

# PERC REPORTING STANDARD

## RECOGNISED PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS (RPOs)

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This is a list of professional organisations (RPOs, or Recognised Professional Organisations) and required membership levels for the purpose of the definition of a Competent Person at Paragraph 3.1 of the PERC Reporting Standard 2017.

To be recognised as an RPO, an organisation must satisfy the following criteria:

- be a self-regulatory organisation covering professionals in the mining and/or exploration industry;
- admit members primarily on the basis of their academic qualifications and professional experience;
- require compliance with the professional standards of competence and ethics established by the organisation anywhere in the World (not just within the home jurisdiction of the organisation); and
- have disciplinary powers, including the power to suspend or expel a member for breaches of professional standards of competence or ethics anywhere in the World.

The minimum membership classes required are consistent with those in other CRIRSCO reporting codes and standards and have been set at a level where the membership class is based on a system of peer scrutiny, including submission of documentation demonstrating experience and expertise and normally a professional interview, or where there is no interview PERC would need to be satisfied that the system of peer scrutiny is sufficiently robust.

Organisations wishing to be considered as RPOs and added to the list below should write to the PERC Secretary with full justification and documentary evidence that they meet the criteria outlined above.

Organisations not listed below may nonetheless be considered as RPOs provided that they meet the criteria above, but a Competent Person relying upon membership of such an unlisted organisation may be challenged and required to provide the necessary evidence to justify their acceptance.

## EUROPEAN RPOs RECOGNISED BY PERC, AND MEMBERSHIP LEVELS REQUIRED

Organisation	Minimum membership class required
The Institute of Materials Minerals and Mining (IOM3)	'Member' (MIMMM) or 'Fellow' (FIMMM)
National Associations which constitute the European Federation of Geologists (EFG)	'European Geologist' (EurGeol)
The Institute of Geologists of Ireland	'Professional Geologist' (PGeo)
The Geological Society of London (GSL)	'Chartered Geologist' (CGeol) or 'Chartered Scientist' (CSci)
Fennoscandian Association for Minerals and Metals Professionals (FAMMP)	'Member'
Iberian Mining Engineers Board (IMEB)	'Member'

## RPOs OUTSIDE EUROPE

Organisation	Minimum membership class required
OERN (Russia)	'Expert'
American Institute of Professional Geologists	(AIPG) Certified Professional Geologist
The Society of Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration, Inc.	SME Registered Member
Mining and Metallurgical Society of America (MMSA)	Qualified Professional
Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM)	Fellow or Member
Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG)	Fellow or Member
South African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy	Fellow

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<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Minimum membership class required</b>
(SAIMM)	
South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions Professional Natural Scientist (SACNASP)	Professional Natural Scientist
A self-regulatory organization of engineers, geoscientists or both engineers and geoscientists that is given authority or recognition by statute in a jurisdiction of Canada	Professional Geoscientist (P.Geo.), Professional Geologist (P.Geol), Professional Geophysicist (P.Geoph) or Professional Engineer (P.Eng)
Chilean Comision Minera (ChCM)	Current registration as a Competent Qualified Person in the relevant subject area
Mongolian Professional Institute for Geosciences and Mining (MPIGM)	Professional membership
The Professional Society of Independent Experts in Subsoil Use of the Republic of Kazakhstan (PONEN)	Professional membership
Comissão Brasileira de Recursos e Reservas (CBRR)	A Qualified Professional registered with the CBRR
Other organisations within Europe or elsewhere which have been defined as acceptable by the European Securities and Markets Authority regulations for minerals companies paragraph 133.i) a) i) 2). These may include appropriate recognised professional associations, institutions or bodies relevant to the activity being undertaken, with enforceable rules of conduct.	Any person who is professionally qualified and a member or registrant in good standing of such professional association, institution or body, who is subject to the enforceable rules of conduct, and whose membership status is based on rigorous peer scrutiny including submission of documentary evidence of experience and competence and an examination (oral or written).