Section 4.2 of the SDR Forum’s Bylaws states that the Board of Directors shall “establish … the qualifications, rights, preferences and privileges for each member class”. The following presents these rights as approved by the SDR Forum Board. Where relevant, member rights defined in the SDR Forum bylaws take precedence.

1. All member classes shall be afforded the same rights, preferences, and privileges.

2. Member organizations shall have the exclusive right to initiate new projects within the SDR Forum following an approved process.

3. Member organizations shall have the exclusive right to make input submissions to the SDR Forum for consideration by the Forum following an approved format.

4. Member organizations shall have the right to participate in the technical, regulatory and markets committees and their subordinate groups.

5. All member organizations shall have the right to vote on SDR Forum work products at the committee and plenary level, following an approved document balloting process. Voting shall be one vote per organization at the committee and plenary level.

6. Representatives of member organizations shall have the exclusive right to hold leadership positions within the SDR Forum, including acting as chair and co-chair of work groups, task groups, and special interest groups.

   Member representatives holding leadership positions shall have the right to establish policies and procedures to be followed within their respective work group, special interest group, task group or other project group, subject to appeal by dissident group participants to the Governance Committee. Eligibility for balloting at the group level will be limited to active member organizations only, with one vote per member representative. No member organization shall be denied the right to actively participate at the group level.

7. Member organizations shall have exclusive access to member-only documents and newsletters.
8. Member organizations shall have the right to receive member-only discounts on SDR Forum activities and events and on third party reports, conferences, studies, and other promotional items as negotiated.

9. Member organizations shall have the exclusive right to participate in member-only activities and events sponsored by the SDR Forum, as designated by the CEO or Board of Directors.

10. Member organizations shall have the exclusive right to represent themselves and be recognized as SDR Forum members. Member organizations may use a designated “member’s” logo.

11. Member organizations shall have the right to have relevant events for which they are a named sponsor to be listed on the SDR Forum Calendar of Events.

12. Member organizations shall have the right to present their organization in an SDR Forum membership directory. Such presentation shall not constitute endorsement by the SDR Forum of any member organization’s technologies, products or services.

13. A member organization may designate a contractor to exercise its rights on behalf of that organization.

14. A member organization may designate a proxy to exercise its vote on a specific proposal.