

# **PROPOSED MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION & ND STRUCTURE**

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Delegations**

# Membership classification

## 1.1 Young Professional / Associate Member

### *Criteria for Acceptance:*

- Recent graduate from an accredited / recognized a program by the Society;
- has less than five years experience in planning or an allied profession;
- is under the age of 33;
- nominated by a ND or a Full Member and endorsed by the Executive Committee.
- needs to submit His or / Her Diploma, Student Card and / or copy of Passport.

### *Benefits & Delimitations:*

- Entitled to one free year of membership (provided that they apply for membership within one year from graduation);
- receive the same privileges of a Full Member but with no voting rights;
- not eligible to apply for elected positions;
- automatically upgraded to full membership and pays Full Member fees after 5 year of membership in good standing.

### *Membership Fees:*

- **Option 1:** Dues determined based on 50% of the current fee structure for Full Members (based upon the World Bank's Gross National Income Levels).
- **Option 2:** A reduced flat fee of € 60.00 is due annually.

## 1.2 Full Member

### ***Criteria for Acceptance:***

- Graduate from an accredited or recognized program by the Society;
- has five or more years of professional experience in planning or an allied profession;
- is under the age of 65.
- nominated by a ND or a Full Member based on professional merit and endorsed by the Executive Committee.
- needs to submit His or / Her CV along with a completed application.

### ***Benefits & Delimitations:***

- Access to Members-Area on website;
- reduced rates for ISOCARP events and publications;
- discounts at affiliate institutions;
- voting rights;
- eligibility to apply for elected positions.

### ***Membership Fees:***

- **Option 1:** Current fee structure based on country of residence (based upon the World Bank's Gross National Income Levels:
  - Category A - High Income: €156/yr;
  - Category B - Upper Middle Income: €120/yr;
  - Category C - Lower Middle Income: € 83/yr;
  - Category D - Low Income: €52/yr.
- **Option 2:** A flat fee of € 100.00 is due annually

### **1.3 Honorary Member**

- By invitation only;
- high profile / distinguished professionals in a related disciplines or internationally renowned members of the civic society;
- is over the age of 45;
- nominated by a ND or Full Member and endorsed by a representative selection committee;
- number of Honorary Members at any one time should not exceed 5% of the total number of memberships in the Society,

#### ***Benefits & Delimitations:***

- Receive a fee waiver;
- enjoys the full privileges of a Full Member;
- membership is for one year after which an Honorary Member automatically becomes a Full Member enjoying full privileges and responsibilities.

#### ***Membership Fees:***

- None.

## 1.4 Life Member

### ***Criteria for Acceptance:***

- Any member in good standing who has maintained membership for over 20 years;
- and has reached the age of 65 or has been incapacitated or unable to work.

### ***Benefits & Delimitations:***

- Members pay a reduced fee;
- receive the same privileges of a Full Member but are not eligible to apply for elected positions.

### ***Membership Fees:***

- **Option 1:** Dues determined based on 50% of the current fee structure for Full Members (based upon country of residence and the World Bank's Gross National Income Levels);
- **Option 2:** A reduced flat fee of € 60.00 is due annually (this option has been proposed based on suggestions made by some ExCo members but it is my opinion that it is expected to have negative consequences and a wide reaction from members).

## 1.5 Institutional Membership

### ***Criteria for Acceptance:***

- Is a supplemental membership recognized only upon the recommendation of the ND or Full Member;
- requires the endorsement of the Executive Committee;
- any non-commercial planning related institution (NGOs, public, quasi-public, or private entities) supporting the profession and in good standing could be considered for membership.

### ***Benefits & Delimitations:***

- Entitled to a Panel Exhibition Stand at the ISOCARP Congress (provided that membership dues are paid and the Local Organizing Committee of the respective host country offers such an option).
- could appoint an Official Representative as the contact person, He or/She enjoys the same privileges of a Full Member in accordance to the benefits of membership classification.
- members and / or employees of an Institutional Member could apply for Full Membership and have the privilege of paying a reduced membership fee provided that they meet the membership classification criteria and their application is endorsed by the respective institution.

### ***Membership Fees:***

- **Option 1:** Current Fee Structure

<b>Category</b>	<b>€ / Year</b>
<b>A. Authorities (local, regional &amp; national), flat rate</b>	834
<b>B. Institutes &amp; Organizations, flat rate</b>	495
<b>C. Planning Org &lt;1000 members</b>	271
<b>D. Private Planning Firms &lt;50 personnel</b>	271
<b>E. Full Member (Country Category A &amp; B)</b>	104
<b>F. Full Member (Country Category C &amp; D)</b>	52

- **Option 2:** Flat fee of € 400.00 is due annually.

# National Delegations

## 2.1 Proposed Structure

- Structure and size of NDs (or other organizational modes the member countries wish to adopt to coordinate their views and concerns) is left to the country concerned to reflect anticipated responsibilities;
- composition is to reflect proposed activities (e.g. membership, events, projects, technical assistance, fund raising etc.);
- could be integrated into existing national and/or regional professional organizations in which case the respective organization should become an Institutional Member;
- ND Members are to be elected for a term of 3 years by and from among Full Members in the country concerned. The elected members constitute the board of the ND;
- a Chairman and, if so desired, a deputy should be elected from among the board members to represent the ND;
- ND Members could be re-elected for an additional term of 3 years;
- elections are to be held every three years, before the meeting of the General Assembly.

## **2.2 Proposed program of actions**

### ***Promote Local Activity:***

- Identify potential opportunities for collaboration (training programs, consultations, projects (UPATs), and technical assistance opportunities);
- initiating local activities in coordination w/ the responsible VP;
- endorse active participation in the Society's events;
- promote the Society via a marketing campaign in coordination w/ the VP Communications;
- initiate fund raising campaigns to support the Society's projects and activities (NDs to receive a success fees for all successful fund raising campaigns);
- nominate members, local projects, and / or works of excellence for awards;
- submit a bi-annual progress report to the responsible VP.

### ***Develop & Launch a Reach-out Program and Recruitment Campaign***

- Seek affiliations with, and sponsorship from national organizations;
- consider associating w/ prominent private entities, government and academic institutions;
- expand and foster the network of connections and affiliations;
- nominate annually a minimum of (3) graduate students for membership as Young Professional;
- recommend annually a minimum of (3) candidates of proven merit for Full Membership;
- nominate prominent figures in the profession / academia /civic society for Honorary Membership;
- incite fellow colleagues to participate in the Society's congresses and events.



# Members and NDs Recognition Program

- Instigate a program of privileges as well as special services for members and NDs (including awards, grants, networking, reduced fees, letters of recognition/acknowledgement, etc.);
- grant Life Member to all those who have been fulltime members for 20 years or more;
- develop and implement a system of incentives and rewards for notable business offered by both members and NDs;
- grant members reduced fees at affiliate institutions;
- identify and nominate members to external awards, positions and consultancies;
- recommend members to local and international agencies;
- nominate members, local projects, and / or works of excellence to awards.