For any further questions regarding PICUM membership, please contact **Mercedes Miletti, Membership and Events Coordinator** at <u>mercedes.miletti@picum.org</u>

WHY JOIN?

Hear it from our members:

"PICUM's key position and significant expertise in the area of migration makes it an important partner for us in our aim for decent working conditions for undocumented migrants.

The reports and newsletters that we regularly receive from PICUM strengthen our expertise and provide us with the relevant information in our work.

Through our membership in PICUM we have access to a **broad and very competent network** of key people in the field."

Maria Östberg Svanlind The Swedish Trade Union Centre for Undocumented Migrants "Having created one of the most important networks amongst health and social care associations in Europe, PICUM's reach now extends to the most significant policy level institutions.

PICUM's work allowed us to learn about and compare legislative aspects and best practices regarding access to healthcare for undocumented migrants, enabling health professionals to present precise and credible motions and submissions to their national governments."

Daniela Panizzut, *SIMM* and Pierfranco Olivani, *NAGA* Italy