

## Student Chapters Policy

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### A. General Policy Statement

A WEF student chapter shall be a student body that is composed of students studying in a post-secondary institution, has its objectives in harmony with the objectives of WEF, associated with a WEF Member Association, and recognized by WEF.

### B. Qualifications

Any student chapter, consisting of at least five persons, may be recommended for WEF Student Chapter status by the Member Association serving the geographical area in which the proposed student chapter is located provided:

- Its objectives are in harmony with the objectives of WEF;
- The Constitution and Bylaws of the applicant chapter have been certified by the Member Association as being in harmony with those of the Member Association and WEF;
- The Student Chapter adheres to and remains in good standing with all rules, regulations, and policies imposed by the educational institution in which it represents.

Once verified and vetted by WEF staff that the above criteria have been met, the current WEF Executive Director will ratify the Student Chapter being recommended for chartering. Once ratified, the student chapter will have access to all privileges and opportunities of WEF affiliation.

### **C. Organization and Privileges**

The Student Chapter shall determine the number and character of its meetings. At least one meeting shall be held each school semester.

All officers and members of the Student Chapter shall be Student Members of WEF and the Member Association.

A liaison for the Student Chapter shall be appointed or elected by the Member Association. The advisor shall be a member of the Member Association and of WEF and serve as the chapter's link to the Member Association and guide to all things WEF.

The Student Chapter will have all the rights and privileges afforded to members of WEF; including, but not limited to: free access to technical webinars, materials and guidance from the Students and Young Professionals Committee, participation in WEF Student Design Competition, Community Service Project, Leadership Summit, and other activities.

The Student Chapter shall submit an annual report to the Student and Young Professionals Committee by May 1 of each year.

### **D. Authority**

A Student Chapter has authority to act on its own behalf and incur obligations for the Student Chapter only.

### **E. Withdrawal and Termination**

The charter of a student chapter may only be terminated through the approval of the current WEF Executive Director. In order to receive such approval, one or both of the following must be met:

- A Student Chapter may withdraw from WEF at the end of any school year after giving three months written notice of its intentions to both the Member Association and to WEF.
- The Member Association may recommend revocation of the charter for any Student Chapter, if, after the Student Chapter has been afforded an opportunity to be heard, the Member Association deems revocation to be in the best interest of the Member Association and WEF.