

14 February 2023

From: IUFRO Headquarters – Secretariat

To: International Council Representatives 2019-2024

Subject: Information about the adjusted Membership Fees and other updates

Dear representative to the IUFRO International Council,
Dear alternate representative,

I hope the year 2023 started off well for you!

In accordance with the IUFRO Statutes and Internal Regulations, I would like to inform you about the adjustment of the annual subscription rates/membership fees for IUFRO Member Organizations and Associate Members.

According to IUFRO's Internal Regulations, the annual membership fees may be adjusted by the Board by a percentage matching the accumulated inflation rates of the country hosting the IUFRO Headquarters (currently Austria) in case the inflation rates add up to more than 5 per cent. This adjustment of the membership subscription rates requires approval by the IUFRO Board, and the International Council has to be informed about it.

The membership fees have been adjusted the last time at the beginning of 2022, also via electronic Board ballot vote. Since Austria saw a record inflation in the year 2022 (8,6% in Austria), the annual membership fees could be adjusted in order to enable IUFRO to maintain the quality of its services to its Members and Officeholders. The IUFRO Board has approved the proposed adjusted membership fees via electronic Board ballot vote on 8 February, 2023. Please find here the new rates of the Membership Fees:

<https://www.iufro.org/membership/fees/>

Additionally, we would like to inform you about the updated Terms of Reference (ToR) for the International Council representatives. The ToR for the IC representatives were updated and formally approved by the IUFRO Board at its 61st Enlarged Board Meeting in September 2022, together with other ToRs of the IUFRO Enlarged Board Members (EBM Motion 6). The background of these updates was the need to be consistent with the revised IUFRO Statutes and Internal Regulations as they are cross-referenced in these ToRs. Please find here the link to the ToR for the IC representatives and – for your background information – also those for the Members of the Enlarged Board: [LINK](#). These ToRs have also been posted on the IUFRO website at:

<https://www.iufro.org/media/general-background/>

On another note, we would also like to remind you to regularly check the IUFRO Calendar of Events (<https://www.iufro.org/events/calendar/current/>) for events organized by the various IUFRO units in your country/region. We encourage you to get in touch with the event organizers and consider participating in your capacity as your country's representatives to IUFRO's International Council.

Please also keep yourself updated with the XXVI IUFRO World Congress 2024: <https://www.iufro.org/events/congresses/2024/>. The call for abstracts has just opened with a deadline of 2 June 2023 (<https://iufro2024.com/call-for-congress-abstracts/>).

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact IUFRO Headquarters (office@iufro.org).

I look forward to a fruitful collaboration with you in the year 2023.

With best regards,

Alexander Buck
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