IAFL Tiered Dues 2027

Background

In 2021 the IAFL Executive Committee benchmarked the membership dues against those charged by other international organisations. Such benchmarking was conducted with specific regard to the Executive Committee's agreed objective of wanting to attract new Fellows to the IAFL from jurisdictions not yet represented or under-represented within the IAFL Fellowship. It was widely recognised that efforts on expansion in many of those jurisdictions would be futile unless some concession on dues could be offered. It was therefore agreed that Tiered Dues would be introduced for an initial trial for three years starting from 2023. In 2024 it was agreed that Tiered Dues would run for a further 3 year period (ie.2025-end of 2027).

Chapter leaders were appropriately consulted with regard to the jurisdictions that should qualify for a reduction. It must be emphasized that the list is not based on e.g. GDP per capita, or any status accorded by any international body agency.

The qualifying list has been agreed with due regard to current IAFL membership in the countries listed and is reviewed annually by the IAFL Executive Committee.

1st year Discount

In the first year of the programme, Fellows in all jurisdictions listed in Appendix 1 are entitled to receive a 66% reduction in annual dues. The reduction is applied to both IAFL and Chapter dues. Fellows resident in countries where there is no Chapter ("Non-Chapter countries") are entitled to a 66% on IAFL dues.

2nd and 3rd year discount

In the 2nd and 3rd year, a discount of 33% is applied to the IAFL and Chapter dues.

Please see the **Frequently Asked Questions** section overleaf for further detail and clarification.

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List of Countries Qualifying for Tiered Dues in 2027

Europe:

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Romania, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Turkey, Ukraine.

Canada:

Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Northwest Territories, Nova Scotia, Nunavut, Prince Edward Island, Saskatchewan, Yukon

Africa:

All jurisdictions other than South Africa

South/Central/Latin Americas and the Caribbean:

All jurisdictions other than Cayman Islands, Argentina and Brazil

MENA States:

All jurisdictions other than Israel and UAE

Asia Pacific:

All jurisdictions other than Australia, China, Hong Kong, India*, Japan, Malaysia*, New Zealand and Singapore

**new Fellows joining as a result of the Asia Pacific meeting in Kuala Lumpur can receive Tiered Dues for the 1st three years.*

**new Fellows joining as a result of the Annual Meeting in Mumbai can receive Tiered Dues for the 1st three years.*

Central Asia:

All jurisdictions

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Tiered Dues – Frequently Asked Questions

1. **How will the discount be applied?**

For any existing IAFL Fellow resident in one of the jurisdictions listed in Appendix 1, the discount is applied to your annual dues invoices which is sent out at the beginning of November and is payable by 1 January.

2. **Does the discount apply to IAFL and Chapter dues?**

Yes! In the first year of fellowship the discount is applied to both IAFL and Chapter dues at the prevailing rate. For example:

IAFL dues will be reduced from US$650 to US$221.

Chapter dues for some countries in Europe (see Appendix 1) will be reduced from US$225 to US$75. Chapter dues for some countries in Asia (see Appendix 1) will be reduced from US$150 to US$50. Provisional Chapter dues for countries in Africa (with the exception of South Africa) will be reduced from US$75 to US$25.50.

In the 2nd and 3rd year dues are reduced from US$650 to US$435.50.

For qualifying countries European Chapter dues are reduced from US$225 to US$148.50. For qualifying countries in Asia Pacific, Chapter dues are reduced from US$150 to US$99. For qualifying countries in Africa, Provisional Chapter dues are reduced from US$75 to US$50.25.

3. **I live in a country which does not have a Chapter. What will my dues be?**

Fellows who are resident in countries which do not currently have a regional Chapter but which are listed in Appendix 1 will be entitled to the 66% reduction on IAFL dues in your first year. This means your dues will be reduced from US$650 to US$221.

4. **Are any reductions being offered for Associate or Judicial Fellows?**

No, not at this time. The dues for Associate and Judicial Fellows remain at the prevailing rate (US$80 per year).

5. **If I join part-way through the year will my dues get pro-rated?**

Currently no further reduction is offered, and the tiered dues are not pro-rated.

6. **My country doesn't appear on the list in Appendix 1. Why is this?**

Careful consideration has been given to which countries qualify for Tiered Dues, with specific thought given to countries where IAFL currently has no Fellows, or where the membership is considered very low.

7. **Will the list change?**

The list is subject to an annual review by the IAFL Executive Committee. It was reviewed for 2027, and the next review will be September 2027 (for 2028 dues). Once the dues are set, they remain in force for the entire calendar year.

8. **My country was on the Tiered Dues list but is no longer listed, why?**

The programme was targeted at under and un-represented jurisdictions. Once a jurisdiction has 3 or more Fellows, it is no longer considered to be un-represented within the IAFL.

Further Questions? Please direct any further questions to IAFL Executive Director, Annie Dunster: annie.dunster@iafl.com