

# Membership Application Form/Social Contract

## Welcome to the hackerspace!

So you made it to our hackerspace and you would like to share our humble facilities? In order to do so, this form will take you through some general rules and facts that you need to respect while participating in the life at the space.

## Why become a member?

Members of the **syn<sub>2</sub>cat a.s.b.l.** share several advantages, such as

- unrestricted access to the space, including possession of a key,
- the right to use tools and machinery in an unlimited way,
- possibility to shape the space as you imagine it,
- work on/initiate proper and common projects and learn from other hackers,
- etc...

But as you certainly know, with great power comes great responsibility. Our space is a vast and complex entity that needs to stay well organized and clean. By signing this form, you agree to

- hold the space in mint condition,
- refrain from any actions or activities that might harm the state or reputation of the space,
- be held responsible for actions taken or harm done by your guests, and
- adhere to the guidelines laid out in our internal regulations (cf. Appendix A)

## How to become a member?

Everybody can join the hackerspace but she or he needs to agree to the above simple rules and everything that these logically entail. Your membership application form will need to be counter-signed by a full **syn<sub>2</sub>cat** member. By handing in this form, you will enter a three-month evaluation period. The specified member will be our contact person should we not be able to reach you personally, so choose wisely!

You can (and are highly encouraged to) come to the space when at least one full member is present, to regularly follow meetings, workshops, projects or post to our mailing lists. You are welcome to participate in all these events and should rest assured that your point of view will be taken seriously! The evaluation period is intended to show you how the hackerspace works.



### What happens after 3 months?

After your period of introduction has finished, you will be granted the status of "full member" and you will be able to benefit from all the privileges that come with the membership.

#### **Privacy policy**

When you sign up as a **syn**<sub>2</sub>**cat** member, we ask you for personal information, such as your last and first name, nickname, date of birth, nationality and physical and email address. This information is collected for the sole purposes of internal record keeping and adhering to the legal requirements as specified by the Luxembourgian law on non-profit organisations (loi modifiée du 21 avril 1928 sur les associations et les fondations sans but lucratif).

Syn<sub>2</sub>cat does not sell, distribute or lease your personal information to third parties except to provide products or services you've requested and to adhere to the above-mentioned law.

You may request details of personal information which we hold about you by sending a request to the email address office@hackerspace.lu.

We take appropriate security measures to protect against unauthorized access to or unauthorized alteration, disclosure or destruction of data.

### Handing in the form

Please read and fill out the form you'll find below and have it signed by a full member, then hand it in or send it back via snail mail to

**syn₂cat a.s.b.l.** 11, rue du cimetière Pavillon "Am Hueflach" L-8018 Strassen





# **Membership Application Form**

Surname	
(Family name)	
First name	
Acronym/ Nickname	
Nationality	
Date of Birth	
Address	
E-Mail	

I hereby declare that I want to become a member of **syn<sub>2</sub>cat a.s.b.l.** and that I shall follow the hackerspace's rules of conduct. I shall give my best to be a reasonable, friendly and responsible hacker and shall bring positive impulses to the hackerspace with my presence, ideas and contributions. I agree that during the first 3 months, I shall access the space only in the presence of a full member. I shall at all times respect the facilities and leave the premises as they were before I entered them.

As a member of the **syn<sub>2</sub>cat** community I realize and respect that people come from different backgrounds, have different abilities and habits and approach problems and their solutions differently. As a result, I pledge that if there is ever disagreement I will try to resolve it in a manner that is respectful of these differences and I will strive to think carefully about the way in which I approach issues that affect other people.

Your preferred contact to syn2cat is through your mentor during the trial period The trial period end is decided by a vote in the office, else it automatically extends by 3 months The membership is only effective if the due member fees are paid.

syn2cat a.s.b.l. BIC/SWIFT: BCEELULL IBAN: LU93 0019 3255 6612 9000

Your mentor:

Place, date, mentor name and signature

New member:

Place, date, your name and signature

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# Appendix A: Guidelines

• Be excellent to each other

These are the policies to which we adhere:

# General order (noise, general use, keys)

- Law in state counts. Normally, no noise is allowed between 22h00 and 07h00 In between these hours, please respect your neighbors, you might need them sometime! ;-)
- Keys are available on request in exchange for a 10 EUR deposit.
- Nobody below the age of 18 is allowed unattended access without the written consent of a tutor or parent.

# Smoking

• The hackerspace is a non-smoking area. However, you can smoke outside. Please try to avoid the wind blowing the smoke to the entrance door or open windows and dispose of cigarette butts properly outside.

# Housekeeping

- Everybody using the hackerspace is responsible for the equipment staying in good shape. Using the kitchen infrastructure, the restrooms or any other facilities entails cleaning after use.
- All material must be returned to its proper location after use.
- Projects should be stored in your locker in between working sessions. (3 single tables can be reserved for prolonged projects which are difficult to store away by placing a yellow "Table reserved" sheet with your name and phone number attached on the table in question.)

# Food and disposal of old food

- Everybody taking food and/or drinks to hackerspace is supposed to check regularly for their expiry dates and dispose of them in the outside trashbins, in case they're no longer consumable.
- You should check to dispose waste in an appropriate waste-bin and separate trash as indicated by the many signs.

## More rules?

• There is only one more rule: Don't make any more rules necessary!

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