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Reference: Formal Invitation to Join the ICPC

[The International Cable Protection Committee \(ICPC\)](#) would like to extend a formal invitation to your organisation to become a Member of our ‘undersea family.’ You have the opportunity to be part of more than **235 Member companies from over 70 nations** that have already enrolled and contributed to the ICPC ‘voice’ in the industry. We encourage you to join to acquire the benefits of this important international community. A current list of ICPC Member organisations can be found [here](#).

To familiarise you with whom we are, the ICPC was founded in 1958 and its membership comprises of governmental administrations and commercial companies that own or operate submarine telecommunications or power cables, as well as other companies that have an interest in the submarine cable industry—including most of the world’s major cable system owners and cable ship operators. The primary purpose of the ICPC is to help its Members to improve the security of undersea cables by providing a forum in which relevant technical, legal, and environmental information can be exchanged.

We are pleased to provide the following resources to assist with your decision to join:

1. [ICPC Achievements](#)
2. [ICPC Informational Videos](#)

You may also read ICPC [news releases](#) to learn more about its outreach and activities such as ‘International Telecommunication Union, UN Agency for Digital Technologies and ICPC Have Formed the International Advisory Body for Submarine Cable Resilience to Strengthen the Resilience of this Vital Telecommunication Infrastructure.’

In addition to [ICPC Recommendations](#), ICPC has also authored ‘Government Best Practices for Protecting and Promoting Resilience of Submarine Telecommunications Cables’—a [document](#) to assist governments in developing laws, policies, and practices to foster the development and protection of submarine telecommunications cables, the infrastructure of the internet.

Membership benefits include access to a repository of technical and environmental information and probably the largest single source of legal information on international submarine cables. As a Member organisation you will have access to your fellow community Members to exchange and gain expert information from one another and be able to actively participate in the annual Plenary Meeting.

Once you become a Member organisation of the ICPC, you will gain access to the Members area of the website for additional resources such as an archive of the ‘Environment Update’ written by ICPC’s Marine Scientific Adviser and the organisation’s newsletter. To learn more about our non-profit organisation, please visit: www.iscpc.org or send an email to icpcinfo@iscpc.org.

Based upon your company's services, membership will be classified as either **Full Membership**, **Government Observer** or **Associate Membership**.

Full Membership is open to Submarine Cable Owners, Submarine Cable Maintenance Authorities, Submarine Cable System Manufacturers, Cable Ship Operators, and Submarine Cable Route Survey Companies.

Government Observer. The ICPC recognises that submarine cable protection interests are better served if the benefits of membership are available to Governments. Government Members enjoy all the privileges of Full Membership of the ICPC except that they cannot vote or serve on the Executive Committee.

Associate Membership is available to any organisation or individual that has an interest in the submarine cable industry, wishes to be informed about its development and wants to support the ICPC in achieving its goals. Associate Members enjoy all the privileges of Full Membership of the ICPC except that they cannot vote on Executive Committee matters.

Current membership fee is £3500 UK pounds per annum for Full Membership and £2500 UK pounds per annum for Associate and Government Observer.

For your reference, an application for Membership may be completed online via the following [link](#). Once you review the material, please consider joining ICPC.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to reach out at any time.

Sincerely,

[Ryan Wopschall](#)

ICPC General Manager

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