

PARTICIPATION PLAN

Committee on SMEs and Entrepreneurship

References:

- 19.06.2013
- 16.02.2015
- 13.12.2016
- 25.01.2022
- 23.02.2022
- 10.06.2022
- 07.09.2025
- 09.01.2026

^A In line with the Roadmaps for the OECD Accession Process adopted by the Council at Ministerial level on 10 June 2022; on 26 March 2024; on 29 March 2024; and on 17 June 2024, Brazil, Bulgaria, Croatia, Peru and Romania; Argentina; Indonesia; and Thailand, respectively, are invited to participate, on the basis of their status as accession candidate countries, in the meetings of all OECD substantive committees and their subsidiary bodies open to participation by all OECD Members. Where they participate on the basis of their status of accession candidate countries, they will participate in all discussions except confidential sessions and have access to related documents but they will not take part in decision-making. Where they are Associates or Participants in an OECD body in line with the Resolution on Partnerships, they will maintain their status and the corresponding rights and obligations throughout the accession process.

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OECD Body	Committee on SMEs and Entrepreneurship (CSMEE)
Subsidiary bodies to which this Plan applies	The CSMEE has no subsidiary bodies.
Global Relations Strategic Directions	Approved on: 21 December 2021
ASSOCIATES	
Conditions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Having been a Participant in the CSMEE (previously WPSMEE) for at least 3 years; 2) Adherence and ability to implement the following legal instruments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bologna Charter on SME Policies [OECD/LEGAL/0306]; • Istanbul Ministerial Declaration on Fostering the Growth of Innovative and Internationally Competitive SMEs [OECD/LEGAL/0328]; • Declaration on Strengthening SMEs and Entrepreneurship for Productivity and Inclusive Growth [OECD/LEGAL/0439]; • Recommendation of the Council on SME and Entrepreneurship Policy [OECD/LEGAL/0473]; • Recommendation of the Council on SME Financing [OECD/LEGAL/0493]. 3) Demonstrate willingness and ability to align with OECD policies on SMEs and entrepreneurship, including the G20/OECD High Level Principles on SME Financing; 4) Providing inputs into the SME and entrepreneurship data infrastructure of the CSMEE, including participating in the collection of data and policy information for the biennial SME and Entrepreneurship Outlook and in the biennial SME Finance Scoreboard.
Fee	Lower Part I Associate fee ¹

¹ The current rate can be found at this address: <https://www.oecd.org/global-relations/partnershipsinoecdbodies/>.

Associate	Bodies to which the invitation applies	Approval date	Exchange of letters
None			
PARTICIPANTS²			
Participant	Bodies to which the invitation applies	Approval date	Acceptance letter
Kazakhstan	CSMEE	13.02.2013	04.06.2013
Romania ^A	CSMEE	20.03.2007	09.08.2007
Russia ³	CSMEE	18.12.2008	19.09.2009
Thailand ^A	CSMEE	14.11.2007	26.02.2008
Ukraine	CSMEE	18.09.2008	10.11.2008

² These Partners accepted to become Participants in the Committee for Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship and all its subsidiary bodies or specifically in the Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship (WPSMEE). They will be consulted during the development of the CSMEE's Global Relations Strategy to confirm their continued engagement.

³ On 8 March 2022, the Council decided an immediate suspension of the participation of the Russian Federation.

INVITEE LIST⁴

Committee on SMEs and Entrepreneurship:

Invitee	Approval date
China (People's Republic of)	29.04.2013
Egypt ⁵	19.06.2013
India	29.04.2013
Malaysia	19.06.2013
Morocco	25.01.2022
Philippines	07.09.2025
Singapore	19.06.2013
South Africa	29.04.2013
United Arab Emirates	09.01.2026
Viet Nam	25.01.2022

OVERVIEW FOR INFORMATION: INVITATIONS TO KEY PARTNERS AS ASSOCIATE, PARTICIPANT OR INVITEE		
Key Partner	Invitation as	Bodies to which the invitation applies
Brazil ^A	<i>See note on cover page.</i>	All
China (People's Republic of)	Invitee	All
India	Invitee	All
Indonesia ^{A 6}	<i>See note on cover page.</i>	All
South Africa	Invitee	All

⁴ Partners listed as Invitees may be invited to individual meetings or items subject to an invitation by the concerned committee.

⁵ Egypt has been invited to become a Participant in the CSMEE [07.09.2025]. Until the invitation is accepted, Egypt will remain an Invitee in the CSMEE.

⁶ Indonesia has been invited to become a Participant in the WPSMEE [29.04.2013]. Until the invitation is accepted, Indonesia will remain an Invitee in the CSMEE.