



World Communion of Reformed Churches

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Applying for Subsidies to the 2025 General Council

Greetings in the Name of Christ,

The World Communion of Reformed Churches is committed to full and just participation in all of its events, including to our 2025 General Council. We realize that this may necessitate the need to financially support the attendance of some delegates, most especially those who are not a part of church leadership structures. However, it should be understood that the level of support will depend on the availability of funds—and that these funds are not as readily available for the 2025 General Council as they were in 2017.

To ensure that all delegates who have need of subsidies are treated fairly we have established a set of policies:

- Subsidies will be provided to cover travel, housing, and food costs for delegates to the 2025 General Council. Visa, immunization, and other fees will not be covered.
- Prioritization will be given to women and young people (30-years-old and younger).
- Each delegate who receives a subsidy must contribute a minimum of 1000 euros: the 300 euro General Council registration fee and a 700 euro contribution fee (any additional funds would be welcome).
- All applications for subsidies are due by 31 December 2024.

If a delegate or his/her church does not have the necessary budget for the 1000 euro contribution, then it is highly recommended that they begin fundraising, either within their own contexts or by contacting ecumenical partners for support. We will soon develop resources to assist in this fundraising. Please contact us if you are interested in receiving these resources or have any questions: gc2025@wrc.eu

Please note that delegation information will be collected beginning in early 2024, but this should not prevent probable attendees from beginning their fundraising work now.

We thank you for your commitment to the Communion and ask that you keep our work and especially the preparations for the 2025 General Council in your prayers.

Blessings,

Hanns Lessing
Acting General Secretary
on behalf of the Collegial General Secretariat

Najla Kassab
President

PS The latest information on the 2025 General Council can be found here: wrc.ch/gc2025