Membership Application
International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect

Membership Criteria

1. The International Coalition for RtoP is a voluntary coalition of non-governmental organizations (NGOs), consistent with the principles of UN ECOSOC Resolution 1996/31, from all regions of the world.

2. The Coalition supports NGO members and networks from all sectors and with a diversity of mandates. The Coalition encourages members from all community levels: national, regional and global.

3. Academic institutions and departments are welcome to join the Coalition.

4. Membership is restricted to non-governmental organizations. Government operated and controlled NGOs, or NGOs who do not operate independently, with neutrality, and with impartiality of government influence are not eligible for membership.

5. Individuals are encouraged to support RtoP, but are not eligible for membership as the ICRtoP is a Coalition of NGOs.

6. Private sector supporters are encouraged to support RtoP but only their “not-for-profit” components are eligible for membership.

7. The Coalition will be open to national and regional RtoP networks. National or regional RtoP networks/coalitions must have prior approval from the Secretariat to be affiliated in name with the International Coalition for RtoP.

8. Members must endorse the common understanding of RtoP principles and the founding purpose of the Coalition. Any advocacy efforts that Members undertake should reflect these principles and purposes.

9. The Coalition Steering Committee is responsible for membership decisions.

Please answer the following application questions:

1. Does your organization believe that governments and the international community must protect populations from genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity, and ethnic cleansing, and agree that to protect populations there needs to be a broad range of peaceful and coercive measures available for actors at all levels?

2. Does your organization endorse the common understanding of RtoP principles and the founding purposes of the Coalition?

3. What are the name, history and mandate of the organization? Also specify the location of headquarters, whether the organization has an existing website and provide a main contact name and email address.

4. What are the sources of funding and the budget available to the organization?
5. The organization must be legally registered or formally recognized by authorities in the country in which it is located. Please explain the status of your NGO.

6. Members must conduct work within a related sector such as international law, humanitarian assistance, human rights, conflict prevention, refugee rights, peacebuilding, women’s rights, or peace and security. Please describe your related activities.

7. Please describe why your organization wants to become a member and the level of commitment your organization can offer the Coalition.

Upon responding to the above questions, please send by mail to:
International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect
708 Third Avenue, 24th floor
New York, NY 10017
Or by email to: membership@responsibilitytoprotect.org

1 Although organizations should be legally registered or recognized, please note that the ICRtoP will consider applications by NGOs from countries where prohibitions on NGO registration exists.