

IOP Membership Benefits

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Member Recruitment, Retention and Operations Manager

Membership Categories & Application Process



Associate Member

For **undergraduates, apprentices, trainees** and associated **professionals**



Member

For **graduates, postgraduates, early, mid and experienced career professionals**



Fellow

For **distinguished physicists in recognition of their accomplishments**

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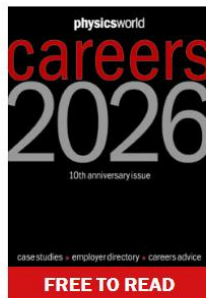
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
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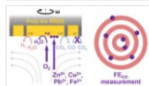
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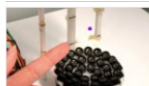
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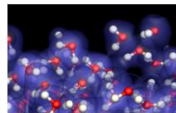
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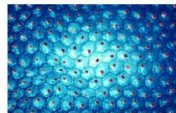
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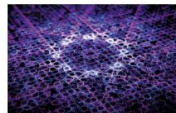
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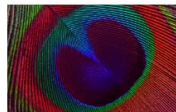
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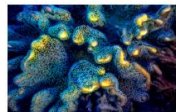
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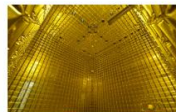
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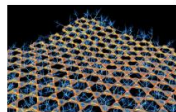
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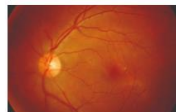
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Particle and nuclear physics



Plasmas



Quantum science

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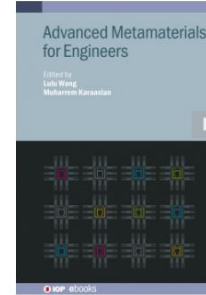
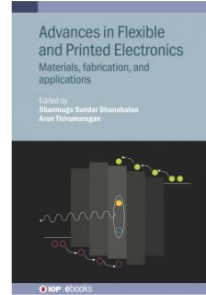
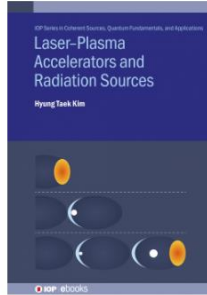
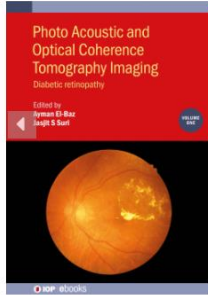
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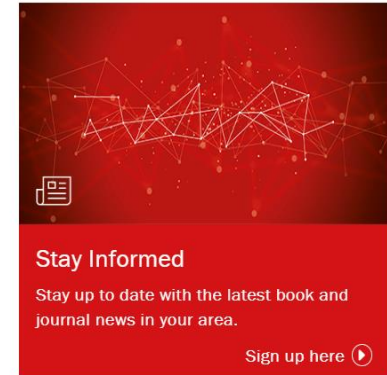
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Designatory Letters

Member: MInstP

Fellow: FInstP

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Fellowship



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- Our highest membership grade gives you the recognition you deserve for your achievements in physics.
- IOP fellowship will give you opportunities to sit on IOP committees and be the voice of the physics community across the UK and Ireland.
- Fellow grade is for distinguished physicists in recognition of their accomplishments.
- We encourage all experienced professionals to apply, whether teachers, engineers, company directors, industry specialists, senior professional technicians, academics or researchers.

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EngTech
Technician

RSci

Registered
Scientist

RSciTech

Registered
Science Technician

Special Interest Groups

A

- Applied Mechanics Group
- Astroparticle Physics Group
- Atomic and Molecular Interactions Group

B

- Biological Physics Group
- British Carbon Group
- British Radiofrequency Spectroscopy Group (Magnetic Resonance Group)
- Business Innovation and Growth Group

C

- Combustion Physics Group
- Computational Physics Group

D

- Dielectrics and Electrostatics Group

E

- Early Career Members Group
- Electron Microscopy and Analysis Group
- Energy Group
- Environmental Physics Group

F

- Food Physics Group

G

- Gravitational Physics Group

H

- High Energy Particle Physics Group
- Higher Education Group
- History of Physics Group

I

- Instrument Science and Technology Group
- Ion and Plasma Surface Interactions Group

L

- Liquids and Complex Fluids Group
- Low Temperature Group

M

- Magnetism Group
- Materials and Characterisation Group
- Mathematical and Theoretical Physics Group
- Medical Physics Group
- Molecular Physics Group

N

- Nanoscale Physics and Technology Group
- Neutron Scattering Group
- Nonlinear and Complex Physics Group
- Nuclear Industry Group
- Nuclear Physics Group

O

- Optical Group

P

- Particle Accelerators and Beams Group
- Physical Acoustics Group
- Physics Communicators Group
- Plasma Physics Group
- Polymer Physics Group
- Printing and Graphics Science Group

Q

- Quantum Business Innovation and Growth (qBIG) Group
- Quantum Electronics and Photonics Group
- Quantum Optics, Quantum Information and Quantum Control Group

S

- Semiconductor Physics Group
- Shock Wave and Extreme Conditions Group
- Space Group
- Structural Condensed Matter Physics Group
- Superconductivity Group

T

- Theory of Condensed Matter Group
- Thin Films and Surfaces Group
- Tribology Group

V

- Vacuum Group

W

- Women in Physics Group

Nations & Branches

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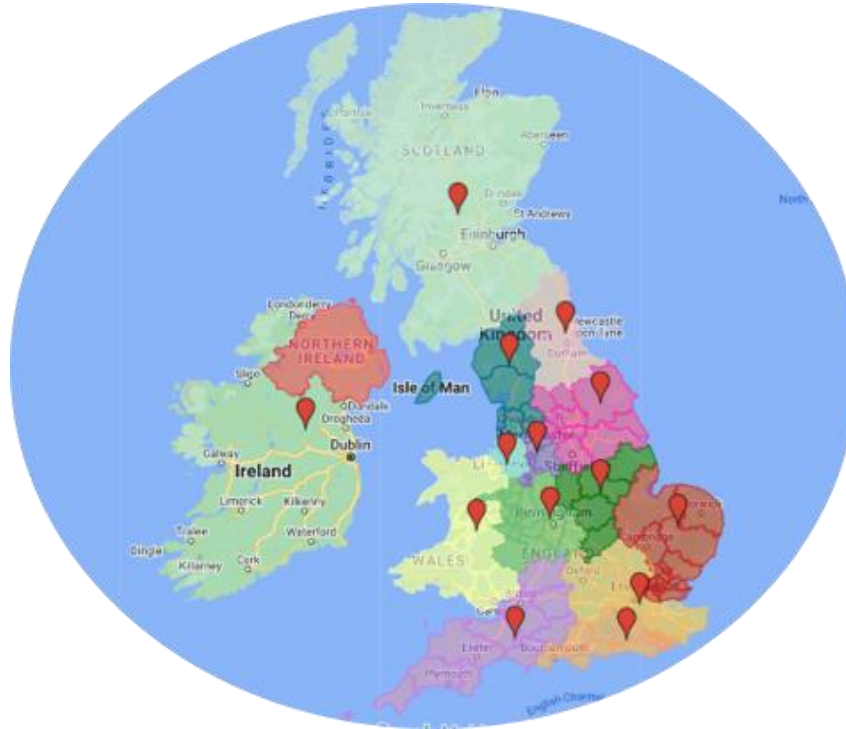
IOP Wales

East Anglia

East Midlands

**Lancashire
and Cumbria**

**London and
South East**



**Manchester
and District**

Merseyside

North East

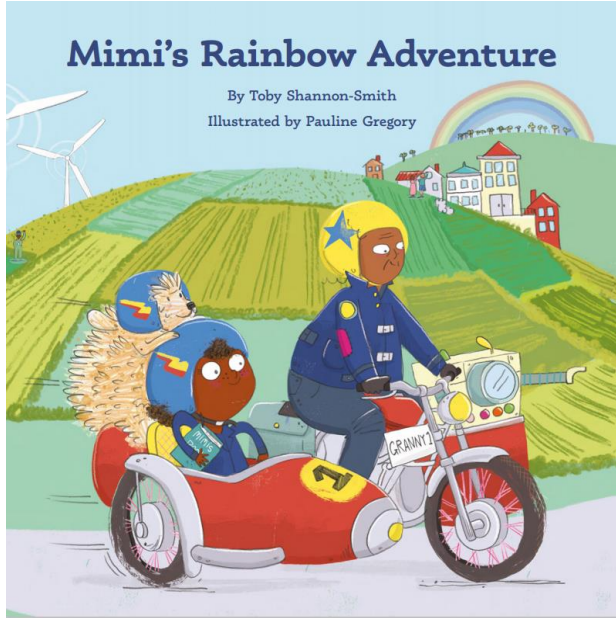
South Central

South West

West Midlands

Yorkshire


Mimi's Adventures



Events

Events

Events for the physics community across the UK and Ireland.



Check www.iop.org/events for the latest event updates across the UK & Ireland
Discounted Rates for IOP Members

Conferences

1 or more Special Interest Groups

**Present Work/Research as
Speakers or via Poster Sessions**

Networking Opportunities

**1 Day Member Discount:
£25 (Full Fee) / £15 (Student)**

**Multi Days Member Discount:
£130 (Full Fee) / £30 (Student)**

<https://www.iop.org/physics-community/iop-conferences>

Support grants and funds available to help facilitate attendance

2026 Conferences

52nd IOP Annual Plasma Physics Conference

7-10 April 2026
Elphinstone Hall, University of Aberdeen, UK



Annual APP and HEPP Conference

8-10 April 2026
John McIntyre Conference Centre,
University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK



PVSAT 2026

22-24 April 2026
The Catalyst, Newcastle, UK



Synergy for Science 2026
Meeting for a Healthier Future
12-16 July 2026
Scottish Event Campus, Glasgow, UK



Support Grants – UK & Ireland

Grant Name	Amount	Purpose
IOP Accessibility Fund	Up to £500	To enable members who could not otherwise go to an event or conference because they are a parent or carer. Minimum of 12 months as a member.
Public Engagement Grant Scheme	Up to £3,000	To run physics-based activities in the UK and Ireland that improve people's relationship with physics in their family or community groups.
IOP Teacher Training Scholarships	Up to £30,000	For those starting teacher training in England in September 2025 who are passionate about physics and have the potential to become inspirational teachers.
Kelvin Maxwell Fund	Variable	A fund to inspire audiences and physicists exclusively in Scotland.
IOP Ireland Outreach Grants	Up to €1,000	To support outreach activities and initiatives in Ireland and Northern Ireland.
Returners Funding Support	Variable	To support IOP members who are on or returning from a career break by covering the registration fee to attend an IOP event or conference

Support Grants – All Members

Grant Name	Amount	Purpose
Bell Burnell Graduate Scholarship Fund	Variable	Is for full- or part-time graduates wishing to study towards a doctorate in physics and from groups that are currently underrepresented in physics.
The Physics Benevolent Fund	Variable	To provide support for members, or their dependants, during unemployment, ill-health or a career break.
International Member Grant	Up to £500	A grant of £500 to support members outside of the UK and Ireland to run activities in partnership with their national physics societies.
Early Career Researchers Fund	Up to £300	For early career researchers who are members of the IOP to attend international meetings and visit international facilities.
Research Student Conference Fund	Up to £300	This grant provides support for PhD students to attend a conference or major event.
CR Barber Trust	£100-£300	For PhD students who want to attend an overseas conference to help cover registration fees, travel expenses or accommodation.

IOP Office Conference / Meeting Space Discounts



- 5 minute walk from London Kings Cross
- Seminar Room 4: Free of Charge (Capacity of 8)
- 30% Discount on Meeting and Conference Room Hire

IOP Members Lounge



2026 Membership Categories & Prices

Category	Standard	Concession
Undergraduate, Apprentice, Trainee*	£15.00 £0.04 per day	N/A
Associate	£122.00 £0.33 per day	£37.00 £0.10 per day
Member**	£136.00 £0.37 per day	£41.00 £0.11 per day
Fellow	£170.00 £0.47 per day	£51.00 £0.14 per day
Hon. Fellow	N/A	N/A

*A special concession of £15 per annum is applied to Members for the first full years completing their undergraduate studies. This is known as GRAD15.

**Any individual on a course of Postgraduate Study qualifies for the concession rate.

Concession Rate Update

A concession will apply to a member earning less than £26,500 (pegged to the London Living Wage) per annum. The concession also applies to a member that is retired, employed part-time, undertaking postgraduate study, on a career break, on maternity leave, unemployed, or is unable to work due to a long-term illness.

We are pleased to announce that *the eligibility for the concession rate has been expanded to include teachers of pre-19 physics.*

Non-Member Registered Delegates

In recognition of the conference registration fee differential we are offering complimentary membership for the remainder of 2026.

Please visit the IOP stand to find out further details.

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