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## **Membership categories**

IFAN has four categories of membership.

National members are usually standards user organizations/committees in a given country/customs territory which admit standards users to their membership without restrictions with respect to professions, industry sectors, sub-divisions of territory, etc.

Corporate members are industrial and commercial companies and corporations, sole traders, consultancies, professional and trade associations, public sector bodies, etc. which deal with the use and/or implementation of standards.

Developing national members are national standards user bodies with limited economic resources.

Prospective corporate members are members which participate in IFAN activities with a view to becoming corporate members.

Developing national and prospective corporate members have the same rights as national and corporate members, with the exception of voting rights. Their status is reviewed by the Board after a three-year period for developing national members and after a one-year period for prospective corporate members with a view to upgrading the status respectively to national or corporate membership.

## **Annual membership dues**

The IFAN Board, after negotiation with the interested parties, determines the dues of new members within the limits given below. The dues are allocated in units:

- from 1 to 16 units for national members,
- from 1 to 50 units for corporate members,
- from 0 to 2 units for national developing and prospective corporate members.

The value of the unit is decided by the Board for each financial year.  
The current value of the unit from 1 January 2014 is CHF 95.



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### **Procedure for joining IFAN**

Any organization, company, governmental agency, professional or trade association wishing to become a member of IFAN is invited to complete the Membership application form for national/developing national IFAN members (in PDF or in Word format) or the Membership application form for corporate/prospective corporate IFAN members (in PDF or in Word format), as appropriate, and send it to the Secretary of IFAN.

The IFAN Board decides on the admission of new members and fixes the membership dues in agreement with the applicants. The Secretary informs the applicants of the decision concerning their admission to IFAN and informs the IFAN membership about new IFAN members.