

## CIVIT INNOVATION CLUSTER ORGANIZATION: TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP

The CIVIT Innovation Cluster Organization (CIVIT-ICO), co-funded by Business Finland and private companies, is established to develop and offer commercial test and experimentation services in the fields of imaging and visual technologies. Companies using the services can apply to become members of the cluster organization by completing the form below. Becoming a member of the cluster organization shows commitment to utilizing the services. This commitment is required to demonstrate to Business Finland that the services are needed and that they are further developed in collaboration with the cluster members. CIVIT-ICO is administratively and financially part of Tampere University.

The Applicant is asked to fill in this form, sign it, and send it as an attachment to [civit@tuni.fi](mailto:civit@tuni.fi) or via mail:

Korkeakoulunkatu 3  
33720 Tampere  
Finland

### APPLICANT FILLS

<b>Company / Research organization name</b>	<b>VAT code</b>
<b>Street address</b>	
<b>Name of contact person</b>	
<b>Email of the contact person</b>	<b>Phone number of the contact person</b>
<b>May we contact you about becoming a member of the Advisory Committee?</b> Yes: [    ] No: [    ]	

By applying to be a member of the cluster organization, the Applicant accepts the following terms of membership:

- 1      The Applicant is familiar with the cluster’s [Operating Rules](#) and agrees to follow the principles and practices.
- 2      The membership is free of charge.
- 3      Cluster members are entitled to the following benefits:
  - 3.1     Members of the cluster are eligible to be part of the Advisory Committee.
  - 3.2     Members can join Interest Groups which are a tool for promoting pre-competitive collaboration, identifying new service needs, and offering networking opportunities.
  - 3.3     Members’ service requests are prioritized in situations where there are simultaneous service requests from a member and non-member.
  - 3.4     Members have access to a pool of students for industry-academia collaboration. Information regarding thesis opportunities can be distributed to students by contacting [civit@tuni.fi](mailto:civit@tuni.fi). The thesis is a public document. If confidential information is processed in relation to the thesis, its use should be agreed in advance with the supervisor and contact person from the industry. Confidential information may be incorporated in the appendices or background data of the thesis that are not published. The student shall be reasonably compensated for the invention(s) made during the thesis work. The author of the thesis will retain copyright to their thesis.
  - 3.5     Members receive an email newsletter that includes updates from the latest imaging research conducted at Tampere University.
- 4      Indicating interest to become a member of the Advisory Committee does not guarantee a seat. Steering Group decides on the establishment of the Advisory Committee based on the received membership applications. If the Advisory Committee is formed, the Steering Group invites companies of varying sizes and backgrounds to ensure a balanced representation from the industry.
- 5      The Applicant hereby explicitly grants Tampere University the right to publicly list Applicant as a member of CIVIT-ICO, and to use the name and logo of the Applicant as a reference in marketing, promotion, and reporting of CIVIT-ICO activities to Business Finland. No other information or content of the cluster services used by the Applicant is made public without separate agreement. The Applicant has the right to publicize its membership in CIVIT-ICO, and to use the CIVIT name and logo as a reference in marketing and promotion.
- 6      The cluster membership is valid for the duration of the cluster’s existence or until the member requests resignation. For requesting resignation, the member can send an email to [civit@tuni.fi](mailto:civit@tuni.fi).
- 7      Material breach of the cluster’s Operating Rules, at CIVIT-ICO’s discretion, may result in immediate termination of the membership.

For and behalf of the company applying for membership

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Name:

Title:

Date: