IAS MEMBERS' SURVEY

Thank you for participating in the survey. The information you provide will assist the IAS to identify areas for improvement, build on achievements, and set new directions.

The results will be analyzed by the IAS Evaluation Coordinator and findings will be posted on the IAS website.

By returning your completed survey you consent to the information being used for reporting purposes. If you have any questions about the survey please email members.survey@iasociety.org

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Your IAS membership

1. How long have you been a member of the IAS?
   - ☐ One year or less
   - ☐ 2 to 4 years
   - ☐ 5 to 10 years
   - ☐ More than 10 years

2. What were your main reasons for joining the IAS?
   Select up to two
   - ☐ To become a member of a global association of HIV/AIDS professionals
   - ☐ To be involved in the work of the IAS
   - ☐ To financially support the work of the IAS
   - ☐ To receive membership benefits
   - ☐ I have a personal interest as someone with HIV
   - ☐ I was offered membership when I registered for a conference
   - ☐ Other (please specify) ____________________________

3. Did you attend any IAS members’ meetings in 2006 or 2007?
   (formal members’ meetings are held at the International AIDS Conference and the IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention. Informal meetings are held at some regional conferences)
   - ☐ No (go to Question 4)
   - ☐ Yes (go straight to Question 5)

4. What was the main reason you did not attend any members’ meetings in 2006 or 2007?
   Select one
   - ☐ I was not aware of the meetings
   - ☐ I am not interested in attending the meetings
   - ☐ I was not at a conference where a meeting was held
   - ☐ I was attending another conference session at the time of the meeting
   - ☐ I’ve only recently become a member
   - ☐ Other (please specify) ____________________________
5. How often have you used the IAS online membership directory in the past 12 months?  
   (the directory is a tool that allows members to search for and contact other professionals working in HIV/AIDS)  
   - Once  
   - 2 to 5 times  
   - More than 5 times  
   - I have tried to log on, but have not been successful  
   - I have not used the directory  
     Please briefly explain why this is, then go to Question 7

6. Have you used the online membership directory to network with other members?  
   - No  
   - Yes

7. Could the IAS do more to facilitate networking among its members?  
   Select all that apply  
   - No  
   - Facilitate meetings of members from specific regions during international AIDS conferences  
   - Facilitate topic-based members’ meetings at regional conferences  
   - Establish regional-level working groups to look at specific issues  
   - Other (please specify)

8. Did you vote in the last IAS election (held in 2006)?  
   - No  
   - Yes  
   - I don't remember  
   - I wasn't a member in 2006

9. Do you know who your IAS regional representatives are?  
   (the IAS regions are Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, USA/Canada, Latin America/Caribbean)  
   - No  
   - Yes  
   - I don’t know what a ‘regional representative’ is

10. How would you rate your IAS membership fee?  
    (current fees are: high income countries - US$60/year for standard membership and US$50 for student/youth membership; middle/low-income countries - US$30 for standard membership and US$25 for student/youth membership)  
    - Too low  
    - About right  
    - Too high

11. Will your renew your IAS membership when it expires?  
    - No  
    - I don’t know (go to Question 13)  
    - Yes (go to Question 13)
12. What is the **main reason** you will not be renewing your membership?

   Select one
   - HIV/AIDS is no longer my main area of work
   - I’m not interested in the activities of the IAS
   - The membership fee is too high
   - The members’ benefits are not relevant to me
   - Other (please specify)

13. What are your **main sources** of news and information about HIV/AIDS?

   Select up to two
   - Conferences
   - Colleagues
   - Journals
   - Online forums
   - Websites
   - Other (please specify)

14. What are the **main ways** you develop and keep up your HIV professional skills and knowledge?

   Select up to two
   - Attend conferences
   - Attend seminars/workshops/CME courses
   - Undertake exchanges/study tours
   - Study online
   - Read professional journals
   - Learn informally (e.g. in the workplace)
   - Work with a mentor
   - Other (please specify)

15. Did you attend the following conferences?

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<td>4th IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention (IAS 2007), Sydney</td>
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16. Do you plan to attend the XVII International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2008) in Mexico City?

   - No
   - Yes
   - I don’t know
Your involvement in regional activities

18. In which region do you **mainly** work?
   - Africa
   - Asia/Pacific
   - Europe
   - Latin America/Caribbean
   - USA/Canada
   - Other *(please specify)*

19. Did you attend any regional HIV/AIDS conferences in 2006 or 2007?
   *Select all that apply*
   - Africa *(e.g. ICASA)*
   - Asia/Pacific *(e.g. ICAAP)*
   - Europe *(e.g. EECAAC, EACS, Glasgow)*
   - Latin America/Caribbean *(e.g. FORO, CONCASIDA)*
   - USA/Canada *(e.g. CROI, IDSA, CAHR, ICAAC)*
   - No *(go to Question 21)*

20. In what capacity did you attend the conference(s)?
   *Select all that apply*
   - Participant
   - Speaker/facilitator
   - Committee member
   - Other

21. Are you a member of any regional HIV/AIDS societies/networks?
   - No *(go to Question 22)*
   - Yes *(please specify, then go to Question 23)*

22. Would you be interested in learning more about membership of a regional HIV/AIDS society/network?
   - No
   - Yes
     *At the end of the survey you will be able to provide your email address to receive more information*
IAS resources and activities

23. How often do you use the IAS website?
   Select one
   - At least once a week
   - Every couple of weeks
   - Monthly
   - Every couple of months
   - Once or twice a year
   - Never
   Please briefly explain why this is

Please rate how important it is for you to get the following kinds of information via the IAS website

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32. Is there other important information that should be on the IAS website?
   - No
   - Yes (please specify)

33. Do you read the IAS newsletter?
   (emailed to members four times a year)
   - I read most of the newsletter
   - I read one or two articles
   - I don't read the newsletter
   Please briefly explain why this is

Please rate how important is it for you to read the following kinds of information in future IAS newsletters

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41. Is there other important information that should be in the IAS newsletter?
   - No
   - Yes (please specify)

42. Do you read the IAS journal, eJIAS?  
   *(eJIAS is an online, open-access, peer-reviewed journal which publishes HIV/AIDS research focused on the developing world)*
   - I regularly read eJIAS
   - I occasionally read eJIAS
   - I don’t read eJIAS
   Please briefly explain why this is

43. Would you be willing to contribute articles to eJIAS?
   - No
   - Yes

**IAS advocacy work**
The IAS is expanding its advocacy work and five priority areas have been identified. Please rate the importance of each area to your work in HIV.

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49. Is there another priority area you believe the IAS should be addressing?
   - No
   - Yes (please specify)

50. Would you be interested in becoming involved in IAS advocacy work?
   - No
   - Possibly
   - Yes
   *At the end of the survey you will be able to provide your email address so you can be contacted in the future*

**Value of the IAS**

51. Would you recommend IAS membership to a colleague?
   - Yes
   - No
   *Please briefly explain why this is*
**52.** Do you have any additional comments or suggestions about the IAS?

**About you**

The following questions are mandatory and are included to help us analyse the survey results.

**53.** * What is your gender?
   - Female
   - Male
   - Transgender

**54.** * What is your age?
   - Under 26 years
   - 26 to 40 years
   - 41 to 60 years
   - Over 60 years

**55.** * What is your main occupation/profession?
   
   Select one
   - Please Select

**56.** * What is your main organization/affiliation/company?
   
   Select one
   - Hospital/clinic
   - Academia (University, Research Institute)
   - Government
   - Intergovernmental organization (e.g. UN)
   - Non-government organization
   - Grassroots community-based organization
   - People living with HIV/AIDS group/network
   - Faith-based organization
   - Charitable foundation
   - Trade union
   - Cooperative
   - Pharmaceutical company
   - Private sector (other than pharmaceutical company)
   - Media organization
   - Self-employed/consultant
   - Other organization/affiliation

**57.** * How many years (part-time or full-time) have you worked in HIV?
   - Less than 3 years
   - 3 to 5 years
   - 6 to 10 years
   - 11 to 15 years
   - More than 15 years
58. * What is your country of origin?
   Select one
   
   -- Please Select --
   
   If other please specify

59. * What is your main country of work?
   Select one
   
   -- Please Select --
   
   If other please specify

60. * In which language do you mainly work?
   ○ English
   ○ Spanish
   ○ French
   ○ Russian
   ○ Arabic
   ○ Chinese
   ○ Other (please specify)

61. How would you describe your level of spoken and written English?
   ○ Proficient
   ○ Fair
   ○ Limited

62. How do you mainly access the internet?
   ○ Dial-up
   ○ Broadband
   ○ I don't know

63. Where do you mainly access the internet?
   ○ At work
   ○ At home
   ○ At an internet point, cyber café, library etc

Thank you for your time.

Please submit the survey if you are satisfied with your responses.

Alternatively, you may save a draft response and return at a later time to complete the survey. Please click on 'Save Draft' below and follow the instructions.
If you would like to:
- enter the prize draw,
- receive information about regional HIV societies/networks, or
- be contacted about future IAS advocacy work,
please check the relevant boxes and enter your email address below.

Please note this information is not linked to your survey responses

Select all that apply

☐ I wish to be included in the prize draw
   (3 respondents will be randomly selected to win US$200 for themselves, their organization or their nominated HIV/AIDS charity)

☐ I wish to receive information about regional HIV/AIDS societies/networks

☐ I wish to be contacted about future IAS advocacy work

My email address is:

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