



Green Office Movement membership offer 2025

The Green Office Movement (GOM) connects and empowers student and staff collaborative action on environmental sustainability within universities. Membership of the movement is coordinated by Students Organizing for Sustainability International (SOS-International). In 2024, there are over 80 Green Offices globally. Of these, 31 are (paid) members of the SOS-International GOM program, receiving additional pro-active support from SOS-International.

This document outlines the membership offer for 2025, including the proposed activity program, support packages and pricing structure. Please note that there is significant opportunity for new and bespoke activity, particularly workshops and dedicated support for Green Offices, both online and in-person. We encourage collaborative events organized at a national or regional level between Green Offices that are aligned geographically, or around specific shared development aspirations (or challenges faced). We welcome ideas and proposals from across the movement for incorporation into the active program where feasible.

The membership year runs from January to December; however, members can join at any point in the year. A pricing table for 2025 membership and activity is included on page 5. New member (or renewal) invoices are raised by SOS-UK with individual Green Offices following sign-up.

1. Paid member activity program and support package

SOS-International will support 2025 GOM members with the activities set out here. All activity described here is included with membership unless otherwise stated.

1.1 Member network calls

These 1-hour sessions take place monthly via Microsoft Teams up to ten times per year (there is a break in the calls during July and August during the core vacation period). The calls are hosted by the SOS-International team, with a specific agenda with a workshop or webinar-type topic for each meeting. Updates and events from around the movement are promoted on the calls and they provide a conduit for members to share best-practice, exchange ideas and strategize for collective benefit. The member network calls are open to all staff and students within the member Green Offices. Sample topics for 2025-member network calls are listed below and we welcome input and suggestions from members:

- Engaging stakeholders outside the university campus.
- Raising our profile via the Green Office Movement alumni network.
- Designing governance structures to maintain a strategic mandate for the Green Office.

1.2 Individual Green Office support check-ins

One-to-one support calls for all paying member Green Offices with the SOS-International team. These 1-hour calls are available twice a year (more if needed), with an initial meeting in January/February and an autumn meeting in September/October to review progress for the year and plan for the following year. These calls provide strategic support to Green Offices, discussing priorities, challenges and future visions. We will use these calls to ensure that our overall direction and support package moves the membership and movement forward, reaching our shared ambitions for growing student-led sustainability work in higher education. These meetings also directly inform the planning for workshops, webinars and the annual summit.

1.3 GOM member platform and resource hub

Now hosted on Microsoft Teams for ease of access and integration to Microsoft Office applications. All staff and students from member Green Offices will be provided with access to the Microsoft Teams environment and (file) resource hub via SOS-UK guest accounts. This is a space for interactive member collaboration; to connect, share files, photos from recent events and to hold 'forum style' discussion between the monthly member network calls. The resource hub contains a wealth of folders and files to support new and establishing Green Offices with their setup and development. It is also a space for the established Green Offices to collaborate on strategic planning and development documents or those relevant to upcoming projects and events. Updates are regularly shared with members on Teams and the interactive environment enables members to post questions directly to the SOS-International team.

2. Wider Green Office Movement activities available to all Green Offices worldwide

SOS-International aims to support the wider Green Office Movement, including non-paying members or aspirational Green Offices. The following activities are open to all Green Offices worldwide.

2.1. Monthly Green Office Movement newsletter

Every month the SOS-International team compile and circulate a newsletter dedicated to the Green Office Movement. This is freely available across the movement and includes information on all the latest news events and opportunities for staff and students in the Green Office sector.

2.2. GOM website

The Green Office Movement website provides a range of free tools for all. This includes resources to support sustainability activities at your university and a free online course to assist you with the journey towards starting a Green Office.

2.3. SOS-International Summit (member rates available)

This annual in-person conference brings together students, staff and wider stakeholders from across the sustainability in higher education agenda. The 2025 summit will be hosted by Green Office Ghent on 8th and 9th May 2025.

Green Office Movement program membership provides Green Office staff and students with access to member ticket prices for the full 2-day summit package and add-on activities.

2.4. Green Office Movement online or in-person workshops (member rates available)

As our conversations with Green Offices develop throughout the year ahead, we will respond to emerging calls to action for bespoke online and in-person workshops, with individual Green Offices, or delivered collectively between regional clusters. Our workshops connect the Green Offices with wider SOS-International member organizations and take a global perspective on strategic matters related to sustainability in higher education. Workshops will focus on themes relevant to the Green Office vision, enabling the Green Office Movement to thrive and individual Green Offices to connect and collaborate on projects that meet their objectives and development plans.

Workshops and training we can offer include (but are not limited to):

- Biodiversity: engaging your university in climate and nature positive projects.
- Stakeholders: building coalitions inside and outside the institution for transformative education and climate action.
- Circular economy: embedding circular practices into resource consumption in the education sector.
- Establishing a new Green Office or achieving Green Office status for existing HE program or activity mobilizing students for environmental justice.
- Green Office vision: evolving the vision to maximize cross-sector (and global) replicability of the Green Office model in an increasingly busy higher education sustainability space.

Additional themes for these will be responsive to live-issues and conversations across the movement.

We are keen to work with Green Offices to shape the training and support you need. Bespoke packages can be developed through discussion. Please get in touch with us at contact@sos.earth for more information.

3. Activities under development for 2025

We are currently developing the following new activities for 2025:

- 3.1. Green Office Movement coordinator symposium (member rates available)**
New for 2025, this 2-day gathering in 2025 will bring together Green Office coordinators for a planning and networking event. The symposium will be based at a Green Office campus and facilitated by SOS-International. During the 2-day intensive program, Green Office coordinators will take part in strategic workshops focused on building impact, recognition and profile of the Green Office movement inside and outside the higher education setting. This workshop will give us the opportunity to elaborate on ideas submitted to SOS-International earlier in 2024 via the Green Office Movement survey. We will specifically work on a 2030 vision for our network, including how the model can evolve with the pace of sustainability in higher education and external forces. A third day (optional) will include an excursion to a local natural/regional park relevant to the host location.
- 3.2. SOS-International sustainability and leadership program (member rates available)**
New for 2025, this week-long intensive and transformative learning experience is aimed specifically at Green Office students. Scheduled for July 2025, based in Switzerland. Delegates will explore the complexity of the polycrisis (climate, ecological and social justice) and collectively navigate leadership solutions for the future. The setting for the program enables place-based exploration of interconnected issues of heritage, recreation, agriculture and society. The aim of the program is to equip students with skills, knowledge and attributes to lead on the sustainability agenda inside and outside their home institution, now and in future careers. Green Offices provide the ideal space for students to engage with institutional leaders and policy makers. Participants will feel inspired and prepared to construct strong coalitions for influencing policy and holding their institution to account on their sustainability goals.
The program will be facilitated by the SOS-International membership and engagement manager and includes indoor and outdoor activities. We will work to ensure this is a fully inclusive and accessible as possible, meeting the needs and abilities of participants. Within the core 5-day program, there is an overnight excursion to a mountain cabin; to experience first-hand the impacts of climate and ecosystem change on this fragile landscape. This will include summer hiking in the mountains. No prior knowledge or experience required, just curiosity and general interest in nature.

We welcome feedback from Green Offices on these activities under development, specifically on timing and anticipated interest levels across the movement. As more details emerge on plans and pricing, they will be shared with the movement via the newsletter, including a discussion at the December network call.

4. Membership pricing structure

Our 2025 pricing structure to enables us to provide a consistent level of support across the membership. The modest price increases from 2024 reflect administrative and inflationary increases. Our solidarity-based pricing model aims to engage as many Green Offices as possible through a scaled and affordable approach. If your Green Office is struggling with budgets or if you are an individual student or staff member seeking to start a Green Office at your University, please get in touch with us on contact@sos.earth so that we can discuss other ways that we can collaborate and support your work.

2025 membership prices

Membership type	2025 Rate (GBP)	Notes
Gold	950	Well-resourced and long-established Green Office, integrated into university structures and governance.
Silver	700	Established Green Office that has consolidated its position within university structures and governance.
Bronze	450	New Green Office with small staff/student team and limited budget.
Reduced	200	Green Office facing financial challenges with limited staff/student team and/or reduced support from the University.

Workshop pricing (section 2.4)

Example member and non-member prices for specific or additional activities within the workshop category described in section 2.4. Please note, pricing may vary for workshops delivered collectively or collaboratively, bringing together several Green Offices in a regional cluster (offering the opportunity for cost savings). For in-person workshops, facilitator travel costs to/from the workshop venue will also apply.

Activity / package	2025 member rate (GBP)	2025 non-member rate (GBP)
Bespoke GO workshop, online, half-day	450	500
Bespoke GO workshop, in-person, full-day	995	1,050