

Member of the Energy Institute (MEI) Guidance for applicants

What is Member of the EI (MEI)?

The MEI grade is for professionals working in every part of the energy sector.

We welcome applications from all disciplines – engineers, energy managers, environmentalists, consultants, technicians, academics, lawyers, financiers, policy makers, data analysts and scientists. What's most important is that energy is a major focus of your role, and you can show that you are contributing to the energy industry.

Becoming an MEI gives you formal recognition of your knowledge, skills and expertise in energy, as well as your achievements in a responsible role. Together with professional recognition, it helps you connect with others, contribute to industry, gain a wider perspective, and access personal and professional support.

The EI's purpose is to create a better energy future for all, by accelerating a just global energy transition to net zero. Members of the EI are united in helping to achieve this goal.

Eligibility

To apply for **MEI** you must:

- Have at least 4 years' working experience in energy (this can include time spent completing a PhD, provided applicants have at least 1 years' working experience in energy post-PhD).
- Hold a minimum of a Bachelor's degree (e.g. BSc, BEng, BTech) or equivalent qualification in a relevant subject.
- Be in a responsible role which requires the use of independent professional judgement and expertise.
- Agree to abide by the EI's Code of Professional Conduct.
- Agree to commit to maintaining your continuous professional development (CPD) in future.
- Complete an application form and submit along with your CV and details of one referee, for which there is more guidance below.

Individuals who do not hold a Bachelor's degree or equivalent but do have relevant working experience may be considered for the Member grade based upon their work-based learning.

Individuals who do not yet meet the criteria should consider applying for the grade of **Associate Member (AMEI)** and work towards gaining the necessary experience.

Your CV

You will need to submit a copy of your CV with your application, clearly showing your experience in the energy sector. Your CV should be no more than 3 pages long.

Your Statement

This is a vital part of your application. Your statement should provide an overview of your energy specific roles to date, including the level of responsibility you have held for projects and people, and how you have contributed to the energy sector in your discipline.

Some general tips:

- Include specific examples and give an indication of dates.
- Write in the first person (I led this, I developed that...) Your statement is about you, not your team or organisation. Highlight what you personally did and achieved.
- Do not simply copy and paste content from your CV. It should be more of a personal statement, written in continuous prose.
- When writing about your experience with projects and people, this can include coordinating, collaborating, managing your own work, contributing to projects of all sizes, developing new processes, introducing innovations, managing or mentoring. We are not expecting you necessarily to have managed large teams, departments or entire organisations.
- There are no interviews so make sure you get your points across in a clear and concise way.
- Include relevant facts and figures if applicable.
- Do not go over the maximum word count.

Your Referee

Please add details of your referee on the application form. The EI may contact your referee to verify your assertions with respect to your knowledge, training and experience. Please pick someone who knows you and is familiar with your work, for example a Line Manager or Director. Your referee does not necessarily need to be a Member of the EI.

What are the benefits of becoming an MEI?

- Formal recognition of your knowledge, skills and achievements in energy.
- Use of the MEI post-nominals.
- Ability to take the next step and apply for chartered status.
- Access to a myriad of training options via EI Academy.
- Network with other energy professionals at regional and international EI events.
- Become a mentor or mentee on *EI Connect* mentoring platform.
- Record and track your CPD via online *mycareerpath* system.
- Discounts on events, training courses and technical publications.
- Access countless knowledge resources via our e-library.
- Receive a weekly digital magazine *New Energy World*, and monthly e-newsletter.
- Option to subscribe for free to quarterly hard copy version of the magazine.
- Give back by volunteering, speaking at conferences or joining specialist committees.

Thank you

Good luck with your application and thank you for applying to become part of the Energy Institute's growing energy community. If you have any questions, please contact us at professionals@energyinst.org.