



International Commission on Occupational Health

About ICOH



The International Commission on Occupational Health (ICOH) is an international non-profitmaking, non-political, multidisciplinary scientific organisation whose sole purpose is to foster the scientific progress, knowledge and development of occupational health and related subjects on an international basis.

(Constitution, Article 1, Section 1)

About ICOH

ICOH provides a forum for scientific and professional communication. To achieve this purpose, the ICOH:

- sponsors international congresses and meetings on occupational health;
- establishes scientific committees in various fields of occupational health and related subjects;
- disseminates information on occupational health activities;
- issues guidelines and reports on occupational health and related subjects;



About ICOH

- collaborates with appropriate international and national bodies on matters concerning occupational and environmental health;
- takes any other appropriate action related to the field of occupational health;
- solicits and administers such funds as may be required in furtherance of its objectives.

(Constitution, Article 1, Section 2)





Malachia De Cristoforis

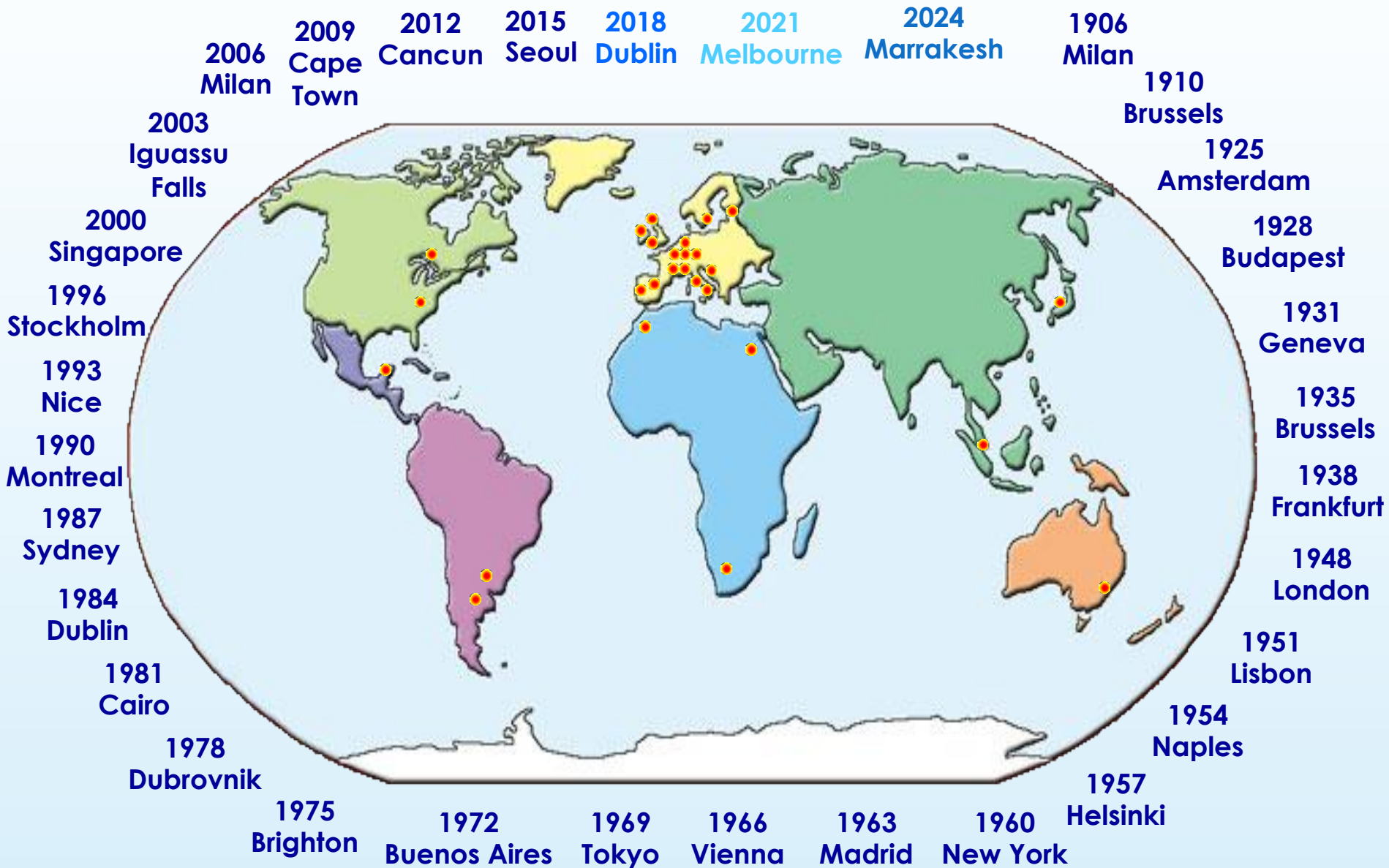
1906 Milan



First International Congress for Occupational Health

Foundation of International Permanent
Commission for Occupational Health

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES ON OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH



12th International Congress for Occupational Health Helsinki – 1957

Abolition of the numerous clauses
for national delegation membership
has increased from 190 to 1127 and
the countries represented
have increased from
36 to 71.

21th International Congress for Occupational Health 1984 - Dublin

The Permanent Commission and International
Association of Occupational Health
becomes International Commission on
Occupational Health (ICOH).
New professional groups participate:
industrial medical officers,
occupational health specialist, etc.

Seoul Statement on the Development of Occupational Health Services for All

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The 31st International Congress on Occupational Health, ICOH 2015, was organized by the International Commission on Occupational Health, ICOH, the Korea Occupational Safety and Health Agency, KOSHA, and the Korean Society of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, KSOEM, from 31 May to 5 June 2015 in Seoul, Republic of Korea. The Congress approved a 'Seoul Statement on the Development of Occupational Health Services for All'.

Recalling that decent conditions of work, occupational health and occupational safety constitute a basic human right of workers as declared by the ILO International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of working people (1966), the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work (1998), the Centennial Declaration of the International Commission on Occupational Health, ICOH (2006) and the Seoul Declaration on Safety and Health at Work adopted by the ILO, ISSA, KOSHA and ICOH together with a high number of other Non-Governmental and Professional Associations (2008),

Emphasizing that in spite of positive developments of occupational safety and health particularly in industrialized countries, over three quarters of workers of the world live and work in developing and transitory countries, often working in high risk occupations in both formal and informal sectors, without adequate protection by occupational health and safety law and lacking social protection and access to occupational health services. Such gaps in prevention and protection lead to 2.3 million deaths among the workers of the world every year.

Keeping in mind that the ILO Convention No. 161 on Occupational Health Services and the WHO Global Strategy on Occupational Health for All, as well as the Cancun Charter by the ICOH (2012), call for organization of occupational health services for all working individuals and all occupations, without exclusion of any group of workers, economic sectors, including the informal sector, or workers in contracted or self-employment.

Taking into consideration that new challenges, risks and hazards continuously emerge, due to changes in economic structures, transfer of technologies, demographic changes, migration and social dynamics. The management of and adjustment to the continuous change need active sharing of information, the effective use of existing knowledge, and the generation of new research on occupational health.

Recognizing that a growing body of research evidence speaks for positive economic and productivity impact of occupational health services, due to prevention of loss by accidents and diseases, sickness absenteeism and disabilities, and through facilitation of production processes.

Reminding that according to the principles of the ICOH International Code of Ethics for Occupational Health Professionals, protection and promotion of workers' health is a professional, ethical and social imperative for all occupational health professionals and for the international occupational health community.

the 31st ICOH Congress states the following:

1. Policies

Every government in collaboration with social partners should, as a part of their stewardship, draw up necessary regulations, strategies and programmes for national policies on occupational health and occupational health services by using the international guidance provided by the ILO Convention No. 161, Recommendation No. 171 on Occupational Health Services and the WHO Global Strategy on Occupational Health for All. Such policy should aim at the provision of services for all, with full coverage without exclusion of any group or sector of work life.

2. Implementation

Implementation of occupational health policies should be based on legislation, with appropriate governance structures, well-defined rights and responsibilities, establishment and strengthening of the occupational health system and respective infrastructures, and sufficient resources and financing for services. Special measures, multiple service provision models, including primary health care, and support should be developed for organization of occupational health services for small-scale enterprises, the self-employed and the informal sectors. Public occupational health services should be provided for the underserved sectors. Where front-line services are of limited scope, usually occupational medicine and nursing, they should be reinforced by secondary level support services.

3. Content and activities

The content and activities of occupational health services at the workplace level include prevention and management of physical, chemical, biological and ergonomic factors, prevention of occupational diseases and injuries, prevention of excessive work load, and work life constraints, promotion of health and work ability, rehabilitation and return to work, as well as first aid and curative services. Such services should be adjusted to the health needs of working people, by taking into consideration the existing hazards and responding to the needs of various groups of workers, including young, female, ageing and migrant workers and various types of vulnerable groups.




...the signing at ICOH 2015




Dublin Statement on Occupational Health


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FACULTY OF
OCCUPATIONAL
MEDICINE
Member of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland



INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH
ICOH



ROYAL
COLLEGE OF
PHYSICIANS
OF IRELAND

Dublin Statement on Occupational Health

New Avenues for Prevention of Occupational Cancer and Other Severe Occupational Health Hazards

Preamble

The 32nd International Congress on Occupational Health, ICOH 2018, was organized by the International Commission on Occupational Health, ICOH and the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland, Faculty of Occupational Medicine, in Dublin on 29 April–4 May 2018.

Recalling

- the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, particularly Sustainable Development Goals Nos. 1, 3, and 8;
- the 66th UN General Assembly Resolution 16 September 2011 Political declaration of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases;
- the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, adopted by the 86th International Labour Conference on 15 June 2010; ILO Conventions No. 155 of 1981 and No. 187 of 2006 on Occupational Safety and Health and Convention No. 161 on Occupational Health Services of 1985, ILO Asbestos Convention No. 162 of 1986, Occupational Cancer Convention No. 139 of 1974 and the ILO Resolution of 1 June 2006 concerning asbestos; and
- the 58th World Health Assembly Resolution No. WHA58.22 on Cancer Prevention and Control of 2005 including provisions for prevention of cancer at the workplace related to exposures to chemicals, tobacco smoke, certain infectious agents, solar and ionizing radiation and taking into consideration the 70th WHA Resolution 70.32 of 2017 on cancer prevention and control in the context of an integrated approach;

Considering



...the signing at ICOH 2018

ICOH 2021

ICOH2021
MELBOURNE

33rd ICOH CONGRESS 2021

Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre
21st – 26th March 2021
www.icoh2021.org

Theme:
Sharing Solutions in Occupational Health:
Locally, Regionally, Globally



Hosted by:
Australia and New Zealand Society of
Occupational Medicine



ICOH 2024

34th International Congress on Occupational Health



Marrakesh, Morocco was elected to host the Congress

Presidents and Secretaries General from ICOH foundation

Presidents

M. De Cristoforis	1906 – 1915
L. Devoto	1915 – 1936
D. Gilbert	1936 – 1940
T. Stowell	1948 – 1951
P. Mazell	1951 – 1954
S. Forssman	1954 – 1969
L. Noro	1969 – 1975
E. Vigliani	1975 – 1981
R. Murray	1981 – 1987
S. Hernberg	1987 – 1993
J. F. Caillard	1993 – 2000
B. Knave	2000 – 2003
J. Rantanen	2003 – 2009
K. Kogi	2009 – 2015
J. Takala	2015 –

Secretaries General

L. Carozzi	1906 – 1957
E. Vigliani	1957 – 1975
R. Murray	1975 – 1981
L. Parmeggiani	1981 – 1988
J. Jeyaratnam	1989 – 2000
K. S. Chia	2000 – 2003
S. Iavicoli	2003 –

ICOH Governmental Partners



World Health Organization

International Labour Organization



ICOH Non Governmental Partners



**International Ergonomics
Association**

**International Social
Security Association**



**International Occupational
Hygiene Association**

Members in Good Standing

Membership type	2017
Active (A)	1676
Retired (R)	20
Honorary (H)	25
Emeritus (E)	218
Affiliate (AFF)	17
Sustaining (SUS)	20
Total	1976

+ 2.86%
increase
since 2015

Last update Dec 31, 2017

Members per country

1,976

COUNTRY	NUMBER	COUNTRY	NUMBER
1) USA	119	7) Finland	71
2) Japan	118	8) Australia	59
3) Italy	117	9) Mexico	56
4) Peru	103	10) Rep. of Korea	55
5) India	100	11) South Africa	52
6) Brazil	83	12) France	48

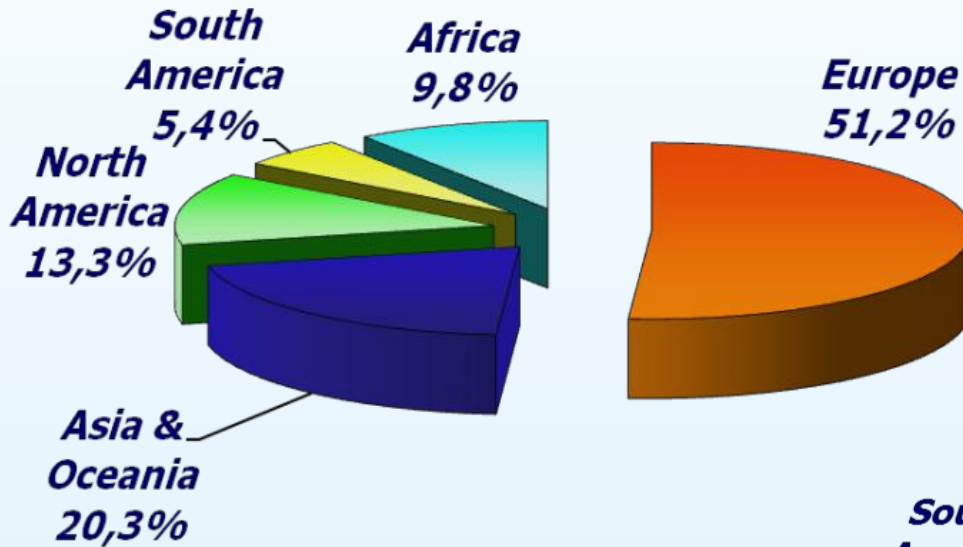
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Others

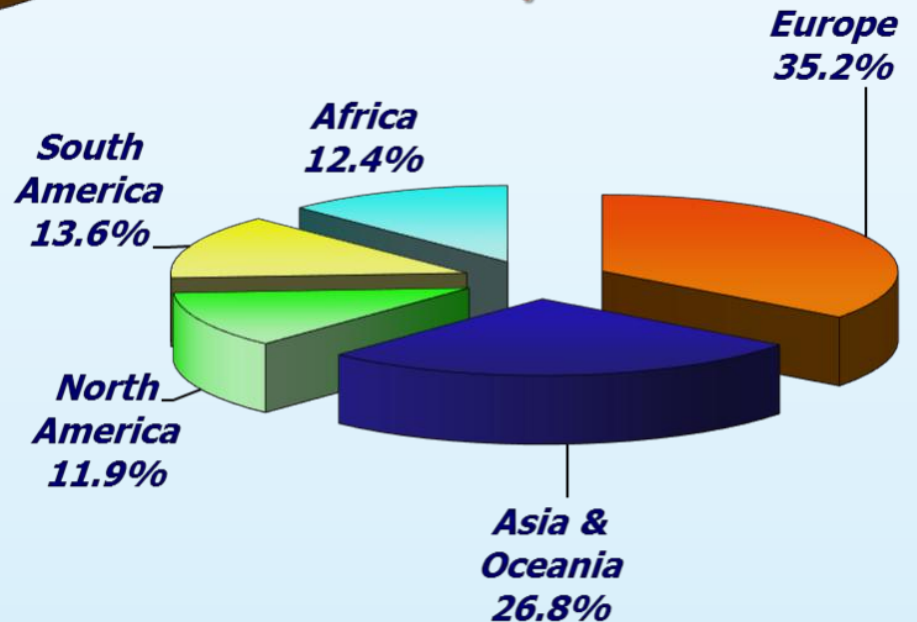
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Geographical distribution

Dec 31, 2002



Dec 31, 2017

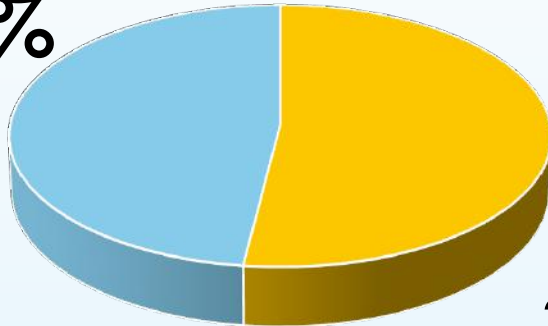


Geographical distribution - GDP per capita

31 Dec 2014

Low and middle
income countries

48%



High-income
countries

52%

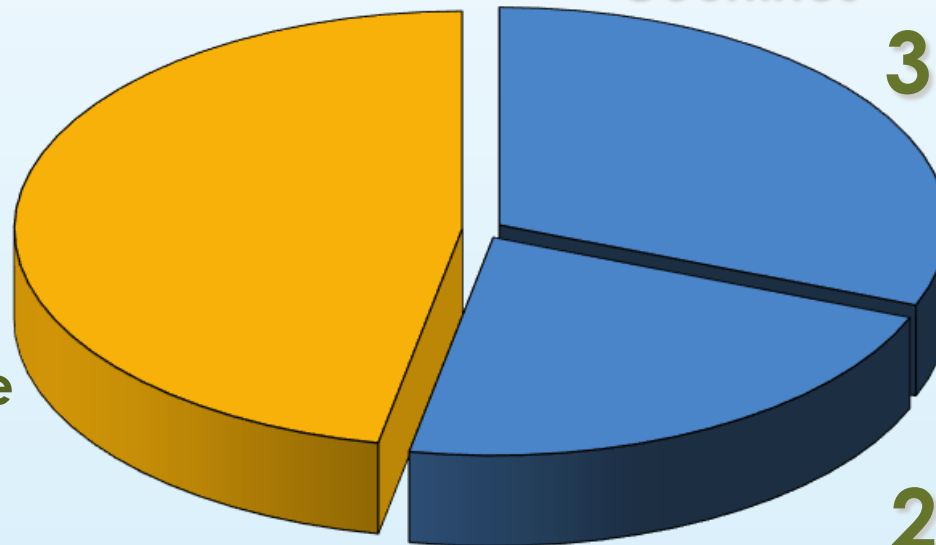
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Low-Income
Countries

31%

High-Income
Countries

47%

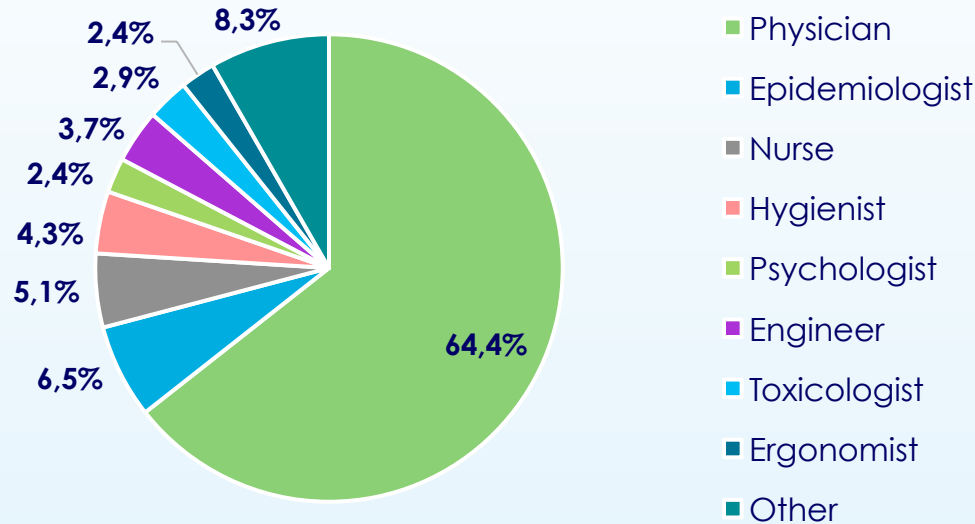


Middle-Income Countries

53%

Individual member profile

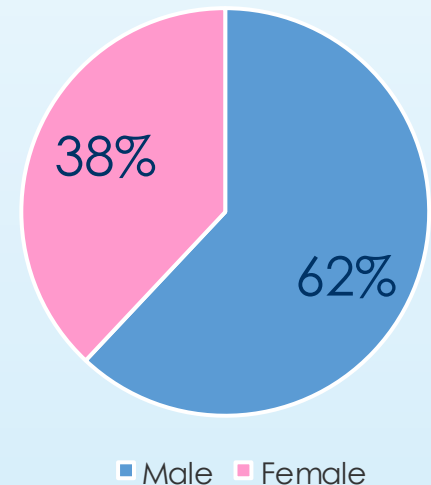
Profession



Average age



Gender distribution



Data refer to the end of the triennium

Sustaining Members in GS

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Institut de recherche
Robert-Sauvé en santé
et en sécurité du travail
Canada



Institute for health protection
and safety at work
Croatia



National Research Centre for the
Working Environment
Denmark



Finnish Institute of
Occupational Health
Finnish Institute of
Occupational Health
Finland



The Finnish Work
Environment Fund
Finland



Institut National de Recherche
et de Sécurité
France



Bundesanstalt für
Arbeitsschutz und
Arbeitsmedizin
Germany



Clinica del Lavoro
L. Devoto
Italy



Fondazione Maugeri
Italy



Italian Workers'
Compensation Authority
Italy



The Occupational Health
Promotion Foundation
OH Promotion Foundation
Japan



University of Occupational and
Environmental Health, Japan
University of Occupational &
Environmental Health
Japan

Sustaining Members in GS

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KOSHA
Rep. of Korea



**Workplace Safety and
Health Institute**
Singapore



**Prevent
Sweden**

International SOS
Foundation

**International SOS
Foundation**
The Netherlands



**Health & Safety
Laboratory**
United Kingdom



**International Institute of Risk and
Safety Management**
United Kingdom



**Institution of Occupational
Safety and Health**
United Kingdom



**National Institute for
Occupational Safety and Health**
USA

ICOH Affiliate Members

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ICOH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly is the supreme governing body of the ICOH.

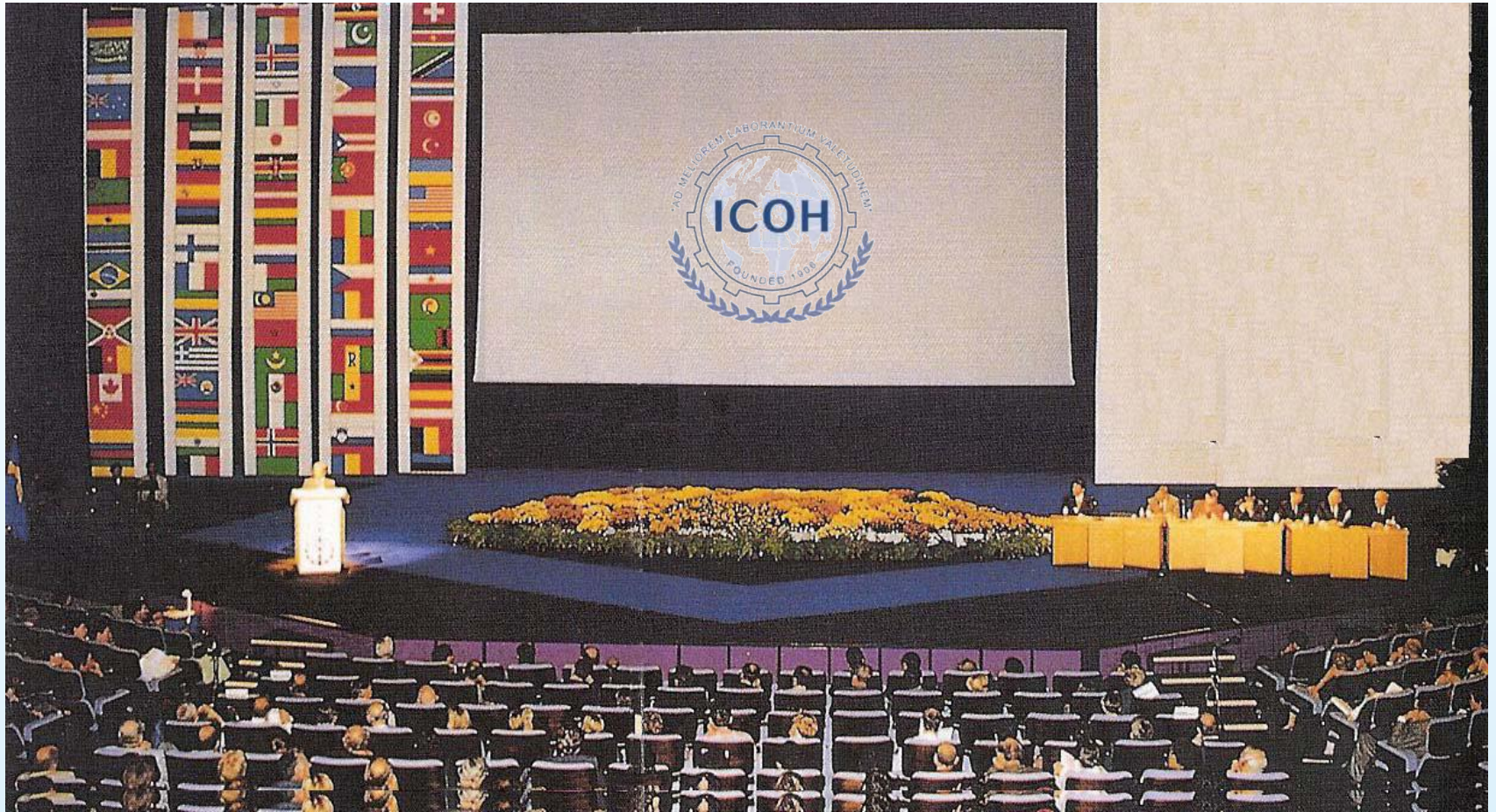
It approves the Constitution, elects honorary members, one Auditor and one Vice-auditor, and decides on the venue of triennial International Congresses.

The General Assembly also sets fees, accepts and approves the financial accounts, accepts the Auditor's report taking such action on it as is necessary, and approves the report on the activities of the Scientific Committees.

It consists of the individual members in good standing and one representative of each collective member.

(ICOH Constitution, Article 4, Section 1)

ICOH GENERAL ASSEMBLY





President
Jukka Takala
Finland

Secretary General
Sergio Iavicoli
Italy



ICOH Officers



Vice-President
Seong-Kyu Kang
Republic of Korea

Vice-President
Claudina Nogueira
South Africa



ICOH Board 2018-2021



Maureen Dollard



**Frida Marina
Fischer**



Mats Hagberg



Martin Hogan



Seichi Horie



**Francesco
Violante**



**Maria Luisa Tupia
Gonzales**



Paul Schulte



Kari Reijula



Shyam Pingle



**Christophe
Paris**



**Rosa Maria
Orriols Ramos**



Olivier Lo



**Sunil Kumar
Joshi**



Eun-A Kim



Stavroula Leka

Tasks of Board Members

- to review the programme of work of ICOH and its Scientific Committees;
- to assist the Officers;
- to amend the Bye-laws whenever necessary;
- to recommend the venue of future International Congresses on Occupational Health to the General Assembly;
- to recommend the election of honorary members;
- to make recommendations to the President for submission to the General Assembly for its approval;
- to review the accounts.



(Constitution, Article 5, Section 7)

ICOH National/Area Secretaries worldwide



ICOH Accomplishments



ICOH activities cover a wide range of topics, as reflected by the **37 Scientific Committees**, each one focused on a specific field of work.



Scientific Committees

Accident
Prevention

Aging and Work

Allergy and
Immunotoxicology

Cardiology in
Occupational
Health

Education and
Training in
Occupational
Health

Effectiveness in
Occupational
Health Services

Emergency
Preparedness and
Response in
Occupational
Health

Epidemiology in
Occupational
Health

Scientific Committees

History of Prevention
of Occupational
and Environmental
Diseases

Indoor Air Quality
and Health

Industrial Hygiene

Mining
Occupational
Safety and Health

Musculoskeletal
Disorders

Nanomaterial
Workers' Health

Neurotoxicology
and
Psychophysiology

Occupational and
Environmental
Dermatoses

Occupational
Health and
Development

Scientific Committees

Occupational Health
for Health Workers

Occupational Health
in Small-Scale
Enterprises and the
Informal Sector

Occupational Health
in the Chemical
Industry (MEDICHEM)

Occupational Health
in the Construction
Industry

Occupational Health
Nursing

Occupational
Medicine

Occupational
Toxicology

Radiation and Work

Reproductive
Hazards in the
Workplace

Scientific Committees

Respiratory
Disorders

Rural Health:
Agriculture,
Pesticides and
Organic Dusts

Shiftwork and
Working Time

Thermal Factors

Toxicology of
Metals

Unemployment,
Job Insecurity
and Health

Vibration and
Noise

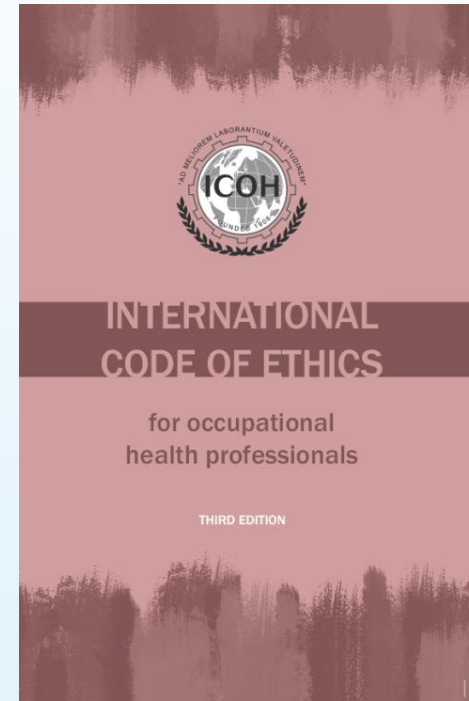
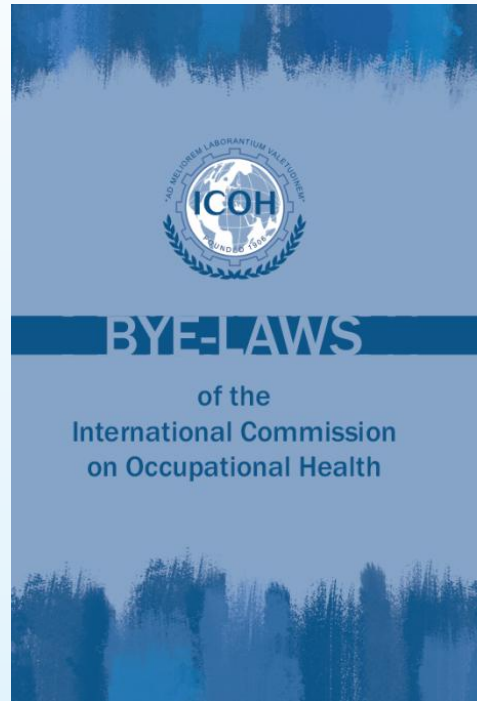
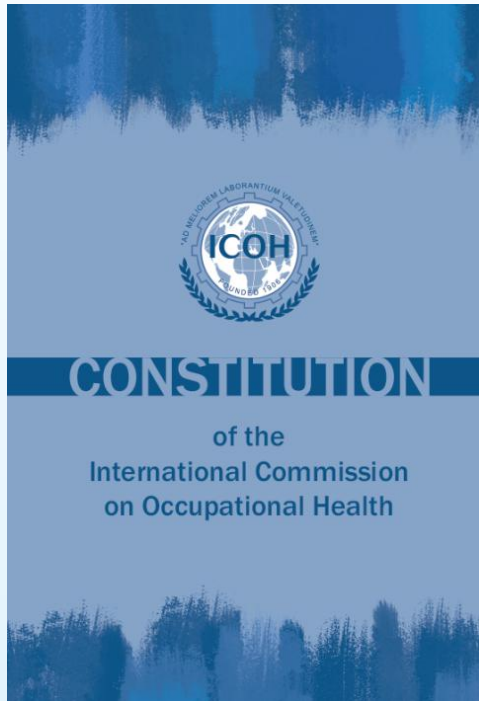
Women Health
and Work

Work and Vision

Work Disability
Prevention and
Integration

Work
Organization and
Psychosocial
Factors

ICOH CORE DOCUMENTS



ICOH Outputs

INTERNATIONAL CODE OF ETHICS
for occupational health professionals
THIRD EDITION

ICOH
CREATING A SAFE AND HEALTHY WORKPLACE
A GUIDE TO OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY FOR ENTREPRENEURS, OWNERS AND MANAGERS

BYE-LAWS
of the International Commission on Occupational Health

Occupational health services for all
A global survey on OHS in selected countries of ICOH members

Jorma Rantanen, Suli Lehtinen, Antonia Valero, Sergio Lavarello

RESEARCH ARTICLE
A global survey on occupational health services in selected international commission on occupational health (ICOH) member countries

Jorma Rantanen^{1,2}, Suli Lehtinen¹, Antonia Valero^{1,2} and Sergio Lavarello^{1,2}

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Special Issue: January 2018

BENEFITS FOR ICOH MEMBERS

- Become a member of the ICOH Global Network
- Belong to the scientific community on occupational health
- Join three ICOH Scientific Committees of your own interest without any additional costs
- Receive the ICOH Newsletter three times a year
- Get access to special contents in the private area of the ICOH website
- Get reductions in the registration fees of ICOH Triennial Congresses
- Get 40% off all WHO information products
- Get 50% off all ILO publications
- Get 20-30% off the subscription rates of several international scientific journals

ICOH NEWSLETTER CIST
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Message from the President

Activities of "the American" character

ICOH officers had a fruitful set of meetings in Antigua Guatemala in October 2017 in connection of the 100th Congress Latinoamericano de Salud Ocupacional, including the annual ICOH Officers Meeting and a meeting with ICOH National Secretaries present in the Congress. Countries: COCH, MEXICO and occupational health experts in psychiatric care present from Central America.

Picture of ILOH National Secretaries in meeting in Antigua.

Triennial Report 2015-2017

International Commission on Occupational Health
Commission Internationale de la Santé au Travail

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Benefits and tools for members



Participation in SCs




Website and Private Area



Newsletter and Publications



Noro fund



Grant for congress attendees
from developing countries



ILO Master Fellowship



Student Awards

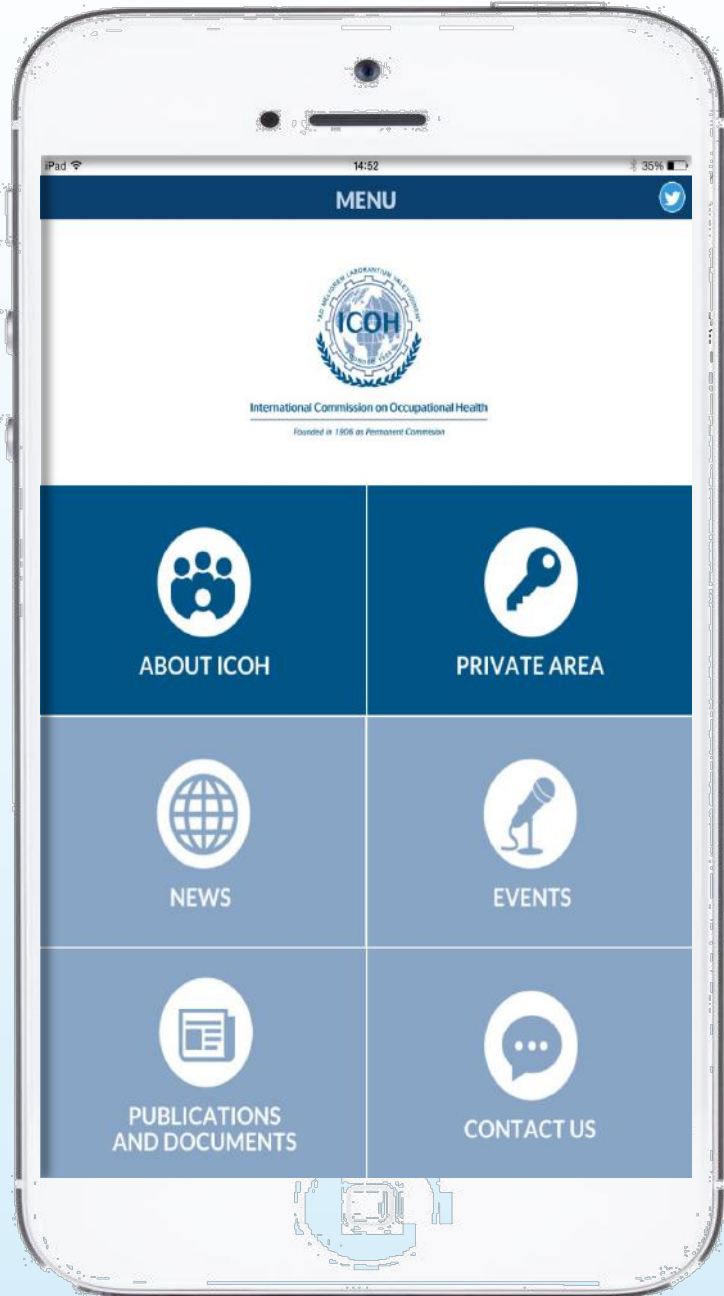


ICOH App and social media



Journals discounts

✓ iOS and Android ICOH apps



ICOH 2.0

The use of mobile devices (tablet or smartphone) has become increasingly popular and will soon reach the total number of normal pc or laptop used.

ICOH has developed an app in order to provide tools to ICOH members such as general information, continuous update on news, events and geo-localization trough push notifications.

As well as login to private area, and an easy access to the publications and documents.

How to become an ICOH member

STEP 1: Fill in the application form

Available in English, French, Spanish and Italian at the National Secretaries, and on ICOH website (www.ichweb.org)

The image shows a screenshot of the ICOH application form. Two red circles highlight specific areas: the top right corner containing contact information for the Secretariat General, and a table at the bottom for endorsements. The form includes sections for 'ICOH APPLICATION FORM: HOW TO BECOME AN ICOH MEMBER', 'ICOH's Purposes', 'Benefits for ICOH members', 'ICOH Accomplishments', and a personal information section.

Return Address (circled in red):

Name: **SECRETARIAT GENERAL**
ICOH - Occupational Health
International Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
11, rue des Saussaies, 75008 Paris, France
Tel: +33 (0) 1 47 33 50 00 - Fax: +33 (0) 1 47 33 50 01 - E-mail: secretariat@icoh.org

Endorsement Table (circled in red):

It must be endorsed by 3 members of ICOH:		
S.	Signature	Country
1.	Signature	Country
2.	Signature	Country
3.	Signature	Country

Application form must be returned to the Secretariat General

If the applicant does not have any endorsers, the Secretariat addresses him/her to the National Secretary, who will evaluate the request and help find 3 endorsers.

Applicants must be endorsed by three ICOH members in good standing

STEP 3: Payment of the membership fee

The applicant will receive a Settlement Form:

ICOH APPLICATION FORM: HOW TO BECOME AN ICOH MEMBER

The International Commission on Occupational Health (ICOH) is an international professional organization dedicated to the advancement of occupational health and safety.

ICOH's Purposes: to enhance the knowledge of members in the field of occupational health

- To provide a forum for the exchange of information and knowledge in occupational health promotion work in training
- To promote and maintain the highest standards of occupational and professional conduct in the field of occupational health

Benefits for ICOH members:

- Substantial reduction of the registration fee of the triennial International Congresses, "Symposiums" chapters and some other ICOH-sponsored conferences.
- Discounts on the subscription rates of International scientific journals (50-80%), on-line (50%) and on all WHO information products (40%).
- Participation in the activities of up to three of the 35 scientific committees as well as in the Newsletter.

ICOH Accomplishments

ICOH has been recognized by the WHO, the ILO, the European Commission and the European Union as a partner organization in occupational health promotion work in training, research and professional development.

Application form for membership (please write in BLOCK LETTERS)

Name: _____ Last _____ First _____

Sex: Male Female Nationality: _____ Date of birth: _____

Present Position: _____ Organization: _____

Street: _____ City/Town/Village: _____ Country: _____

Telephone/Fax: _____ E-mail: _____ Tel./Fax: _____

Applicant's professional category:

Physician	<input type="checkbox"/>	Biologist	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hygienist	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engineer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Supervisor	<input type="checkbox"/>	Technologist	<input type="checkbox"/>	Psychologist	<input type="checkbox"/>	Manager	<input type="checkbox"/>
Others	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specify:					

Proposer: It must be endorsed by 3 members of ICOH.

1.	Signature	Name	Date
2.	Signature	Name	Date
3.	Signature	Name	Date

Applicant's signature: _____

Proposer: It must be endorsed by 3 members of ICOH.

Active membership fees for 2024:

- 25 CHF for cash fees
- 160 CHF for corporate fees (check your country GDP/PPP)

Payment methods:

- Cheque / Bank draft
- Direct Bank Transfer to PostFinance
- Credit card (American Express, MasterCard, VISA)
- PayPal

Tick one mode of payment and return the form to Secretariat General:

- a) Cheque / Bank draft
- b) Direct Bank Transfer to PostFinance
- c) Credit card   
- d) PayPal

Once in good standing, the member will receive a membership card.



Reminders for payment are sent on a regular basis

On-line Payment

Payment Status

To pay your membership fee please click here.

[Membership Status](#) | [Change Profile](#) | [Change Password](#) | [Members List](#) | [Logout](#)

Membership Payment

Member Code	I2833
Title	Dr.
Last Name	IAVICOLI
First Name	Sergio
Settlement Form N°	3961/2009
Dues 2009 - 2011	CHF 300.00
Previous Dues (if any)	CHF 0.00
Total Amount Due	CHF 300.00

To pay online with PayPal please click here on the following button:

[Pay now with PayPal](#)

To print and pay your settlement form please click on the following button:

[Print Settlement Form](#)

**New mode of
payment
with PayPal**

(in addition to the
traditional one)

Easy and immediate!

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES 2018-2021

COUNTRIES WITH	GDP<5,000 USD	5,000<GDP<15,000 USD	GDP>15,000 USD
ACTIVE MEMBERS	45.00 CHF	72.00 CHF	345.00 CHF
YOUNG <34	30.00 CHF	45.00 CHF	72.00 CHF
RETIRED*	30.00 CHF	60.00 CHF	90.00 CHF

SUSTAINING MEMBERS FEES 2018-2021

NEW

**LOW INCOME COUNTRIES GDP <
5,000**

800 CHF

NEW

**MEDIUM INCOME COUNTRIES 5,000
< GDP < 15,000**

2,500 CHF

**HIGH INCOME COUNTRIES GDP >
15,000**

5,000 CHF

AFFILIATE MEMBERS FEES 2018-2021

>200 MEMBERS

660 CHF

<200 MEMBERS

440 CHF