

	Individual members	Institutional members	Core team
Membership Process and Instrument	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online free sign-up process via ARNEC's website, open to all ECD advocates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sign a formal agreement with ARNEC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sign a formal letter of understanding with ARNEC
Decision making and Governance			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allocated with a seat on the ARNEC Steering Committee contributing to ARNEC's decision making process Participate in face-to-face Steering Committee meetings twice a year Participate in the work planning of ARNEC enabling you to influence regional ECD agenda and priorities
Access to information and resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive regular e-newsflash information Access to ECD resources through 'member-only' section of the Network's website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive regular e-newsflash information Electronic package of various publications and knowledge products 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive regular e-newsflash information Electronic package of various publications and knowledge products Print copies of publications can be sent upon request Send your own newsletters, briefs, announcements and information to the Secretariat, which will then be shared amongst the Network members either on the Network's website or via e-mail
Visibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunity to connect with over 2,000 ECD professionals via the Community page and Social networking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feature on the Network's website with your logo, and basic description of institution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feature on the Network's website with your logo, description and other related information Full recognition on all ARNEC events, publications and resources Regarded as co-organiser of ARNEC's annual regional ECD Conferences with full acknowledgement and recognition Prime Logo placement on all Conference materials Opportunity to speak at ARNEC conferences and other ARNEC-organised events Opportunity to have a free exhibition booth during the Conference usually attended by 500-600 ECD professionals
Knowledge sharing and learning		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunity to showcase and share your ECD programme practices within the region through various activities such as Conferences and Documentation of Noteworthy Practices Better peer learning and networking opportunities with ARNEC members and partners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunity to showcase and share your ECD programme practices within the region through various activities such as Conferences and Documentation of Noteworthy Practices Better peer learning and networking opportunities with ARNEC members and partners
Collaboration and Joint Activities		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborate on joint activities (i.e., research, advocacy, documentation, capacity building) with the Network. Explore together grant and other funding opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborate on joint activities (i.e., research, advocacy, documentation, capacity building) with the Network Explore together grant and other funding opportunities Discover new partners for projects within the network
Minimum membership contribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No minimum financial contribution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No minimum financial contribution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core team members provide an annual minimum contribution to help the ARNEC network operate and implement activities



annual ARNEC Connections publication. Key priorities for research include equitable access to ECD; importance of transition; nutrition for the 'first thousand days'; issue of 'left behind children'; ECD and social cohesion; and learning through play, among others.

Documentation of ECD Noteworthy Practices

ARNEC over the years has, with support of partners, documented Noteworthy ECD Practices in the region for knowledge sharing, learning and capacity building purposes. This is an opportunity for partners to contribute to the knowledge base in the region and showcase their ECD practices.

Use of ECD tools such as EAP-ECDS Scales

The development of the East Asia Pacific Early Child Development Scales (EAP-ECDS) is a product of collaboration amongst UNICEF EAPRO, OSF, ARNEC and The University of Hong Kong (HKU) to equip stakeholders across East Asia and Pacific with a common measurement tool that can assess the holistic developmental progress of children ranging in age from three to five years. If required, as a member, ARNEC could help your country teams be trained in the use of the tool.

Jointly organise ECD Conferences at the regional and national levels

ARNEC brings together policy-makers, ECD practitioners,

academia and civil society organisations through its annual regional ECD conferences. These Conferences serve as a platform for all ECD stakeholders in the region to share, learn, and commit to a stronger ECD agenda. As a Core team or Institutional member, ARNEC can co-organise these regional Conferences with you as well as support national level ECD events.

Joint proposals for possible grants and fundraising opportunities

As a Core team or institutional member of ARNEC there could be ways to collaborate on joint proposals exploring new funding opportunities and forming new partnerships.



Interested to join ARNEC?

Do you have ideas on how you would like to collaborate with ARNEC? Then do get in touch via secretariat@arnecc.net



We invite you to be part of ARNEC!

Who we are Working together for Early Childhood

ARNEC is a network established to build strong partnerships across sectors and different disciplines, organisations, agencies and institutions in the Asia-Pacific region to advance the agenda on and investment in Early Childhood.

Today, ARNEC is one of the most extensive and fastest growing networks for Early Childhood Development (ECD) in the

Asia-Pacific region. It provides a common platform for ECD professionals from diverse sectors and professions ranging from practitioners, experts, government institutions and NGOs, as well as regional and global agencies and networks.



Our achievements over the years

For the past eight years, ARNEC has significantly contributed to advancing ECD in the Region. These achievements have largely emerged in areas related to advocacy, knowledge generation, as well as providing platforms for sharing and learning amongst members. More significantly, ARNEC has become a trusted resource in the ECD community in the Asia-Pacific Region and beyond.

Advocacy for Policy Change

ARNEC has been very active in ensuring that ECD is placed on the post-2015 global development agenda. ARNEC actively participated in key regional and global ECD discussions and advocated for holistic ECD within the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).





The Regional ECD Conferences in various countries, attended by key policy makers and ECD practitioners, held over the years 2011-2015 have collectively influenced the ECD agenda in the region feeding into the SDGs.

Knowledge Generation

ARNEC advocated for a solid evidence base for ECD policy development and programming in the Asia-Pacific region.

To name a few

- ARNEC collaborated with Hong Kong University (HKU) UNICEF EAPRO and OSF on the development of the East Asia-Pacific Early Child Development Scales (EAP-ECDs) to equip stakeholders across East Asia and Pacific with a common measurement tool that can assess the holistic developmental progress of children ranging in age from three to five years.

- Documentation of ECD Noteworthy Practices including the recent documentation of nine Innovative Pedagogical Approaches in Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) in the Asia-Pacific region.
- ECD and Peacebuilding perspectives brochure capturing children's voices and children's views on Peace.

Information Management and Dissemination

ARNEC leveraged to 'connect' the ECD community in the region introducing new technologies for learning and sharing.

- A new Regional ECD data portal ('dashboard') has been launched supported by the H&M Foundation and UNICEF with outcome and impact level indicators that measure early childhood development and well-being across multiple sectors for select countries. <http://www.devinform.org/data-dashboards/arnecc/arnecc>
- Webinars and e-discussions held covering various ECD topics
- Country profiles (for web and offline) were developed for 22 countries in the region featuring recent ECD news, quotes and children's voices as well as ECD data indicators.

Vision 2020

ARNEC charted its future directions under Vision 2020 with a renewed vision and new mission statement, including the strategic goals and outcomes we want to achieve over the next 5 years



Our Vision

ARNEC's vision guides and inspires us as a network dedicated to advancing ECD in the Asia-Pacific region: *All young children in the Asia-Pacific region realise optimal well-being and development.*

Our Mission

With ARNEC's vision guiding us, our mission will help us navigate and provide a way forward for our partners, members and stakeholders: *ARNEC shares knowledge and advocates for children's rights, inclusive and holistic ECD.*

Our Core Values

Our core values serve as our common identity and guide our behaviours and actions as we interact with each other and with partners, donors and

all other stakeholders. As we pursue our Mission, we will be guided by our core values:

- **Rights-based approaches**
- **Diversity**
- **Inclusiveness**
- **Accountability, and**
- **Partnerships**

Our Strategic Goals

ARNEC has four strategic goals which define the outcomes we want to achieve by the end of 2020. The strategic goals signify our purpose as a network. They illustrate what the Network will strategically focus on to enable ARNEC to bring about lasting and positive change in early childhood development in the region. All are interconnected; they are essential for the impact we wish to have in every country and in our network. *See table below.*

Strategic Goals

Goal 1	Goal 2	Goal 3	Goal 4
Improve advocacy for holistic and inclusive ECD	Increase knowledge-base on ECD	Increase strategic partnerships and memberships	Strengthen ARNEC's reach and impact at the country level
ARNEC will continue to engage policy makers and key stakeholders including members, advocating the holistic nature of ECD in policies and programmes, and the strong interlinkages of SDG Target 4.2 with the rest of the SDGs	ARNEC will work with partners to generate and consolidate new knowledge through research, documentation of good practices, and development of ECD tools and other resources	ARNEC will encourage more institutional and individual members ensuring full participation from highly diverse partners and members including research institutions, universities, corporations and foundations.	ARNEC will form and / or strengthen linkages and broaden partnerships with national level ECD networks and associations.

Joining the ARNEC network



During the last eight years, ARNEC has gained over 2,000 individual and 15 institutional members and continuously works in partnership with several important national/international organisations.

We hope to have you join us as a new partner.

There are many ways you can join the ARNEC network and help promote Early Childhood Development. You can be part of the Network as:



- **Individual member;**
- **Institutional member; or**
- **Core team member**

Individual membership

Anyone can join as an Individual member, who would like to help promote the cause of Early Childhood Development for the Asia-Pacific Region and beyond, connect with other ECD professionals and participate in ARNEC activities and advocacy campaigns. Individual membership with ARNEC is free and you may simply sign up online via: <http://community.arnecc.net/index.php/signup>

Institutional membership

(Requires application and formal agreement with ARNEC)

Institutional membership with ARNEC is open to any national, regional or global organisation, network, academic institution, corporation or entity which actively promotes Early Childhood Development and whose objectives align with those of ARNEC.

Core team membership

(Requires application and formal agreement with ARNEC)

Being a Core team member of ARNEC, your organisation will be part of the governance structure of ARNEC and you will be represented on ARNEC's Steering Committee. Core team organisations are vital in sustaining the network and providing financial and non-financial support.¹

Opportunities for joint activities with ARNEC



Joining as a member allows you to be part of a dynamic network and would provide benefits in terms of access to information, visibility and joint activities, among other things (see table opposite).

Joint research on significant ECD issues in the region

ARNEC will work with partners to generate and consolidate new knowledge through research, documentation of good practices, and development of ECD tools and other resources such as the

¹ Currently, the ARNEC Core Team consists of: Plan International, Save the Children and ChildFund International. While not categorized as Core team, the following organisations serve as key partners of ARNEC: UNICEF East Asia and Pacific Regional Office (EAPRO), UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia (ROSA), UNESCO Asia and Pacific Regional Office and Open Society Foundations

ARNEC sets vision for 2020 for young children in the Asia-Pacific Region

Vision

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Mission

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Core Values

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