

What is the UNEVOC Network Manual of Operating Procedures?

Information on the general rules of engagement of member institutions are provided in the UNEVOC Network Manual of Operating Procedures (available in 6 languages www.unevoc.unesco.org/manual). It serves as a reference document for UNEVOC Centres to help them make the most of their membership.

How to join the UNEVOC Network

The UNEVOC Network is open, free of charge, to leading TVET institutions which are interested in contributing their experience and benefiting from expertise contained in one of the world's largest TVET Networks. Individuals cannot become members of the UNEVOC Network. The application follows a five step procedure which is described in detail in the Manual of Operating Procedures.

Online services of UNESCO-UNEVOC

The UNESCO UNEVOC International Centre provides the following platforms for the UNEVOC Network members. UNEVOC Centres are requested to actively participate and contribute to these platforms, such that they become a resource for all.

TVET Events: www.unevoc.unesco.org/events

The Network Portal: www.unevoc.unesco.org/networkportal

The TVET Promising Practices Database: www.unevoc.unesco.org/promising-practices

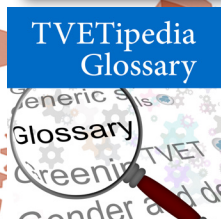
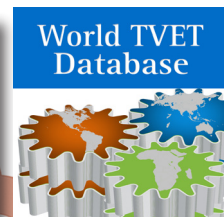
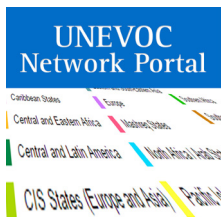
The World TVET Database: www.unevoc.unesco.org/worldtvetdatabase

TVETipedia Glossary: www.unevoc.unesco.org/tvetipediaglossary

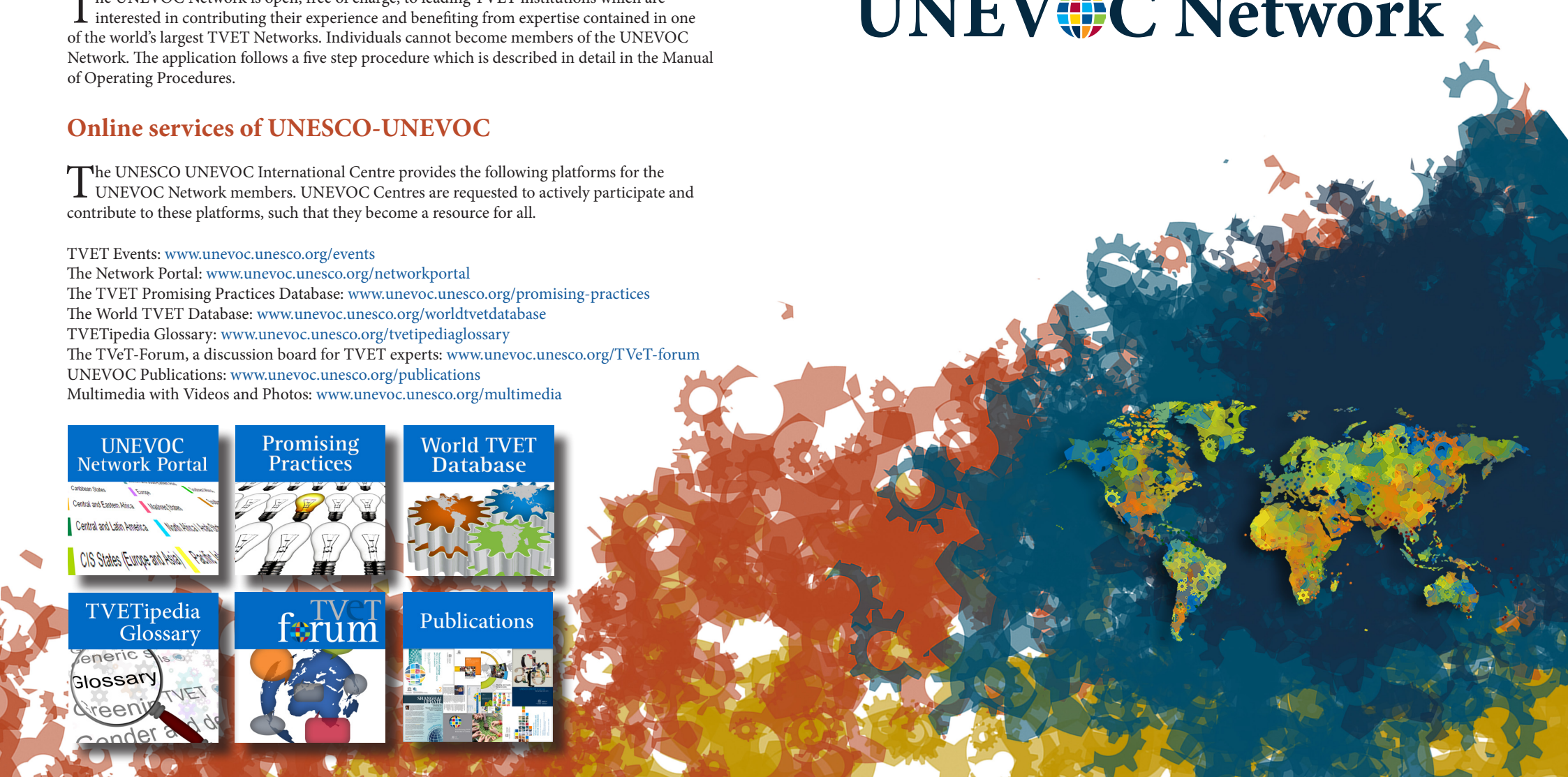
The TVeT-Forum, a discussion board for TVET experts: www.unevoc.unesco.org/TVeT-forum

UNEVOC Publications: www.unevoc.unesco.org/publications

Multimedia with Videos and Photos: www.unevoc.unesco.org/multimedia



Know your UNEVOC Network



What is the UNEVOC Network?

The UNEVOC Network is UNESCO's global network for institutions specialized in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), currently facilitating the exchange and cooperation of more than 250 institutions from about 170 member states. TVET is concerned with the acquisition of knowledge and skills for the world of work and life and is widely recognised as a driver for economic and social development and personal fulfilment. The UNEVOC Network provides an environment for exchange and mutual assistance among TVET experts, ministries and institutions worldwide.

The UNEVOC Network serves *three strategic objectives*:

- to **improve TVET systems** in Member States by promoting and fostering international collaboration and partnerships;
- to **develop the institutional and technical capacities** of UNEVOC Centres and associated TVET practitioners; and
- to **share promising practices** and innovations in TVET.

UNESCO's work focuses on *four thematic priorities*:

- addressing **youth unemployment** through TVET and skills development;
- reinforcing sustainable development through the systemic applications of **Greening TVET**;
- **gender equality** through increased access to TVET of women and girls, with particular attention to those in vulnerable situations; and
- **ICT in TVET**.

How is the UNEVOC Network structured?

UNESCO groups its Member States into five regions: Africa; Arab States; Asia and Pacific; Europe, CIS and North America; and Latin America and the Caribbean. In these regions, the UNEVOC Network is grouped in 13 clusters to facilitate its coordination.

The UNEVOC Network consists of three elements:

UNEVOC Centres are hosted by national TVET institutions. They play a leading role in the field of TVET in their countries and they both actively contribute to and benefit from the UNEVOC Network.

UNEVOC Cluster Coordinating Centres are UNEVOC Centres that assume additional coordinating tasks in a regional cluster. They have a more exposed position within the UNEVOC Network and closely collaborate with the UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre.

The **UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre** is the hub of the UNEVOC Network, with its office in Bonn, Germany. UNESCO-UNEVOC manages the UNEVOC Network, hosts the regional focal points and provides central services to the Network.

While UNESCO-UNEVOC is an integral part of Intergovernmental Organization UNESCO, the UNEVOC Network members are not UNESCO Centres.

What are the benefits of the UNEVOC Network members?

UNEVOC Network members enjoy a number of privileges and benefits:

- admission to an international knowledge network of TVET institutions
- access to international expertise and to UNEVOC resources
- opportunity to contribute to regional and international collaborative research activities and to the global debate on TVET
- benefit from mutual assistance for institutional capacity development and sharing of experiences
- opportunities to gain exposure at meetings and conferences with regional and international scope
- benefit from an increased profile in acquiring funding from national and international source

