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# About the International Bar Association – The global voice of the legal profession

**T**he International Bar Association (IBA), established in 1947, is the world's leading organisation of international legal practitioners, bar associations, law firms and law societies.

The IBA influences the development of international law reform and shapes the future of the legal profession throughout the world. It has a membership of more than 80,000 individual lawyers and more than 190 bar associations and law societies spanning over 160 countries.

Inspired by the vision of the UN, the IBA was founded in the same spirit, just before the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was proclaimed in 1948.

The principal aims and objectives of the IBA are:

- to promote an exchange of information and views among its members as to laws, practices and professional responsibilities around the globe;
- to support the independence of the judiciary and the right of lawyers to practise their profession without interference;
- to support human rights for lawyers worldwide through the IBA's Human Rights Institute;
- to provide members with world class professional development to enable them and their organisations to deliver outstanding legal services
- to deliver top level international network-building opportunities; and
- to be committed to the development of international law reform.

The IBA covers all practice areas and professional interests, providing members with access to leading experts and up-to-date information.

Through its various committees, fora and task forces, the IBA facilitates the exchange of information and views among its members as to laws, practices and professional responsibilities relating to the practice of law around the globe.

By joining the IBA you become part of the leading global network of lawyers. Partners from virtually every major law firm in every major city worldwide are members. They join the IBA for its combination of education, information and networking.

## How you benefit

- Unique Global Networking Opportunity – Unrivalled networking opportunities through a network of 80,000 lawyers and 50+ IBA conferences per annum
- Get Active – Contribute to the debate on changes in international regulation and legal practice and putting across your perspective and experience
- Knowledge – Build your knowledge and expertise through meeting international thought leaders in areas that impact your client's operations
- Develop Expertise – join any of the 70+ IBA Specialist Committees and Fora, gaining access to sector and practice area specific information, online information, publications, events and networking



## How your firm benefits:

- Risk Awareness – Business intelligence on issues allowing you to pre-empt their impact and to exploit the opportunities they present
- Global Reach – Conferences held in locations worldwide and attract a wide international audience
- Local Knowledge and contacts – Participation in Regional Forums – what's happening in regions where your firm's clients have interests
- Cost Saving – discounted IBA member fee at all the IBA conferences worldwide, including the IBA Annual Conference – the world's largest global gathering of international business lawyers – an unrivalled business intelligence opportunity
- Free Resources – The latest information on legal developments in your chosen committee practice areas as part of membership – plus subscriptions to *IBA Global Insight*, the IBA's flagship bi-monthly magazine and *Business Law International*, the journal of the Legal Practice Division

# IBA membership

Membership of the IBA guarantees you the unique opportunity to access the world's leading network of international business lawyers, to develop your practice internationally and to ensure that, no matter where you are based, you have the opportunity to work on a level playing field alongside your peers.

## Who can join?

Membership of the IBA is open to all members of the legal profession, including attorneys, counsellors, solicitors, barristers, advocates, members of the judiciary, full time professors and students of law.

## Membership categories

There are two types of individual membership package: Full Membership and General Membership.

**Full IBA membership** includes membership of the IBA, one committee in the LPD and one committee in the PPID, as well as one regional forum. Any additional committees in both divisions and/or regional fora can be purchased at £25 per committee/forum.

**General IBA membership** includes membership of the IBA, one committee in the PPID and one regional forum.

Any additional committees in the PPID and/or regional fora can be purchased at £25 per committee/forum.

See page 10 for details.

## Unique networking opportunities

- Gain access to a network of over 80,000 lawyers in over 160 jurisdictions from the world's leading law firms
- Select from over 70 specialist committees and regional fora to build contacts in your specialist field
- Generate business from new contacts and build your network of lawyers to do business with around the world



## Attend the biggest leading legal conferences in cities around the world

- Discounted rates to attend over 50 IBA conferences worldwide each year
- Discuss hot topics and keep up-to-date with the latest developments – while earning your quota of CPD/CLE points
- Attend the IBA Annual Conference – the world's biggest international conference for lawyers unrivalled in scope and opportunities
- Network with the leaders in your field

## Get involved

- Have your voice heard – be part of the debate on international law reform and make your own contribution to the advancement of cross-border law firms

## Gain exclusive access to online resources available to members only

- Access the IBA's leading publications, newsletters, or journals
- Learn about key developments, new legislation and real-world issues faced each day internationally through our series of magazines and journals
- Use our huge online library of news analysis, articles, film and informed opinion on all legal specialisations



# The IBA structure

## Legal Practice Division (LPD)

The LPD covers all practice areas of law. Its objectives are to:

- Promote an interchange of information and views among its members as to laws, practices and professional responsibilities relating to the practice of law throughout the world
- Facilitate communication among its members
- Provide the opportunity to all its members to be active in the division through its sections, committees, fora and other groupings
- Undertake such related projects as may be approved from time to time by the Division's Council

## Public and Professional Interest Division (PPID)

The PPID includes the Section on Public and Professional Interest (SPPI), the Bar Issues Commission (BIC) and the International Bar Association's Human Rights Institute (IBAHRI). It provides a wide array of projects, activities, committees and other entities focusing on issues and professional interests that make the practice of law a profession, and not only an occupation. Its objectives are to:

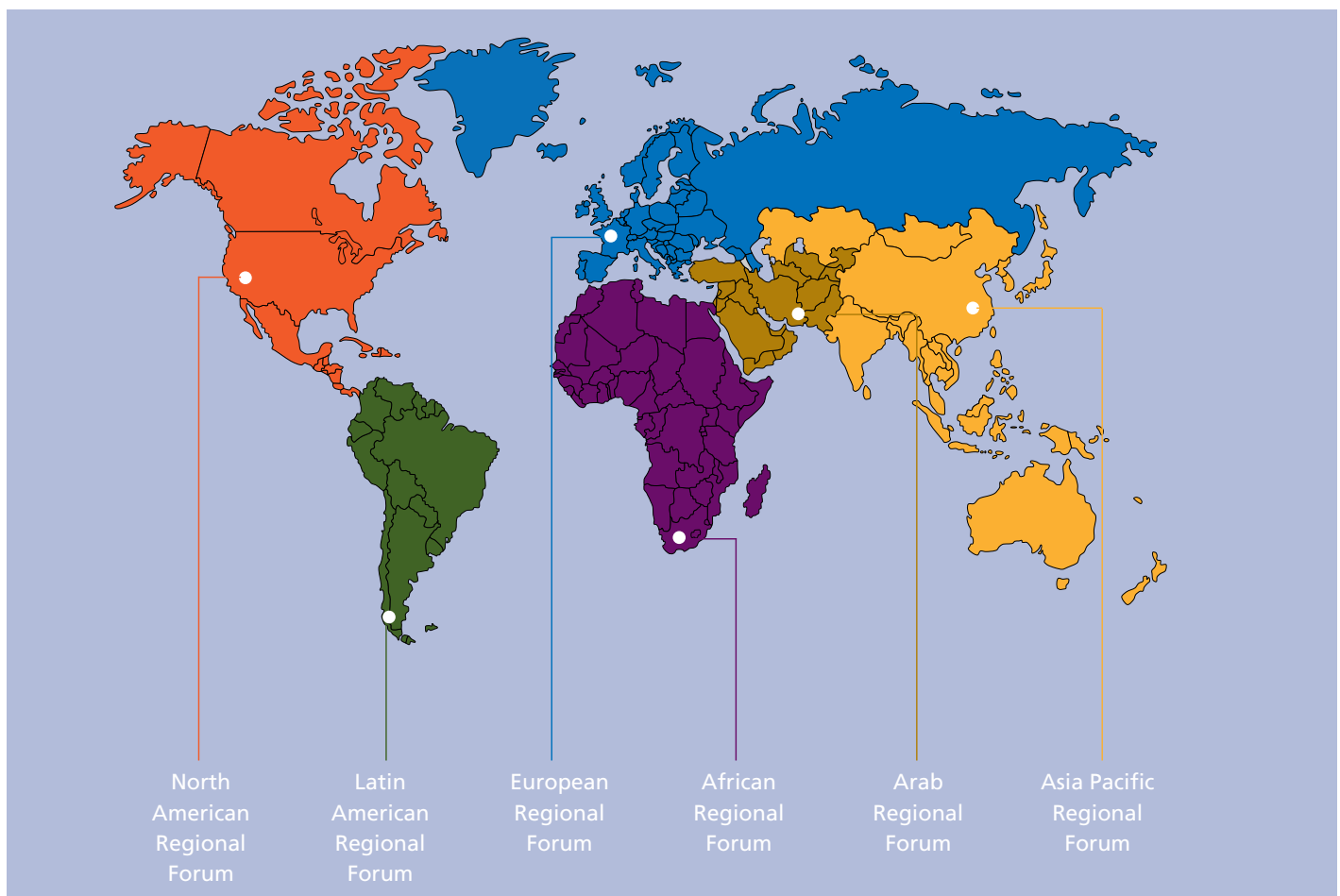
- Promote an interchange of information and views among member organisations of the association and its individual members about the public and professional interest activities of the legal profession throughout the world
- Support and promote those activities, the rule of law and the defence of human rights
- Facilitate communication among member organisations and division members
- Provide the opportunity to member organisations and all members to be active in the Division through its BIC, committees, fora and other groupings; and to undertake such related projects as may be approved from time to time by the Division's leadership

## Regional fora

IBA regional fora represent the interests of members practising in, or with links to, a particular region.

They provide networking opportunities, organise conferences and sessions at conferences, and produce publications with regional relevance.

There are six regional fora, which between them cover the globe (below).



# IBA conferences – CPD/CLE accreditation



Conferences fulfil one of the IBA's most important objectives – the promotion of dialogue and interchange between lawyers throughout the world. They also provide a forum for the dissemination of specialist information on all areas of the law.

The IBA stages and supports over 50 specialist conferences each year in major cities throughout the world, reflecting the breadth of practice areas, professional interests and global scope of the Association.

As well as the opportunity for unparalleled international networking, attending IBA conferences is a great way to meet your continuing professional development requirements, with all IBA events carrying CPD/CLE accreditation.



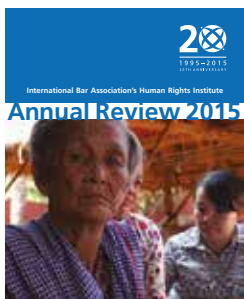
Full and further information on upcoming IBA events can be found at [www.ibanet.org/conferences/conferences\\_home.aspx](http://www.ibanet.org/conferences/conferences_home.aspx).

## The International Bar Association's Human Rights Institute

The International Bar Association's Human Rights Institute (IBAHRI), established in 1995, works to promote and protect human rights and the independence of the legal profession worldwide. The IBAHRI undertakes training for lawyers and judges, capacity building programmes with bar associations and law societies, and conducts high-level fact-finding missions and trial observations. The IBAHRI liaises closely with international and regional human rights organisations, producing news releases and publications to highlight issues of concern to worldwide media.



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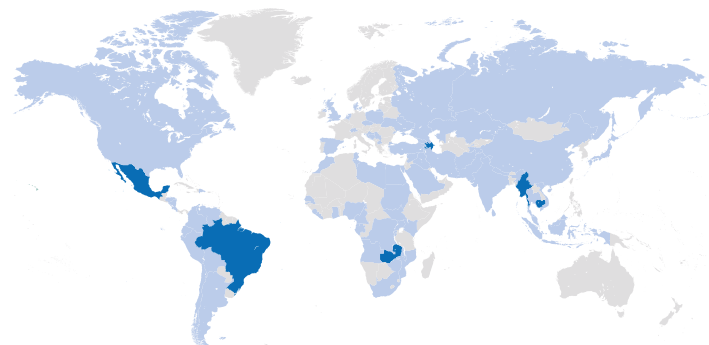


All IBAHRI activities are funded by grants and individual donations.

To help support our projects, become a member for just £40 a year – less than £4 a month.

Visit [www.ibanet.org/IBAHRI.aspx](http://www.ibanet.org/IBAHRI.aspx) for more information, and click **join** to become a member. Alternatively, email us at [hri@int-bar.org](mailto:hri@int-bar.org).

To read more on IBAHRI activities, download the IBAHRI Annual Review 2015 at <http://tinyurl.com/IBAHRI-AnnualReview2015>.



### Our work around the world

 Work carried out in 2015  Work carried out prior to 2015



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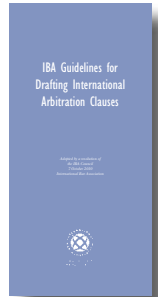
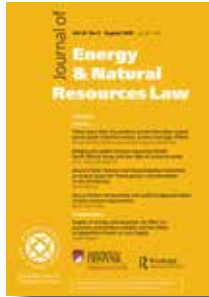
# Media and publications

The IBA's wide range of publications, films and online content will help you stay abreast of the latest industry news and developments.

The IBA produces six magazines and journals aimed at various practice areas, which are included in membership packages, dependant on the section selected. They offer in-depth

analysis and insight from academics and practitioners, covering contemporary legal issues and developments across the globe.

Committees also produce regular newsletters and bulletins relevant to their practice area or region, which feature reports on conferences, events and committee news, as well as practice rules and guidelines, available in print and online.



## Global Insight

*Global Insight* is the IBA's bi-monthly membership magazine for IBA members. It provides insight and analysis from, and for, the international legal profession. It covers the latest legal, business and human rights issues, IBA updates and news, and is available in print direct to your door, online and through the free IBA *Global Insight* app.



## Online and on the move

The IBA has a wealth of online resources, from analysis of the latest legal, business and human rights news to filmed interviews with high-level experts.

Members can also access their member benefits online, including *Global Insight* features, journal articles, conference materials and committee forums.

Recent articles include:

- Attack of the drones – Assessing the law in the 'Age of the Drone'
- Finance – Sleepwalking into another crisis
- Reaping the whirlwind – Turkey in turmoil
- Gene editing – Can the law keep up?





## Films and multimedia

You will be the first to receive live webcast interview alerts – sign up to watch them live and put your questions to high-level experts. Recent interviews include:

Loretta E Lynch, US Attorney General; General Colin Powell (ret), Former US Secretary of State; Asma Muttawa, General Legal Counsel, OPEC; Arlene Foster, First Minister of Northern Ireland, and Jack Straw Former UK Home Secretary.

## IBA App

With the IBA App you can search for IBA members by name, city, country, committee or area of practice and make contact via email. You can also upload a photo and write a short biography, so make sure your areas of practice are accurately represented to connect to the right people. The IBA App also now includes additional functionality to provide you with the latest legal news, updates and content while on the move.

- Simply download the App (search for International Bar Association and download the IBA Members' Directory) via the Apple App Store or Google Play Store
- Login with your IBA membership user ID and password
- Search the full IBA Member Directory or update your My IBA profile



## eyewitness to Atrocities



In 2015, the IBA launched eyeWitness to Atrocities – a mobile app which seeks to bring to justice individuals who commit atrocities by providing human rights defenders, journalists, and ordinary citizens with the ability to capture much needed verifiable video and photos of these abuses. eyeWitness then becomes an ongoing advocate for the footage to promote accountability for those who commit the worst international crimes.

## IBA Digital

The IBA recognises that not all of our members can attend the IBA conferences, therefore, many of the conference materials have been made available online.

To catch up on all the latest updates from the IBA's conferences go to [www.ibanet.org/iba\\_digital.aspx](http://www.ibanet.org/iba_digital.aspx) to watch sessions online. You can access it free; all that is required is your name and email address.



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# Frequently asked questions

## How long does the membership year last?

Membership runs from 1 January to 31 December. Those joining after 1 September in a given year will receive member benefits for the remainder of that calendar year at no extra cost, that's up to 16 months membership for the price of 12, if membership is paid at the time of joining.

## What are my direct benefits as an IBA member?

IBA membership guarantees an opportunity to access a vast online library of legal resources and content and to receive the latest IBA publications, such as Global Insight, magazine, newsletters and journals.

Members also receive discounts to a IBA conference registration or on the purchase of IBA products.

For a full list of benefits please refer to the Membership benefits section on page 4.

IBA members can benefit from being part of a network of fellow members by updating their IBA public profile with photographs and biographies. Their public profile will then be available for other IBA members to view.

## How long do I need to wait before I can get my membership card?

Your membership card will be sent within a month of processing your application form.

## Do I get a membership certificate?

No, we do not normally send membership certificates. However, should you require an IBA membership certificate, there will be a charge of £15 per certificate.

## Does IBA membership entitle me to practice law?

The IBA is a non-regulatory body and membership does not entitle anyone to practice law in any jurisdiction.

## How do I pay?

You can pay online by credit or debit card, or you can download your invoice and pay by bank transfer, or by cheque.

## Will I be asked to renew?

Yes, we will send renewal notices in January of each year to remind you that it is time to renew your membership.

## What should be my first step after joining?

On joining, you will be sent your unique login details. Log into MyIBA and complete your personal profile.

## Where can I find information about my committees?

From MyIBA you can look through all relevant materials and media connected to your chosen committees.

## Can members sign up to conferences online?

Yes. New members will be sent login details by email. Once you receive them you will be able to go to MyIBA area of the website, where you can sign up to conferences, purchase IBA products, pay or check the status of your payment.

Members who are unable to make online payments will not be able to register for conferences online and will be required to complete a hard-copy registration form.

## Do I get a discount if I register more than one lawyer from the same firm?

No. However, if a significant number of lawyers from your firm wish to become members of the IBA, your firm may want to consider joining as a Group Member firm. For further details please see [www.ibanet.org/Membership/Group\\_Membership.aspx](http://www.ibanet.org/Membership/Group_Membership.aspx).

## Is the membership invoice pro-rated?

No. The IBA membership runs from 1 January to 31 December and it is not pro-rated.





### **By choosing a free regional forum as a part of my membership am I entitled to attend one of the regional conferences for free?**

No, your membership does not entitle you to attend any regional conferences for free.

The word 'forum' can often be misinterpreted to mean a 'conference'. When used by the IBA, 'forum' is an alternative name for a committee. A regional forum is a committee set up to represent the interests of members practising in, or with links to, a particular region.

### **Are any conferences included in the membership price?**

No, you are not invited to any free conferences as a part of your membership package. But, as a member, you can receive a significant discount on IBA conference fees.

### **How do I change my personal details?**

MyIBA offers you an easy way to update your personal details online, alternatively you can email **member@int-bar.org** and inform us of your new contact details.

### **How do I find out my IBA membership number?**

Your membership number will be sent to you in a welcome email. It will also be displayed on your membership card.

### **Can I pay a discounted rate for my membership?**

Discounted rates are available for full-time academics, judges, government lawyers, retired lawyers and lawyers from low income countries, see our website for further details:

**[www.int-bar.org/countries\\_eligible\\_for\\_discount.cfm](http://www.int-bar.org/countries_eligible_for_discount.cfm)**.

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**Join online:** go to [www.int-bar.org/registration/iba\\_membership.cfm](http://www.int-bar.org/registration/iba_membership.cfm)

**Email:** scan and send your completed application from to [member@int-bar.org](mailto:member@int-bar.org)

**Post:** complete the IBA membership application form and send it to:



**Membership Department**  
International Bar Association  
4th Floor, 10 St Bride Street  
London EC4A 4AD  
United Kingdom

**Fax:** send your completed application to us on +44(0)20 7842 0091

For membership enquiries in **Latin America** please email: [latin.membership@int-bar.org](mailto:latin.membership@int-bar.org)

For membership enquiries in **Asia** please email: [asia.membership@int-bar.org](mailto:asia.membership@int-bar.org)

For membership enquiries in **North America** please email: [member@int-bar.org](mailto:member@int-bar.org)

## IBA membership prices

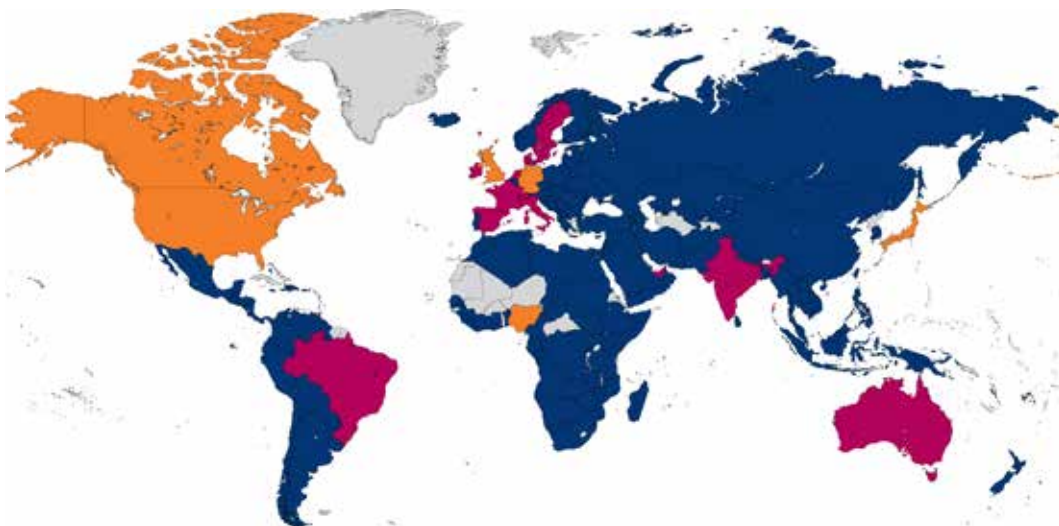
**Full IBA membership:** Standard rate £260/year \* Discounted rate £156/year

**General IBA membership:** Standard rate £135/year \* Discounted rate £81/year

\*Discounted membership: a 40 per cent discount is available for full-time academics, judges, government lawyers, retired lawyers and lawyers from low income countries. View the low-income country listing on the IBA website [www.int-bar.org/countries\\_eligible\\_for\\_discount.cfm](http://www.int-bar.org/countries_eligible_for_discount.cfm).

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## Where do IBA members come from



### Key to membership figures

- 1–500
- 501–1,000
- 1,001+



# Application for IBA Membership

4th Floor, 10 St Bride Street, London EC4A 4AD, United Kingdom

Tel: +44 (0)20 7842 0090 Fax: +44 (0)20 7842 0091 email: [member@int-bar.org](mailto:member@int-bar.org)

Code: BRO2017

## 1. Personal Details What type of lawyer are you? Please tick one

☐ Government/Public Lawyer/Judge ☐ Academic ☐ Barrister ☐ Private Practitioner ☐ Retired ☐ In-House Counsel ☐ Non Practising Qualified Lawyer

Please indicate up to five areas of practice that you are interested in:

Bar Associations or Law Societies to which you belong:

Jurisdictions in which you are admitted to practise law:

### Contact details

Your contact details will constitute your entry into the directory of members. This information will be available to other members in the directory and on the website.

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Surname/Family Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Gender ☐ Male ☐ Female Firm Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

County/State \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your spoken languages (these will be published in the directory of members) \_\_\_\_\_

IBA membership listings are provided to relevant third parties for marketing purposes. The IBA will treat your personal information with the utmost respect and in accordance with UK data privacy laws. If you are agreeable to passing on your details, please tick this box ☐

## 2. Select Membership Package

Two membership packages are available. Please select the package you require.

### ☐ Full IBA Membership

This includes membership of the IBA, LPD and PPID (with one free Committee in LPD **and** one free Constituent in PPID **and** one Regional Forum)

Fee £260 \*discounted fee £156

### ☐ General IBA Membership

This includes membership of the IBA and the PPID (with one free Constituent in PPID **and** one free Regional Forum)

Fee £135 \*discounted fee £81

#### Eligible for 40 per cent discount?

Retired lawyers, academics, judges, government lawyers and applicants from low income countries. (Please see [www.ibanet.org](http://www.ibanet.org) for listing)

☐ **IBA Patron Membership** An IBA Patron is a FULL member with higher annual dues which contribute to the IBA's Pro Bono work.

**Fee £325 \*no discounted fee** This includes membership of the IBA, LPD and PPID (with one free Committee in LPD and one free Constituent in PPID or Regional Forum)

## 3. Optional Donations

### Human Rights Institute Membership Please tick the type of membership you would like:

☐ HRI member £40 pa ☐ 10th Anniversary member £60 pa for 10 years ☐ Life membership £1,000

### Donation to IBAHRI Trust

Please tick the amount you wish to donate: ☐ £15 ☐ £30 ☐ £50 ☐ £75 ☐ £100

#### UK Income Tax Payers

Help us increase the value of your gift by a quarter – at no extra cost to you:

Yes, I would like the IBA to treat the donations I make from today's date as Gift Aid donations, therefore qualifying for tax relief, until I notify you otherwise.

I understand that the tax the IBA reclaims on these gifts (currently 25p for every £1 I give) must not exceed the total amount of income and/or capital gains tax which I pay in any tax year.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

House name/number \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Please treat as Gift Aid donations all qualifying gifts of money made ☐ today ☐ in the future Please tick all boxes you wish to apply.



#### 4. Select Committees, Constituents and/or Fora

IBA activities are primarily driven by members who group together in Committees or Constituents based on practice areas and specialist interests. Additional Committees and Constituents can be joined at a cost of £25 each.

Please tick all those you wish to join

##### Legal Practice Division (LPD) Committees £25 each (ONLY AVAILABLE TO FULL MEMBERS)

(Dues for the first Committee included in FULL membership fee)

###### Antitrust and Trade Law Section

- ☐ Antitrust
- ☐ International Trade and Customs Law

###### Corporate Counsel Forum

- ☐ Corporate Counsel Forum  
(Only applicable to corporate counsel lawyers)

###### Corporate Law Section

- ☐ Closely Held and Growing Business Enterprises
- ☐ Corporate and M&A Law
- ☐ Corporate Social Responsibility

###### Criminal Law Section

- ☐ Anti-Corruption
- ☐ Business Crime
- ☐ Criminal Law

###### Dispute Resolution Section

- ☐ Arbitration
- ☐ Consumer Litigation
- ☐ Litigation
- ☐ Mediation
- ☐ Negligence and Damages

###### Energy, Environment, Natural Resources and Infrastructure Law Section

- ☐ Environment, Health and Safety Law
- ☐ International Construction Projects
- ☐ Mining Law

- ☐ Oil and Gas Law
- ☐ Power Law
- ☐ Water Law

###### Financial Services Section

- ☐ Banking Law
- ☐ Capital Markets Forum
- ☐ Insurance
- ☐ Investment Funds
- ☐ Securities Law

###### Human Resources Section

- ☐ Discrimination and Equality Law
- ☐ Employment and Industrial Relations Law
- ☐ IBA Global Employment Institute
- ☐ Immigration and Nationality Law

###### Insolvency Section

- ☐ Insolvency

###### Intellectual Property, Communications and Technology Section

- ☐ Art, Cultural Institutions and Heritage Law
- ☐ Communications Law
- ☐ Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law
- ☐ Media Law
- ☐ Space Law
- ☐ Technology Law

###### International Sales, Franchising and Product Law Section

- ☐ International Franchising
- ☐ International Sales
- ☐ Product Law and Advertising

###### Law and Individual Rights Section

- ☐ Family Law
- ☐ Healthcare and Life Sciences Law
- ☐ Indigenous Peoples

###### Leisure Industries Section

- ☐ Leisure Industries

###### Maritime and Aviation Law Section

- ☐ Aviation Law
- ☐ Maritime and Transport Law

###### Public Law Section

- ☐ Public Law

###### Real Estate Section

- ☐ Real Estate

###### Taxation Section

- ☐ Individual Tax and Private Client
- ☐ Taxes

##### Regional Fora £25 each

(Please choose one Regional Forum as a free choice in both FULL and GENERAL membership.)

- ☐ African Regional Forum
- ☐ Arab Regional Forum

- ☐ Asia Pacific Regional Forum
- ☐ European Regional Forum

- ☐ Latin American Regional Forum
- ☐ North American Regional Forum

##### Public and Professional Interest Division (PPID) Entities £25 each

(AVAILABLE TO FULL AND GENERAL MEMBERS)

Please note that if you opt for 'general' IBA Membership, you are only entitled to join additional Committees within the PPID (with the exception of the Regional Fora in the LPD). Should you, as a 'general' IBA member, want to join a Committee within the LPD, you will need to change your membership to 'full' IBA membership.

Please tick all those you wish to join

- ☐ Bar Issues Commission
- ☐ Academic and Professional Development
- ☐ Access to Justice and Legal Aid
- ☐ Alternative and New Law Business Structures
- ☐ Forum for Barristers and Advocates
- ☐ Human Rights Law

- ☐ Judges' Forum
- ☐ Law Firm Management
- ☐ Law Students
- ☐ Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex Law
- ☐ Pro Bono
- ☐ Professional Ethics

- ☐ Regulation of Lawyers' Compliance
- ☐ Senior Lawyers'
- ☐ War Crimes
- ☐ Women Lawyers' Interest Group
- ☐ Young Lawyers'

#### 5. Payment Please indicate your method of payment:

**FINAL TOTAL: £**

- ☐ Credit card
- ☐ Sterling cheque or bankers' draft
- ☐ US dollar cheque or bankers' draft
- ☐ Bank transfer\*

##### Please invoice me

If paying by credit card please complete: Credit card type: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Amex

Cardholder's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Card No \_\_\_\_\_

Exp \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

##### \* Bank transfers

All bank transfers must show applicant's name as shown on this application form.

The IBA's bank is: National Westminster plc, 208 Piccadilly, London W1A 2DG, United Kingdom, Sortcode 560003. Swift address: NWBKGB2L.

Sterling Account number: 13270222 IBAN no: GB05NWBK56000313270222

Occasionally, information received from banks is incomplete, making it difficult to credit the appropriate member.

A copy of the Bank Transfer Advice **MUST** be attached to the application form and sent to:

**International Bar Association**, 4th Floor, 10 St Bride Street, London EC4A 4AD, United Kingdom member@int-bar.org