



...promoting understanding of the UK
voluntary sector through research

VSSN

Organisational Membership

ABOUT VSSN

VSSN - the Voluntary Sector Studies Network - functions to promote the advancement of knowledge about, and understanding of, organisations between the market and the state. It provides a virtual and actual meeting point for scholars and researchers both outside and within the voluntary (third or non-profit) sector(s), with a shared analytic interest in this set of institutions. It is multidisciplinary, seeking to engage economists, historians, political scientists, sociologists, policy analysts and others. It aspires to a UK wide focus.

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VOLUNTARY SECTOR STUDIES NETWORK

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You do not have to be a formal member of VSSN to attend VSSN events or take part in the e-mail discussion list. However, if you are involved on an ongoing basis in research activities related to the UK voluntary sector, you will find much benefit in membership.

Organisational membership is open to smaller charities or voluntary / community groups and requires the approval of the Steering Group. It allows up to five representatives from the same organisation to receive similar benefits to individual members. This means:

- reduced rates to our day Conferences (members £30; member concessionary rate £20 / non-members £60)
- one free subscription to *Voluntary Sector Review* with a copy of the journal to share between organizational members
- an annual vote in the election of Trustees
- an annual vote in the election of the Journal Editorial Board
- stand as a candidate in the above elections
- appear in the online membership directory and network interactively with others
- entry in the online courses guide
- and you are giving support to VSSN's objectives

Organisational subscriptions are based on the academic year (1 Oct – 30 Sept) and there is a flat fee of £180 for organisational membership. (If joining after 1 April in any academic year, the subscription will cover you for the following academic year as well.)

To be considered for organisational membership please complete the form opposite and return it to the Executive Officer at the address shown – or it may be handed in at any VSSN event. Or, if preferred, you can apply online at www.vssn.org.uk/join. It will then be forwarded to the Steering Group for their consideration.

Any queries? Please contact Sonia Liff, VSSN Executive Officer at info@vssn.org.uk or tel. 07902 274 161.

Organisation

VSSN is a charitable association, ultimately controlled by its members. The trustees are the Steering Group who are elected by the members at the AGM. Founded in the mid 1990s, VSSN became formally constituted in 2003. Annual reports and accounts are available on the VSSN web site www.vssn.org.uk (click on AGM details).

THE OBJECTS OF VSSN are the advancement of public education concerning the voluntary sector in the United Kingdom: (1) by the promotion and diffusion of knowledge; and (2) by the publication of research; and (3) by the encouragement of contact between workers in relevant fields of enquiry; and (4) by undertaking such other activities (being charitable in law) as shall be conducive to the attainment of these objects.

VSSN MEMBERSHIP FORM

- We apply to become a member of the Voluntary Sector Studies Network.
- We agree to support the objects of the Network as stated in the Constitution (see opposite)

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**Do not send payment until your application has been approved.
Applications should be sent to:**

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– or hand in at a VSSN event.