# **MEMBERSHIP** FEE

Fairness is first priority in GPA Union. Therefore, the individual membership fee depends on the income of our members. You get union protection for only 1% of your gross income.



**Example:** If you earn EUR 1,672.45 gross, your monthly membership fee amounts to EUR 16.72.

### TAX-DEDUCTIBLE

The membership fee is fully deductible from your wage tax. Therefore, you pay less taxes (see table "wage tax advantage"). If the membership fee is directly deducted from the salary/wage (deduction from salary/wage by the employer), the tax reduction is already considered at payroll accounting.

### NOT INCLUDED IN THE MEMBERSHIP FEE

Overtime (also lump sums), vacation and Christmas bonuses, personal allowances, redundancy payments and similar payments.

### MARGINAL AMOUNT

A (maximum) marginal amount for the membership fee is calculated every year. Members can voluntarily pay a higher fee. In 2024, the monthly marginal fee is EUR 38.70.

### **OTHER MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Atypical employees (free journalists with press card, freelancers, crowd workers, trade licence holders without employees) pay 1% of their gross income and a minimum membership fee of EUR 10.00.

If the monthly income varies, the contract period – and in cases of longer contracts the last 6 months – serve as the basis for the calculation of a monthly average membership fee.

### REGULAR MONTHLY PAYMENTS LIABLE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

Salary/wage/apprenticeship compensation, dirty-work and danger bonuses, severity allowances, commissions and bonuses, termination and vacation compensations, reduced salary/wage upon part-time parental leave, partial pension.

### NON-CONTRIBUTORY PERIODS

After a paid duration of membership of at least 6 months, these periods are credited as membership periods: statutory maternity protection, parental leave for the period stipulated by law or works agreement, military or civilian service, development assistance, educational leave, full-time family hospice leave, unpaid sick leave.

### **FIXED MONTHLY FEES**

 Unemployed members, secondary membership (primary membership with another trade union), unpaid leave and early maternity protection

the marginal employment threshold)

EUR 1.80 Marginally employed employees (salary below

EUR 2.00

EUR 10.00

EUR 21.60

- · Military conscripts, civilian servants, childcare beneficiaries without prior membership EUR 1.80
- Retired employees\* EUR 5.00
- Retired journalists with press card

### **FIXED YEARLY FEES**

- EUR 12.00 School and university students
- Extraordinary membership

Please submit the **membership application** to your works council or post it to GPA Union, Service Centre, Alfred-Dallinger-Platz 1, 1030 Wien in a stamped envelope.



You can also become a member online: www.gpa.at/join-the-union

# **WAGE TAX ADVANTAGE**

| Salary/Wage<br>(Gross)                   | Membership Fee<br>1 %                                                                                                           | Wage Tax'<br>Non-Member        | Wage Tax'<br>Member  | Wage Tax <sup>*</sup><br>Saving | Actual<br>Membership Fe |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| EUR 1,700.00                             | 17.00                                                                                                                           | 34.20                          | 30.80                | 3.40                            | 13.60                   |
| EUR 2,000.00                             | 20.00                                                                                                                           | 81.30                          | 77.30                | 4.00                            | 16.00                   |
| EUR 2,500.00                             | 25.00                                                                                                                           | 185.50                         | 178.00               | 7.50                            | 17.50                   |
| EUR 3,000.00                             | 30.00                                                                                                                           | 308.40                         | 299.40               | 00.6                            | 21.00                   |
| EUR 3,870.00                             | 38.70                                                                                                                           | 550.60                         | 535.10               | 15.50                           | 23.20                   |
| If the membership<br>is already consider | If the membership fee is directly deducted from the salary/wage, the tax reduction is already considered at payroll accounting. | ted from the salary/<br>nting. | wage, the tax reduct | rion                            |                         |
| * This table is based c                  | * This table is based on the wage tax rates of 2024, status at the time of printing                                             | f 2024, status at the tim      | e of printing        |                                 |                         |



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**YOU NEVER** WORK **ALONE!** 

There ist power in the union.



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<sup>\*</sup> Exceptions apply for the legal representation in court, see www.gpa.at/rechtsschutz

# **YOUR** TRADE UNION



Barbara Teiber Chair of GPA Union

**GPA Union** is a non-partisan employees' representation based on voluntary membership. We are committed to decent working conditions, fair income and social welfare. We represent the interests of employees, apprentices, atypical employees, school and university students and retired employees.

We protect the income of hundreds of thousands of employees. Together with over 10,000 works councils, we ensure that the rights of employees are respected. With your membership you strengthen the trade union movement and you make an important contribution for decent working conditions and fair payment!

#### YOUR FAIR PAY

GPA Union negotiates about 170 collective agreements at branch level every year. The collective agreement stipulates your income and your working time. There is no statutory minimum wage in Austria and many other important labour laws matters are regulated by collective agreements only. Regular salary increases and vacation and Christmas bonuses are only possible with a strong union.

The more members support us, the stronger we are together in enforcing better salary agreements!

# **YOUR BENEFITS**



# **TOP ADVICE**

As GPA member you can count on top advice on all matters regarding your employment relationship. Our experts provide proficient answers to questions like "Do I get paid correctly?" or "Which collective agreement applies to me?".

We also support you in case of complicated issues regarding sickness, accident or pension.



## **LEGAL PROTECTION**

You can count on GPA Union as a strong partner by your side upon legal problems at work. Our experts provide qualified counselling and try to solve problems with your employer. If necessary, our legal experts represent you in court for free.

Legal protection is effective for all disputes which are directly related to your employment and don't contradict any trade union principles.\*

GPA Union wins more than EUR 50 million for its members every year!



### PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

You have insurance cover up to EUR 100,000, if you negligently cause personal or material damage relating to your employment (except for damages to your employer).



# PROFESSIONAL LEGAL PROTECION

You have insurance cover up to EUR 20,000, if you claim compensation for a damage suffered in pursuance of your professional activity.\*



## **UNEMPLOYMENT SUPPORT**

Many employees are affected negatively by economic changes. The trade union also supports its members in emergency situations.

Upon submitting a confirmation of the Public Employment Service (AMS), you receive up to EUR 200 in addition to the statutory unemployment benefit. After a membership period of 2 years, you receive the unemployment support for 3 months; after a membership period of 3 years for 6 months.

More information (in German) at: www.gpa.at/service



## **TOP INFORMATION**

The GPA membership magazine KOMPETENZ (in German) regularly brings the latest information from the world of work to your home. You also find us at www.gpa.at as well as on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube.











## **BENEFITS WITH** YOUR GPA CARD

- Shopping discounts
- Holiday offers
- Discounts on cultural events



**OGB**card

Hundreds of special offers and all details on the trade union services and benefits are available at www.qpa.at/ service (in German).

\*) Upon paid membership of at least 6 months.

# **YES! I JOIN THE UNION!**

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| Gross income:                         |                 |                   |             |                                                 |  |
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I can withdraw my consent at any time.

I pay my membership fee by (please tick as appropriate):

#### Deduction from salary/wage by the employer

I consent that my trade union fee is to be deducted from my salary/wage/apprenticeship compensation by my employer. Therefore, I give my consent that the personal data required for membership payment (the data specified overleaf and trade union affiliation, data on membership fees, collective agreement affiliation, date of entrance and leaving, leave periods, military/civilian service periods, retirement and changes in address) may be processed by my employer and the trade union, whereas I can withdraw my consent to deduction from wage/salary at any time.

| SEPA Direct Debit Mandate                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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