

ASSOCIATION!



- FOUNDED IN 1992 -

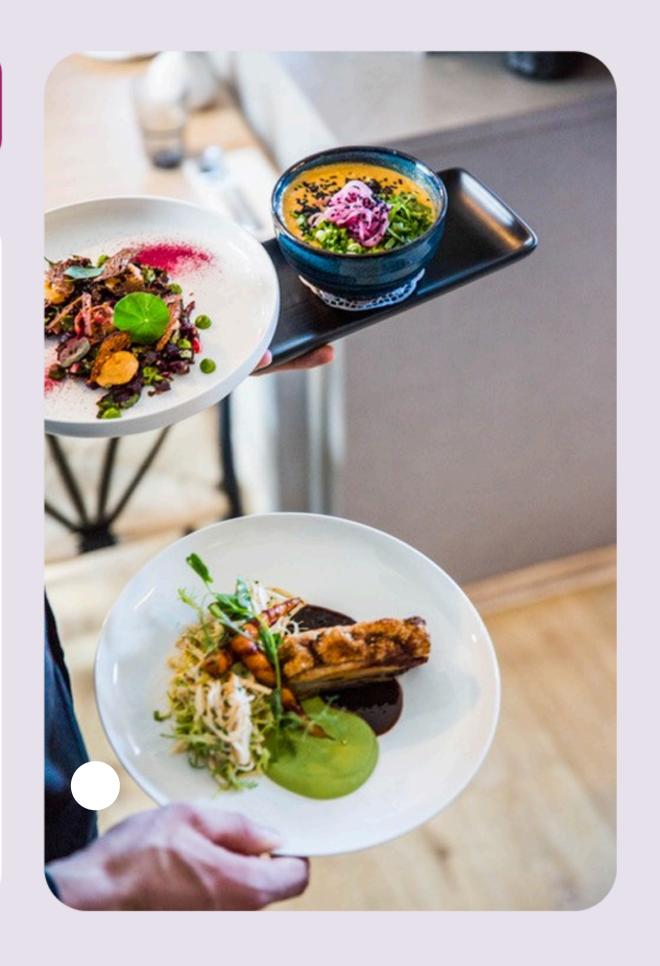
#### WELCOME!

#### **Estonian Hotel and Restaurant Association**

AN EMPLOYERS' UNION WITH THE GOAL OF ADVOCATING FOR THE INTERESTS OF COMPANIES IN ITS SECTOR.

Our mission is to create a modern and business-friendly economic environment, promote fair competition, enhance the reputation of the sector and increase professionalism by contributing to the development of education.

Established by entrepreneurs in 1992





The activities of EHRA are fully funded by membership fees.

Today, more than 90 hotels, over 70 restaurants and 30 supporting members contribute to the association's activities.

Through the support of its members, the entire Estonian hospitality sector benefits from EHRA-s efforts.





## Government

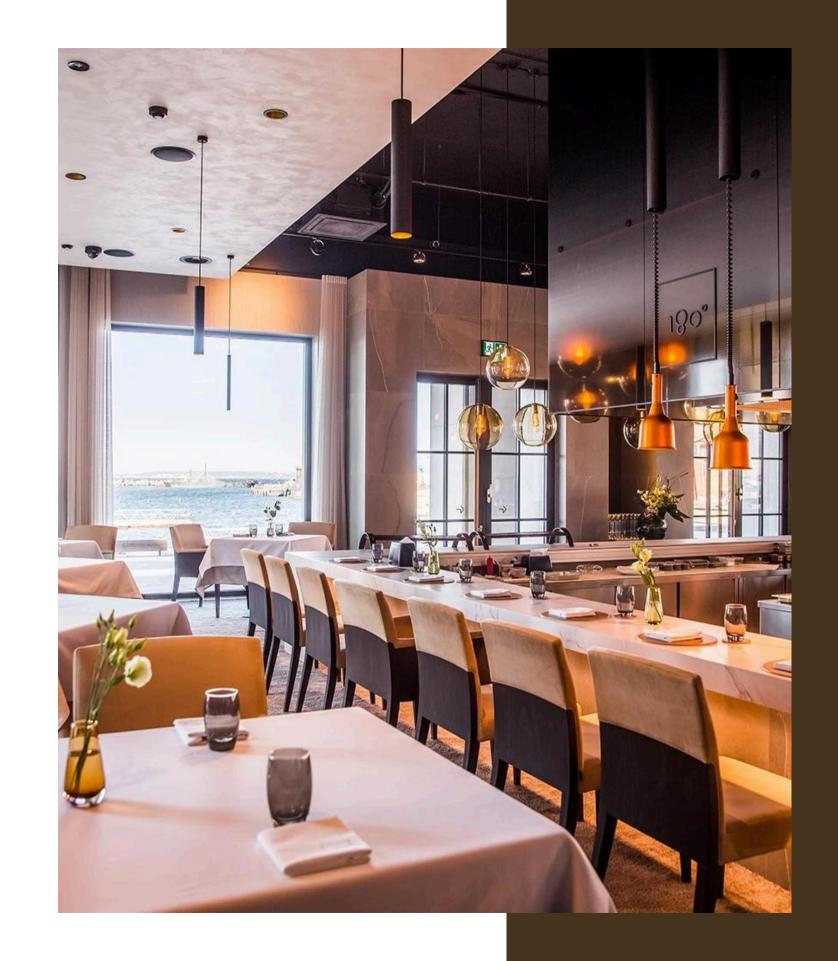
- We advocate for the interests of the sector by engaging with representatives of the government.
- We participate in politics both as a driving force for legislative changes and, when necessary, by intervening in planned amendments.
- We ensure that our sector remains "in the picture" and is recognized as an important part of the economy.
- Our focus areas include tax issues (such as VAT on accommodation and catering), flexible employment contracts and reducing undeclared wages (envelope wages).



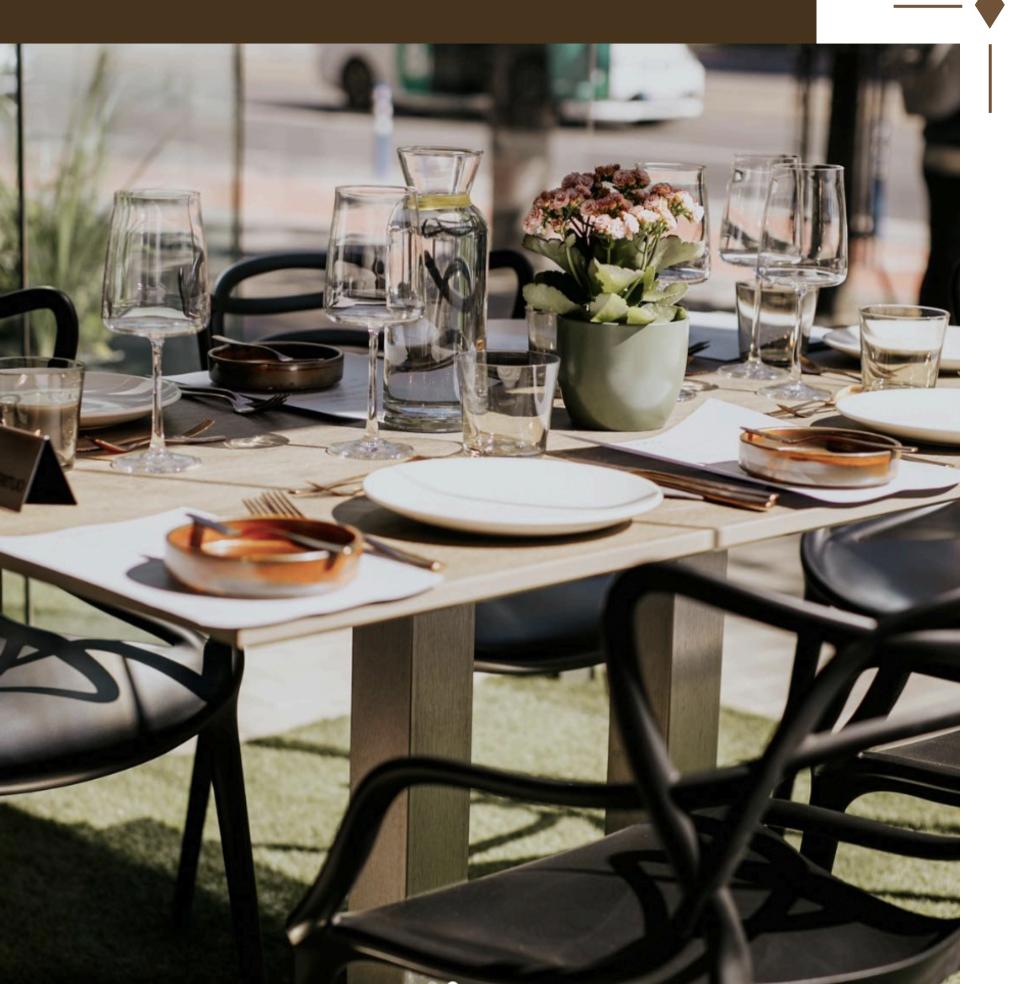


## Education

- Collaboration with vocational and higher education institutions to develop curricula that meets the sector's expectations.
- EHRA-recognized internship bases and guidelines for accepting interns.
- Supplementary and basic training for employees (utilizing various funding opportunities).
- Promotion and reputation building for the industry.
- EEK Mainor scholarship.







### Cooperation

- We encourage communication and exchange of experiences among industry entrepreneurs by organizing various events.
- We collaborate with other tourism associations in Estonia and hospitality sector associations across Europe.
- The Hospitality Cluster has been established within EHRA to promote Estonian food culture more widely across the world.
- We work with Estonian Business and Innovation Agency (EAS) and are members of HOTREC, Hotelstars Union,
  The Estonian Employers' Confederation and Estonian
  Chamber of Commerce and Industry.



## Star classification

EHRA is the representative of the international qualification system Hotelstars Union in Estonia.

To date, 21 European countries have joined Hotelstars Union, where standardized qualification requirements apply.







### Member benefits

- EHRA gift card an additional sales opportunity
- EHRA member discount a member-to-member campaign allowing employees of member companies to experience hospitality
- EHRA membership badge
- Recognized base for internship companies
- Networking opportunities with leaders and specialists in the field
- Participation in working groups and contributing to the development of the sector
- Discounts from the Estonian Authors' Society, Estonian Association of the Phonogram Producers and other partners
- Fast and efficient information exchange
- Trainings and seminars



## Supporting member

A company for whom businesses in our sector are important partners and who wishes to contribute to the broader development of the hospitality sector through membership.

#### **Opportunities in EHRA:**

- participation in events
- Direct marketing opportunities to decision-makers
- Industry-specific training and seminars for members
- Product development in collaboration with the sector
- Company information listed on the EHRA website

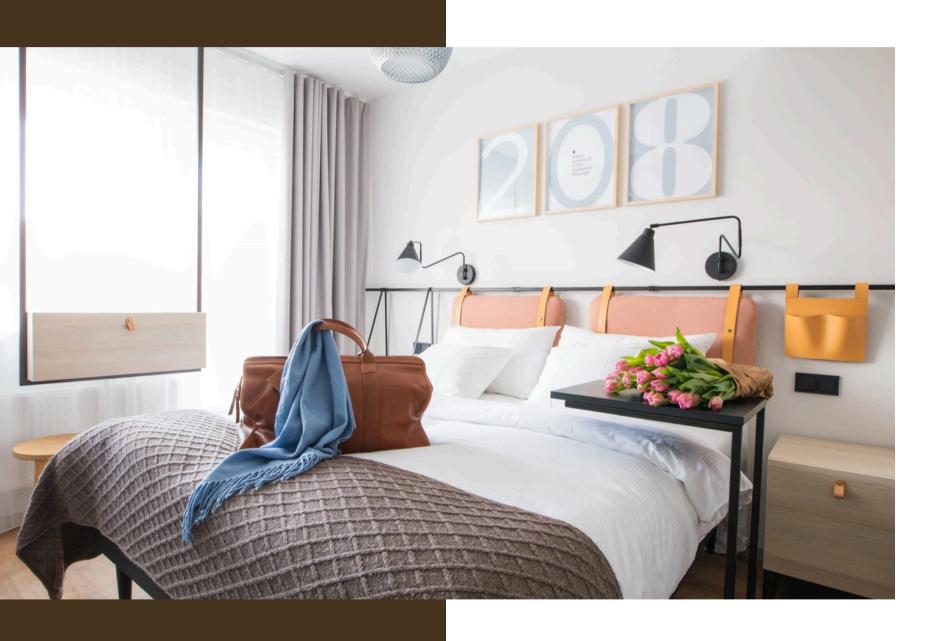
# Annual membership fee

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• billing on a monthly or semi-annual basis







## Hotel membership fee

- Minimum annual fee 350 €
- Level 1\* and equivalent (hostel) 8.9 € per room
- Level 2\*\* and equivalent 10.5 € per room
- Level 3\*\*\* and equivalent 12.2 € per room
- Level 4\*\*\*\* and equivalent 14.6 € per room
- Level 5\*\*\*\* and equivalent 16.3 € per room



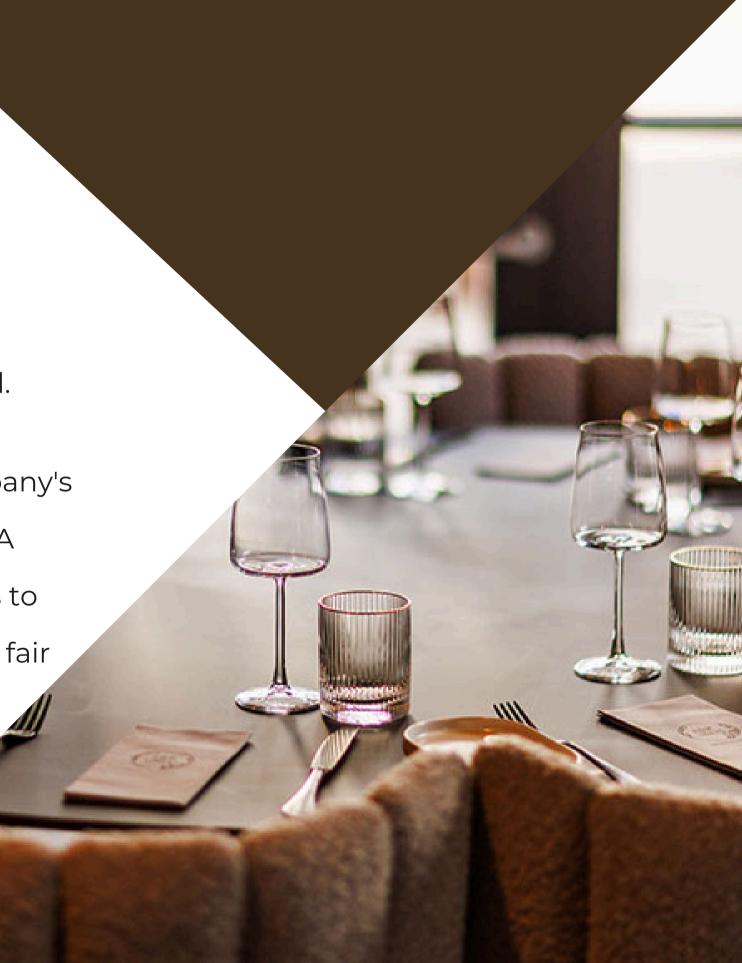
# Joining EHRA

You can submit your membership application online at:

https://ehrl.ee/en/become-a-member/. For supporting members, a recommendation from a current member of the association is required.

After submitting the application, EHRA will request access to the company's tax compliance and payment reliability assessments through the e-MTA (Estonian Tax and Customs Board e-services) system. This process aims to maintain the association's good reputation and supports our efforts for fair competition.

The acceptance of a new member is confirmed by the EHRA board.



"Through EHRA, the voice of our sector has reached far and we have been able to prevent incorrect decisions. Additionally, EHRA facilitates positive reputation building and collaboration with educational institutions."

Source: EHRA Member Satisfaction Survey 2023





The Estonian Hotel and Restaurant Association is as strong as its members.

Together, we develop the hospitality sector more effectively and achieve more!

#### **BECOME A MEMBER!**

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