



ECOA Global Network—Serving Members Worldwide

The Ethics and Compliance Officer Association (ECOA), founded in 1992, is the oldest and most-established organization of ethics, compliance, and integrity practitioners in the world. Though it is headquartered in the United States, over many years the ECOA has earned a sterling reputation as a global organization that helps its members understand their roles from a fully multilateral and multicultural perspective. It is widely regarded for promoting values-based programs as a “best practice” and a necessary complement to organizations with legalistic compliance programs. Created by and for ethics, compliance, and integrity officers—no other persons can be members or board members—the ECOA is the world leader in defining the future of its field.

With more than 1,200 members located in over-30 countries (serving employees in more than 190 countries), the ECOA offers an unmatched network of ethics, compliance, and integrity practitioners. Its members represent a truly special community that shares with one another, collaborates with one another, and learns from one another, all while collectively advancing the ethics, compliance, and integrity field to its next level. Leveraging the ECOA’s unparalleled electronic resources, its face-to-face conferences, and its distance-learning professional development courses, members help each other tackle on-the-job challenges and grow professionally.

Walking into my global role almost a decade ago, I was excited, filled with anticipation, and frankly, a little bit scared. I attended ECOA’s Sponsoring Partner Forum in San Diego, California, which changed my life, both on a personal and a professional level. I now know the meaning of being connected—having a sense of community and authentic, trust-based relationships with others facing similar challenges from around the world. From Brisbane, to Dubai, to Paris, to Cape Town, I have friends and colleagues to help and support me—something that I will always value.

— *Coeni van Beek*
Global Leader, Ethics & Business Conduct
PricewaterhouseCoopers IL
Cape Town, South Africa

ECOA’s Expanding Global Relationships

The ECOA has developed strategic relationships with numerous organizations across the globe. By establishing mutually beneficial alliances, including sharing critical global knowledge and participating in leading-edge forums, the ECOA and its international partners further the worldwide dialogue on business integrity and transnational solutions. A partial list of global relationships includes:

- *Association of Compliance Officers in Ireland*
- *Associazione Italiana Compliance*
- *Business Ethics Research Center (Japan)*
- *Cercle d’Éthique des Affaires-Cercle Européen des Déontologues (France)*
- *Ethics Institute of South Africa*
- *European Business Ethics Network*
- *The Federation of Korean Industries*
- *Institute of Business Ethics (United Kingdom)*
- *Korean Management Association*
- *Peter Drucker Society of Korea*
- *Transparency International*
- *United Nations Global Compact*
- *Université de Cergy-Pontoise (France)*
- *World Economic Forum, Partners Against Corruption Initiative (PACI)*



Serving the Unique Needs of a Global Membership

The ECOIA distinguishes itself with its global perspective. Among the benefits and services it offers members are:

- **A Global Business Interest Group:** Members around the world meet bi-monthly by teleconference—at no cost—to discuss important ethics, compliance, and integrity issues impacting their daily responsibilities.
- **ECOIA Connects:** The ECOIA's online, members-only networking and resource center features a special global portal that tracks research, surveys, articles, and reports, as well as hosts subject-specific discussion groups, of interest to members with a multinational perspective.
- **Global Strategy Committee, ECOIA Board of Directors:** To ensure the ECOIA always reflects a world view in its events and programming, the Board of Directors in 2008 created a board-level committee to define a distinct, global strategy and ensure it is reflected in all ECOIA initiatives.
- **European Business Ethics Forum (EBEF):** Along with our European alliance partners, the ECOIA co-sponsors EBEF, which attracts ethics, compliance, and integrity officers from throughout Europe and beyond.
- **ECOIA Daily News and ECOIA Weekly NewsWatch:** Members have easy, free access to current ethics, compliance, and integrity news articles written by journalists from the most highly regarded publications around the world.
- **Public affairs:** The ECOIA tracks ethics, compliance, and integrity developments worldwide and then helps its members voice their public policy views.
- **Professional education:** At the ECOIA's Annual Ethics and Compliance Conference each fall, the hundreds of registrants can choose to attend only transnational sessions via our Global Track.
- **Special global activities include:**
 - ▶ Hosting a contingent of representatives from the Korean Management Association at our 2010 Annual Ethics and Compliance Conference.
 - ▶ Annually facilitating site visits at U.S.-based ethics offices for law students from the Université de Cergy-Pontoise, France.
- **Worldwide advocacy:** ECOIA leaders travel the world visiting organizations, speaking at conferences, and participating in special events to promote expanded roles for ethics, compliance, and integrity officers.
- **Multilingual website:** Using Google Translate, ECOIA's website can be read in over-50 languages.

Applying for ECOIA Membership Is Easy

The ECOIA welcomes as members practitioners who are part of the overall team responsible for implementing their organization's ethics, compliance, integrity, governance, or social responsibility programs.

- Step 1:** Determine which type of ECOIA membership best meets your needs: Basic, Sponsoring Partner, or Full Government.
- Step 2:** Visit the ECOIA website at www.theecoa.org and complete a membership application.
- Step 3:** Within two business days, your application will be reviewed for membership eligibility and you will be contacted by an ECOIA membership representative.

Join Today!

Please call us at +1-781-647-9333 or e-mail us at membership@theecoa.org with questions.