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ICC Membership: Improved Benefits and More Flexibility

Dear Colleagues and Friends of ICC,

ICC is most pleased to announce Improved Membership Benefits and more Flexible Membership Options.

In response to feedback from ICC members, during first half of 2009 a Task Group on Membership chaired by ICC President Prof John Taylor evaluated ways to improve member benefits and make ICC membership more flexible, so that as many people as possible around the world can be involved in the ICC family. In making its recommendations, the Membership Task Group consulted with all ICC members and also evaluated the membership structures of other associations.

The Task Group's recommendations were accepted by the ICC Executive Committee at its annual meeting in Vienna in June 2009 and will be implemented from January 2010.

Improved Membership Benefits

These include

- Improved discounts for National Delegate participation in ICC supported conferences
- Discounts for ICC conference participation extended to Deputy National Delegates
- Increased representation for ICC Country Members in the General Assembly
- Reduced Country Membership fees for developing countries *)
- Free subscription to the ICC scientific journal QAS - Quality Assurance and Safety of Crops & Foods for National Delegates
- Detailed improved benefits for Corporate Members

More Flexible Membership Options

- Scientific institutions can now become Institutional Members of ICC with individual voting rights in the General Assembly, plus other benefits
- Two or more member institutions in a country, depending on the size of the country, can constitute a Country Member with full membership rights and benefits

**) Please note that making use of the discounted fee reduces a country's number of votes in the ICC General Assembly. However, upgrading to become a fully paying Country Member is possible at any time and thus securing full voting rights.*




- Subscriber option for individuals entitling them to free subscription to the ICC scientific journal QAS - Quality Assurance and Safety of Crops & Foods, plus other benefits of being associated with ICC

Full details of the improved benefits and more flexible membership options are given in the Country Membership, Institutional Membership, Corporate Membership and Subscriber brochures and on the ICC website www.icc.or.at.

Currently, these documents are still in draft form, as a formal approval by the ICC General Assembly is still pending.

Should you have any questions about the improved ICC membership benefits and flexible membership options, please contact either ICC President Prof. John Taylor (john.taylor@up.ac.za) or ICC Secretary General, Dr. Roland Poms (roland.poms@icc.or.at).


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