

STRONGER TOGETHER: THE VALUE OF IAS MEMBERSHIP

Our membership is the foundation upon which we act as the independent voice of HIV professionals around the world. A large, diverse and actively engaged membership gives the IAS the credibility required to achieve our vision and mission. It also provides members the opportunity to shape the strategic direction of the organization.

IAS membership benefits include:

- the quarterly electronic IAS Newsletter, which contains analysis, information and recent events relevant to HIV professionals, as well as the monthly e-Update
- 25-50% discount on *AIDS*, official journal of the International AIDS Society
- the right to vote in IAS Governing Council elections and general members' meetings
- involvement in IAS strategic planning
- access to professional development and training opportunities
- access to the IAS website's Members' Area to search for and contact other members and find worldwide job vacancies

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The International AIDS Society (IAS) is the world's leading independent association of HIV professionals.

Founded in 1988, the IAS speaks as an independent voice for global action to end the HIV pandemic. The IAS membership of more than 14,000 individuals from 190 countries includes professionals from all disciplines, most notably researchers, clinicians, nurses, laboratory technicians, educators, social service providers, health care providers, advocates, lawyers, media practitioners and policy and programme planners.

OUR VISION

A global movement of people working together to end the HIV epidemic, applying scientific evidence and best practice at every level of the HIV response.

OUR MISSION

We connect

By convening the world's foremost international conferences on HIV and AIDS and specialized meetings, we provide critical platforms for presenting new research, promoting dialogue and building consensus to advance the global fight against HIV.

We promote

By promoting dialogue, education and networking, and providing access to best practice, professional development and skills building, we help build capacity and close gaps in knowledge and expertise at every level of the HIV response.

We mobilize

By advocating for the right to an evidence-based response to HIV and for a concerted research effort to build that evidence base, we contribute to continuous improvement of the global response to HIV.

CONFERENCES

Organizing conferences of exceptional quality, with the aim of highlighting and enhancing evidence-based responses to the many challenges of HIV, is the core of the IAS's work.

International AIDS Conference

The IAS is the custodian of the International AIDS Conference, the largest regular conference on any health or development issue. These prestigious conferences provide a unique forum for the interaction of science, community and leadership, and strengthen the evidence-based policy and programmatic response to the epidemic. The conferences also provide an opportunity to intensify political and financial commitments to AIDS, and include the largest international conference scholarship programme for an AIDS-related conference.

IAS Conference

The IAS also organizes the IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention. This conference focuses on the biomedical aspects of HIV and AIDS, bringing together individuals and organizations from around the world to address current issues in HIV-related basic, clinical, prevention and implementation science.

Regional Conferences

The IAS works with regional AIDS societies and networks to strengthen regional conferences, helping HIV professionals and key stakeholders to connect at the regional level. This work includes sharing technical expertise in organizing and running successful AIDS conferences and linking regional AIDS conferences with one another and with the IAS conferences at the global level.

POLICY AND ADVOCACY

The IAS leverages the knowledge, experience and influence of its members to advocate for the policy changes and political commitments necessary to translate evidence into practice and end the HIV epidemic. The key themes of IAS policy and advocacy activities include:

- securing universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support
- strengthening the global health workforce and health systems capacity, and integrating HIV into primary care
- advocating implementation of evidence-based HIV prevention and treatment programmes
- scaling up HIV and AIDS research, including operations research and research on co-morbidities such as TB/HIV
- eliminating HIV-related stigma and discrimination and promoting the rights of people living with and at-risk for HIV
- expanding social and political science research on HIV.

The IAS uses a range of strategies to advance this agenda, including member mobilization, media outreach, policy analysis, participation in policy-making bodies, engagement with key decision-makers, and collaborations and partnerships with allied organizations.

RESEARCH PROMOTION

IAS-Industry Liaison Forum (ILF)

The IAS-ILF's mission is to remove barriers to the pharmaceutical industry's research investments in resource-limited settings. The IAS-ILF provides a platform for scientific and intellectual collaboration between research-based pharmaceutical and diagnostic companies and independent investigators from both resource-limited and high-income countries.

Journal of the International AIDS Society (JIAS)

JIAS is an open-access, peer-reviewed online journal. The journal's mission is to support, promote and disseminate high-quality HIV and AIDS research relevant to resource-limited settings.

Awards, Grants and Fellowships

The IAS rewards excellence in research for young investigators through a number of dedicated prizes and awards. The IAS, in partnership with other scientific organizations, also sponsors research fellowship programmes and research grants to support and encourage innovative HIV research.

Professional Development

The IAS provides professional development and training opportunities for HIV professionals at international and regional AIDS conferences and through online training resources.

For more information on the IAS, including upcoming conferences and other activities, visit our website at www.iasociety.org.

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