



Engineers Without Borders - Ireland

Student Branch Affiliation Agreement

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1. Overview

Engineers Without Borders Ireland (EWB-Ireland) believes that the collaboration with student branches is essential to the successful achievement of EWB-Ireland's Mission. EWB-Ireland is the national umbrella organization that supports the branches and the establishment of a relationship between EWB-Ireland and Universities & Institutes of Technology will encourage a generation of new engineers to understand that their future roles as engineering professionals may profoundly contribute toward meeting the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

The focus of these college student groups is to foster and promote an active interest and involvement in science and engineering and to encourage consideration and discussion of the challenges facing sustainable development in both the engineering and wider community.

2. Mission Statement

The main object for which Engineers Without Borders Ireland is established is to bridge the gap between academia, industry and NGOs to give Irish engineers and scientists opportunities to learn about and contribute to sustainable development globally.

We do this by partnering with disadvantaged communities, both in Ireland and overseas, to improve their quality of life through education and implementation of sustainable engineering projects, while promoting global experience for engineers, engineering students, and similarly motivated non-engineers.

3. Primary Activities

Development Education

To organise, promote and hold conferences, meetings, lectures, exhibitions and consultations on engineering & technology solutions for global sustainable development, post-disaster recovery and poverty reduction topics.

To advocate, set up and maintain high standards of training for the members of the organisation, and members of any local community who we collaborate with as



appropriate for the task of overseas development and suitable engineering application, through a number of programmes both at home and abroad.

International Development Projects

Assist communities in "developing countries" by means of collaborative assessment of need followed, potentially, by the implementation of engineering solutions. This is conducted via our International Intern Programme and in collaboration with professional engineers and companies as appropriate.

Research

To promote and undertake research into the subject of engineering/technology solutions as it pertains to global sustainable development, post-disaster recovery and poverty reduction and to work with universities & colleges to create research briefs related to engineering/technology solutions in aid of global sustainable development and poverty reduction for undergraduate and postgraduate students and to publish and distribute the results of such research.

Student Branches

To establish and support, or assist in the establishment of student groups, associations, institutions, funds and trusts, calculated to benefit the objects of the Company.

4. Student Branches

An EWB-Ireland Student Branch is a volunteer organisation of EWB-Ireland members that reports to a University or College in accordance with the rules, policies and procedures of that University or College in the same manner as an Engineering Society.

EWB-Ireland Student Branches are established upon execution of a formal affiliation agreement. The Board of Directors shall have the right to revoke the branch agreement if they determine the conduct of the Branch is in breach of any provision of that agreement.



Branches are granted the use of the EWB-Ireland brand, logo and name for approved activities, including taking part in or delivering some of EWB-Ireland's initiatives, and fundraising.

As a registered Charity (Registered Charity Number 20158101) EWB-Ireland has legal obligations in relation to the promotion of our charitable purpose, therefore outlined below are the obligations of both EWB-Ireland and our Student Chapters.

Obligations of EWB-Ireland;

- Register all Student Branch members as members of EWB-Ireland.
- Provide student members with overseas volunteering opportunities.
- Provide opportunities and resources to become involved in EWB-Ireland related research projects both at home and overseas.
- Support the activities of the Student Branch and promote them through our website and social media.
- Provide guest speakers for lectures and workshops.
- Provide funding to selected EWB-Ireland related workshops and events organised by the Student Branches.
- Provide opportunities for student branches to collaborate with each other.
- Branches are granted the use of the EWB-Ireland brand, logo and name for approved activities, including taking part in or delivering some of EWB-Ireland's initiatives.

Obligations of Student Branches;

- To carry out all activities in a manner consistent with the scientific, educational and charitable principles of EWB-Ireland which reflect positively on the EWB-Ireland brand and reputation.
- To only use the EWB-Ireland brand, logo and name for EWB-Ireland approved activities and funding raising.
- To remain in regular communication with EWB-Ireland regarding planned activities.
- The Branch shall not engage in or promote, directly or indirectly, any commercial activity.



5. Member Code of Conduct

EWB-Ireland members shall always be mindful of the environment in which they work, the people with whom they work, and the work that they do. Whether the member is working with a community, a branch, or a donor, their actions reflect upon EWB-Ireland, its name and its reputation.

EWB-Ireland expects that all members shall be treated as dignified human beings and afforded a high level of respect. In return, members shall treat everyone with whom they interact with the same level of respect.

We have a responsibility to treat all persons equally, with dignity and respect, including:

- In every aspect of work for EWB-Ireland, members shall not discriminate based on race, colour, gender, language, religion, political views, nationality, ethnicity, sexual preference or status.

Commitment to communities we work in;

- Members will actively protect the public health, safety, and welfare of communities we work with.
- Members will act in an honest and transparent manner.
- Members will include community members in all aspects of project development and implementation.
- Members will provide the best possible and most appropriate technical expertise.
- Members shall respect the fact that the community is the initiator, owner, and final determinant on its projects.

Responsibility toward EWB-Ireland

- Members shall not accept funding from companies or organisations whose work or principles are in conflict with those of EWB-Ireland.
- Members will act in the best interest of the entire organisation, its members, communities and supporters.



- Members will act as an ambassador for EWB-Ireland, its mission and principles.
- Members will positively represent the EWB-Ireland brand when conducting any type of EWB-Ireland work including meetings, events, presentations, project travel, media interviews, writing, etc.
- Members will not use EWB-Ireland property, facilities, services or financial resources for private purposes except when permission is duly given.

Appropriate Conduct;

- Members will respect the culture and customs of communities we work with and people we deal with.
- Members will respect and follow all the laws of the countries in which they work. This will include, but not be limited to following proper visa procedures (obtaining a volunteer visa if required).
- Members will conduct themselves in a professional manner when working on projects in communities.

Our commitments to our donors and sponsors.

- Members will abide by all requirements and restrictions placed on donations for specific projects by the donors. Project teams shall be able to demonstrate that all conditions of the donation have been met and that the funds were spent accordingly.
- Members will ensure that project teams cooperate in a transparent and upfront manner with all donors.



By following this code of conduct, members are ensuring that their own personal integrity, and that of EWB-Ireland, is maintained and strengthened as they carry out their mission, supporting community-driven sustainable engineering projects, while creating transformative experiences and responsible leaders.

Engineers Without Borders Ireland

STUDENT BRANCH AFFILIATION AGREEMENT

For and on behalf of Engineers Without Borders - Ireland

Name:	
Position:	
Signature:	

For and on behalf of Student Branch

Branch Name:	
Name:	
Position:	
Signature:	