



Scale of Membership Fees and Levies

- (1) Pursuant to Section 6 of the Constitution, the Association charges members membership fees and levies.
- (2) The membership fee for each member depends on their most recently determined annual turnover.
 - Members with an annual turnover below €10 million pay an annual membership fee of €1,000.
 - Members with an annual turnover of at least €10 million pay an annual membership fee of €2,500.
- (3) The annual membership fee for universities, research institutes, trade associations and professional chambers, network and cluster organizations, and regional authorities is €500.
- (4) In justified exceptional cases, the Board may allow membership fees to be deferred, reduced, cancelled or paid by instalments.
- (5) If a member is funded under the German Ministry of Education and Research funding initiative 'Zwanzig20 – Partnerschaft für Innovation', this member is to pay a levy of 1.5% net of their HYPOS funding budget approved in the financial year.

[Example calculation:

In 2014, a member receives a funding notice confirming HYPOS funding amounting to a total of €250,000 for a funding period spanning a number of years.

The levy is therefore $€250,000 \times 1.5\% = €3,750$]

- (6) The Association charges VAT (valued added tax) on levies at the rate of currently 19%. The annual membership fees set are to be paid by members in full annually in advance by 31 March of each calendar year into the account specified by the Association by means of bank transfer. Levies plus VAT become payable two months after the receipt of the funding notice from the BMBF of HYPOS confirming funding for the individual member concerned.
- (7) This Scale of Membership Fees and Levies shall first apply to fees and levies for the year 2013.

Halle (Saale), 30 October 2013