

NFTO CHAMBER - APPLICATION FORM

....., President of the asks in the name of his/her association for membership in the Chamber of the National Family Therapy Organisations of EFTA. According to the Statutes of EFTA the following documents are to be included together with this application:

- Minutes of the General Assembly of the applying association agreeing on becoming a member of the NFTO Chamber of EFTA.*
- Statement of the Board, agreeing on the procedures of becoming a member of the NFTOs Chamber of EFTA. *
- Copy of the Statutes of the Organisation, including:

- Name, aims and fields of activity. *
- Declaration on being a non -profit association. *
- Accreditation Criteria for Family Therapists. * (If the Organisation does not have Accreditation Criteria it must include with the application the part of the Statutes that describes the specific characteristics of the association).

Each page of the above documents must be certified by the signature of the President and the Secretary of the Association.

- If possible, a list of members should be included that states:

Name, complete address, educational degree and diploma, level of accreditation.

If this is not possible, a description of the membership must be enclosed, stating:
Number of members (in each level of accreditation that the Organisation has, educational degrees and diplomas), as well as all facts that describe the kind and composition of the association.

All documents must be sent in the original language; the asterisked (*) documents must also include an English translation.

Place and Date

.....
President of the Association

.....
G. Secretary of the Association
(Signature of the Officials and Stamp of the Association)

NATIONAL FAMILY THERAPY ORGANISATION GENERAL CRITERIA

The NFTO Chamber is formed by the representatives of the European NFTOs that have registered at the Chamber.

A NFTO (National Family Therapy Organisation) may be a unique national organisation or some kind of national federation of regional associations.

The association or federation should have a clear profile and statutes (see the criteria below) as well as a board that is responsible to the general assembly of its members, convened on a regular basis.

A NFTO is supposed to fulfil the following criteria:

- Represent in an effective way the entire, or almost entire national territory declared and referred to in its statutes.
- Show a clear organisational structure: board with elected members, records of members, regular general assemblies and board meetings, publications (website, Newsletter or scientific Journals, etc.)
- Use clear and public criteria of admission.
- Serve as an official spokesman for the professionals of the country/region.
- Provide an opportunity for its members to discuss and vote European policies.
- Be represented by a board with at least the following positions: Chair or president, secretary, treasurer and one or more board members.

Each country will be represented by one NFTO.

In case that more than one Organisation express their wish to represent a single country, the following aspects should be taken into account:

- Application will be accepted only by the organisation that fulfils the criteria of a NFTO.
- If more than one organisation fulfil these Criteria, special attention should be paid to:
 - Number of members.
 - Organisational structure and activities of the association.
 - Participation in the meetings of EFTA and NFTOs.
 - History of the organisation.

Decisions will be taken on a case to case basis.