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# Join

the IOF community

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**Because every bone matters**

*The IOF vision is a world without fragility fractures,  
in which healthy mobility is a reality for all.*

## **About the IOF**

The International Osteoporosis Foundation (IOF) is the world's largest non-governmental organization dedicated to the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of osteoporosis, fragility fractures and musculoskeletal diseases. Together with its key committees, the IOF is strongly committed to its mission of promoting bone and musculoskeletal health as a worldwide priority.

The IOF network includes 260 organizations in over 100 countries, covering 88% of the world population.

## **Priorities**

IOF is committed to ensure that osteoporosis, secondary fractures and musculoskeletal diseases are addressed as a major burden worldwide by working closely with its key stakeholders:

### **Health Professionals**

Train, educate and increase expertise of health professionals in the management of the patient (prevention, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation).

### **Patients**

Empower the population at risk to advocate for themselves with the support of the Global Patient Charter initiative.

### **Policy Makers**

Urge policy makers to take action to make osteoporosis and fracture prevention a national healthcare priority.

### **General public**

Raise awareness of osteoporosis among the population at risk.

### **Why join the IOF?**

Join the IOF if you have an interest in bone health, healthy ageing, women's health, skeletal rare diseases, musculoskeletal diseases, nutrition, non-communicable diseases, patient care, diagnosis, treatment, prevention, rehabilitation, sports activity, healthy living, wellbeing, fall prevention, mobility and healthy mobility.

# Membership

The IOF welcomes applications from osteoporosis-related patient and medical societies, as well as organizations showing interest in advocating on bone health, promoting patient empowerment, supporting research and education of health professionals worldwide to join the Committee of National Societies (CNS), IOF's key membership body.

By joining you will actively take part in the global voice dedicated to osteoporosis, fragility fractures and musculoskeletal disorders around the world.

## Categories & fees

### FULL MEMBER

Fully established organization working within the framework of the IOF with its main interest in musculoskeletal disorders and registered as a not-for-profit organization.

- ▶ **Annual fee** : 600 CHF for high income countries / 300 CHF for low income countries (based on World Bank Classification )

### ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Existing or newly established organization, registered as a not-for-profit organization with a main interest in bone or musculoskeletal health or in other health issues.

- ▶ **Free membership**

### ALLIED MEMBER

Organization with an interest in bone health and related diseases, women's health or related issues and not registered as a not-for-profit organization (i.e. hospital dept, volunteers' club, community groups, university dept etc.).

- ▶ **Free membership**

## How to apply



























To apply for membership and find out more about the IOF membership programme, please visit our website at :

[www.osteoporosis.foundation/our-network/the-committees](http://www.osteoporosis.foundation/our-network/the-committees)

or contact the IOF HQ Office at :

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MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS	Full	Assoc.	Allied
Voting rights at the CNS Committee elections			
Eligibility for CNS chairmanship or other CNS elections			
Free registrations for your members to the annual WCO-IOF-ESCEO congress (*up to 20 for Full members and up to 10 for Associate & Allied members)			
Free booth at the CNS Village at the annual WCO-IOF-ESCEO congress and opportunity to win the IOF Best CNS Village Booth Award			
2 nights' accommodation coverage for one Society representative for participation at the CNS Village and the CNS Day / 1-night coverage for one Society representative for participation at the CNS Day to support participation to the WCO-IOF-ESCEO annual congress			
Up to 2 free registrations for your members to the IOF Regional Osteoporosis Conferences			
Eligible to apply for IOF Grants and Awards linked to the IOF operations			
Eligible for IOF financial support for local Meetings			
Opportunity to receive the IOF CNS medal Award			
Promotion of your national activities through the IOF network, the IOF calendar of events and IOF communication channels			
Access to an exclusive resources hub including education, advocacy and policy resources (Risk Check available in 36 languages, World Osteoporosis Day, OE course, SRD course, Audits, Capture the Fracture initiative etc.)			
Opportunity to organize the IOF flagship training courses in your country: <i>Osteoporosis Essentials of Densitometry, Diagnosis and Management course (international IOF-ISCN course) and SRD course</i>			
Promotion and networking opportunities on the IOF Connect Facebook group			
IOF endorsement for local Meetings			
Free access to scientific journals including <i>Osteoporosis International, Calcified Tissue International and Archives of Osteoporosis</i>	