

Questions asked during the CEO Roadshow for ASPAC members – 30 March 2022

The questions below were asked by members residing in the ASPAC region who attended the CEO roadshow on 30 March 2022. The answers were given by the relevant executives. The questions asked were all related to Member value.

MEMBER VALUE

• How does SAICA view its international membership and how do our needs feature in SAICA's planning?

In the past, the international regions were not properly configured in the way we do now with the presence of the Council. In March, the SAICA CEO, Executive: Member Engagement and the Head of Strategy met to discuss a strategic way forward to ensure our international members are properly engaged and that we deliver a service based on their requirements.

In April, there will be communication from SAICA to members, requesting their feedback on the initiatives they would like to undertake. We should then be able to incorporate members' ideas into the planning process for Member Engagement initiatives.

It is SAICA's priority to find out from the members themselves which initiatives and events they'd like to see us offer. We encourage you to engage with this communication to ensure your voice is heard.

• Please reiterate the point about CAANZ?

In terms of the agreement SAICA has with CAANZ, a SAICA member can become a member of CAANZ once they move to the ASPAC jurisdiction, but there is no obligation for the member to remain a SAICA member.

However, all the other reciprocal arrangements we have are focused on dual membership with the local institute and SAICA.

Currently, this clause (allowing dual membership) is not incorporated in the Australian agreement due to the nature of domestic laws in Australia preventing such an agreement.

We will continue engaging with CAANZ to determine a way of finding a solution to this challenge. It is important to SAICA that our members retain their membership with us.

Currently, when members from the ASPAC region resign from SAICA, we speak to them to ensure they understand the benefits of retaining their SAICA membership. Based on some of our members' feedback, retaining SAICA membership is more advantageous than joining CAANZ.