



What can you expect as a member?

Members can sign up annually, as individuals, students or as affiliates.

We welcome participation from anyone who would like to contribute towards our aims, whatever your specific interests and skills may be. We are also very interested in joining forces with organisations looking for synergies and collaboration.

UNA New Zealand branches run events for members throughout the year, such as conferences, dinners, film nights and speaker events. These are a great way to connect with UN officials, diplomats, politicians and academics, and provide opportunities to be updated about news from the UN and our activities around New Zealand. Meetings are also used to organise upcoming community events. The level of participation is entirely up to you.

Member benefits include:

- Monthly newsletter full of the latest UN and UNA New Zealand news and events.
- UNA New Zealand biannual magazine.
- Discounted entry into UNA New Zealand events across the country.
- The opportunity to participate in the UNA New Zealand National Conference and National Council Meetings.
- The right to nominate for office and to vote at your local UNA New Zealand Branch AGM.

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Whenua o Aotearoa



We need to work together to help promote and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. The leaders of the world have given us a clear blueprint, and by following it, we can help build a future of peace and prosperity.



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Why the United Nations?

The UN is central to our future

Global Cooperation is the key to our security, prosperity and development, nationally and internationally. Most of our critical challenges are global and rely on nations' businesses and people working together for effective solutions. Issues include conflict and nuclear weapons, climate change and environmental degradation, poverty and development, oil depletion and energy supplies and many more.

The United Nations brings together not only national governments, but also a wide range of people's organisations (Non-Government Organisations) and increasingly multinational corporations as well.

While the UN is still far from its ultimate goal, it has demonstrated its capacity to drive profound changes in attitudes to violence, human rights and global development. We need to enrich our understanding of its work, affirm our support for it, and to strengthen the UN so it can serve us more effectively.



Bringing people together

The United Nations Association of New Zealand (UNA New Zealand) is a national community organisation, and a registered charity. It is made up of a number of regional branches, an independent youth association (UN Youth New Zealand) and affiliates across New Zealand.

UNA New Zealand was founded shortly after the United Nations itself in 1945, and is formally associated with the UN Department of Public Information. We are a member of The World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA) which provides links with United Nations Associations in other countries throughout the world.

UNA New Zealand members come from all areas and walks of life. What brings them together is a shared interest in the work of the United Nations and in trying to make the world a better place.

Making a difference

UNA New Zealand is committed to the ideals embodied in the UN Charter and the crucial role of the UN at the centre of multilateral cooperation to promote world peace and justice, and to eradicate poverty and hunger. We recognise that the UN has far to go to achieve its objectives, and are committed to its improvement.

We work in a variety of ways to highlight the importance of the UN, and to engender the skills within our young people to cope with this extraordinarily challenging international environment. We educate New Zealanders about the activities of the UN and its agencies, New Zealand's involvement, and how to get involved.

In addition to running regular awareness-raising events, workshops, seminars and panel discussions, UNA New Zealand plays a key role in encouraging the New Zealand Government to support the work of the UN. We also celebrate special UN related days, endeavouring to keep UN issues before the public.