

Membership in IUPAP

From IUPAP Articles of Association:

A. Member joins IUPAP in one of the defined categories negotiated by the ECI and approved by the GA. B. A Member's dues are defined by the membership category. The dues for each membership category are given as a multiple of a unit, the monetary value of which is determined by the GA.

D. A Member in arrears for three years loses its right to vote in the General Assembly, but may continue to participate in the activities of IUPAP and may nominate members to Commissions. A Member in arrears for six years is excluded from IUPAP.

E. A Member which has resigned from IUPAP, or been excluded under Article 9 (D), may apply to rejoin IUPAP under terms negotiated by the ECI, and approved by the GA.

F. In exceptional circumstances, the EC may make a temporary adjustment to a Member's dues.

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Territorial members (TMs) can be of category 1 through 18 and pay dues of as many units as their category number. The number of votes in the GA of each of these members is:

Cat 1: 1 vote; **Cat 2-3:** 2 votes; **Cat 4-6:** 3 votes; **Cat 7-9:** 4 votes; **Cat 10-15:** 5 votes; **Cat 16-18:** 6 votes.

The chairs of Commissions and ACs are the only personal (*ex officio*) members of IUPAP and pay no dues. They are category 19 and each of them has 1 vote at the GA.

Corporate Associate Members (CAMs) are category 20 and pay dues of a number of units negotiated with the EC. They have no vote at the GA.

Associate Territorial Members (ATMs) are category 21, pay dues of 10% of a single unit and have no vote at the GA. ATMs are relatively small physics communities from developing territories which commit to grow. IUPAP monitors this progress over a three-year period, renewable for however long it takes to bring the territory to a level where it can realistically join IUPAP as a regular TM. They cannot nominate candidates for regular commission members (only associated commission members).

What could be done to secure a more stable continuous participation of LAC territories in IUPAP

Associated Territorial Members (this is a temporary status and a progression to full membership should be envisaged; a strategy for the development of the community should be defined)

Full territorial member involving the physical societies of several neighboring countries

Solidarity scheme involving other stakeholders of the region who could be candidates to eventually become IUPAP Corporate Associate Members (CAMs)

Not necessarily related to membership: creation of an affiliated commission representing the region to strengthen the relationship of the physics communities of the region with IUPAP (could be involved in the selection of conferences for sponsorship in the region? Selection of awards?)