

SERVICES OFFERED BY THE OWHC	MEMBER CITY IN GOOD STANDING – 3 CONSECUTIVE YEARS & NEW CITIES	MEMBER CITY IN GOOD STANDING – 1 YEAR	OBSERVER MEMBER CITY	MEMBER CITY
Right to vote at the OWHC General Assembly	√	√		
Right to speak at the OWHC General Assembly	√	√	√	
Election on the OWHC Board of Directors	√	√		
Right to host and manage an OWHC Regional Secretariat	√	√		
Visibility on the OWHC website (3 languages: French, English and Spanish) and social medias				
- Display of your city and its world heritage on the OWHC website (pictures, map, site description, etc.)	√	√	√ (short description of your heritage site)	
- Display on the honor roll of OWHC cities	√	√	√	
- Interview of the Mayor displayed on the website (Mayors&Heritage)	√	√	√	
- Visibility of the cities in the OWHC social medias	√	√	√	
- Access to participate in the collaborative platform City2City	√	√	√	√
Participation in the programs of the OWHC				
- Regional Secretariats activities	√	√	√ (at the discretion of the Regional Secretariats)	
- World Congresses: Poster exhibition	√	√		
- World Congresses: Call for projects	√			
- Case Studies	√	√		
- International Video Production Competition	√			
- Jean-Paul-L'Allier Prize for Heritage	√			
- Youth on the Trail of World Heritage	√			
- Zoom on Urban Heritage	√	√		
- OWHC Grants	√			
Possibility to present your own projects to the OWHC network and that they be displayed on the OWHC website	√	√	√	
Access to financial support in order to participate in the OWHC activities (especially in the World Congresses)	√		√ (financing up to 50% of the total amount ¹)	
Possibility to host within your city, official activities of the OWHC	√	√	√	
Support of the OWHC in the preparation of official activities	√	√	√	
Offer of expertise, advice and support for the candidacy of a city wishing to inscribe a site on the UNESCO World Heritage List	N/A	N/A	√	N/A

¹ The observer members are subject to the same eligibility conditions as regular member cities, that is to say that they have the possibility of receiving financial support on condition that they have the status of member in good standing 3 years / new city.

DEFINITION OF THE DIFFERENT CATEGORIES

Member city: means every city in which, on the one hand, is located a site which represents a living urban ensemble or a property within an urban context inscribed on the World Heritage List whose Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) is recognized by UNESCO's World Heritage Committee and which meets at least one of the criteria (i)(ii)(iii)(iv)(v) or (vi) of the Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage and which, on the other hand, adheres to the values of the OWHC.

Member city in good standing: means a "Member city" that has met its financial obligations towards the Organization.

Observer member city

Definition in the General By-Laws: Any city or any person may become an observer member of the OWHC under the conditions and with the privileges set by regulation. An observer member does not have the right to vote but may be heard at the general assembly unless the Majority of the assembly objects. He is subject to the statutes and By-laws of the Organization. An observer member that is recognized as a permanent observer member by resolution of the general assembly must pay the membership fees and comply with the conditions fixed by the Board of Directors and the general assembly. The observer member shall then be entitled to benefit from all the programs and activities of the Organization intended for such Member.

Simplified definition: (the one displayed on our website): an observer member represents any city that does not meet with the conditions of admission of a "member city", but is interested in being a part of the OWHC network.

To note: an observer member city can be in good standing, or not. We follow the same logic as for the "member city" VS the "member city in good standing".

Member city in good standing 1 year VS 3 consecutive years / new city

In our table of services offered to member cities, a distinction is made between member cities in good standing having paid their membership fee over 3 years, or over 1 year only. This distinction was established for access to some of our services (especially the financing for participation in our world congresses and certain programs). In other words, all of these cities can be described as "member city in good standing". However, they will not all be entitled to the same privileges.

The **new cities** that have just joined the OWHC network are not affected by this distinction. They are considered in the same way as member cities in good standing for 3 years, and have access to all the services of the OWHC.