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Dear IBMA Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the International Biocontrol Manufacturers' Association (IBMA)!

As the voice of the Biocontrol industry, IBMA represents all its members to promote biocontrol and bring to the market via proportionate regulation modern, green biocontrol tools, inspired by, harnessed or harvested from nature. Your participation makes our voice and association stronger!

IBMA member companies are encouraged to participate in IBMA National Group activities in the case that a national association exists in their country and will also be required to conform to the rules and statutes of that national group, including the payment of IBMA National Group membership fees.

It is expected that, as a member of IBMA, you adhere to the Charter of Principles and contribute to appropriate forums including the AGM, Annual Assembly, National Groups and Professional Groups.

To apply for membership, please send:

- The membership application form, filled and signed
- The Charter of Principles signed
- The Declaration of Honour, filled and signed

To: administration@ibma-global.org

The administrative process of your admission may last between 15 days (fast track) up to 6 weeks (normal process). After approval of your application by our Council, you will receive an invoice for your annual membership fees. Once this invoice is paid, your membership will become effective.

The membership fees are based on the agriculture turnover of your organisation. For more information, please refer to the Process for determination of applicable fees for IBMA Members attached.

Sincerely,

Soizick Menais Office Manager



# **Membership Application Form**

# Name of Company applying for membership:

Legal address of company:	
Address:	
City:	County/Region:
ZIP:	Country:
VAT Number:	Website:

## Trading address of company (if different):

#### Address:

	County/Region:
ZIP:	Country:

## Contacts:

Main contact: (This person will be contacted in ca matters)	ase of electronic votes or other decision on association
Name:	First Name:
Position:	
e-mail:	Phone number:
Invoices:	
Name:	First Name:
Position:	
e-mail:	Phone number:
Promotion and events (Membership Directory):	
Name:	First Name:
Position:	
e-mail:	Phone number:



Regulatory affairs:	Wishes to be informed	
Name:	First Name:	
Position:		
e-mail:	Phone number:	
Newsletter:	Wishes to receive	
Newsletter: Name:		
	First Name:	

#### **IBMA Professional Groups of interest:**

IBCA (Macrobials):	Wishes to participate	
Name:	First Name:	
Position:		
e-mail:	Phone number:	
Microbials:	Wishes to participate	
Name:	First Name:	
Position:		
e-mail:	Phone number:	
Semiochemicals:	Wishes to participate	
Semioenenneals	wishes to participate	
Name:		
	First Name:	
Name:	First Name:	
Name: Position: e-mail:	First Name:	
Name: Position: e-mail:	First Name: Phone number: Wishes to participate	
Name: Position: e-mail: Natural Substances:	First Name: Phone number: Wishes to participate First Name:	



### Annual Membership fees

IBMA membership fees are based on a member company's annual agriculture turnover. Please indicate your membership fee category according to your global agriculture turnover for the latest complete financial year:

Type of Membership	Annual Product Sales	Annual Membership Fee
"Active members"	<0.5 M€	1,130.00€
	0.5 – 1 M€	1,510.00€
	1 – 2 M€	2,260.00€
Manufacturing and distribution companies	2–5 M€	6,030.00 €
provided that they are conducting their	5 – 10 M€	9,030.00 €
own research and development for their own authorization of biologicals where it is	10–25 M€*	12,040.00 €
required, under legislation for the markets	25 – 50 M€*	17,300.00 €
in which the company operates.	50 – 100 M €*	22,570.00 €
	100 – 250 M€ *	30,090.00 €
	>250 M€*	38,000.00 €
"Associated members" Including manufacturing and distribution companies provided that they are not conducting their own research and development for their own authorisation of biologicals where it is required, under legislation for the markets in which the company operates	<1 M€	840.00 €
	1 – 2 M€	1,140.00€
	2 – 10 M€	2,970.00€
	> 10 M€	5,710.00€
"Non-profit organisations"	Flat fee	420.00 €

\* Daughter companies of members with annual turnover of at least 10 Million Euros wishing to participate in IBMA activities, may become global associated members without extra charge. For this, please complete one daughter application form for each daughter. Number of daughters \_\_\_\_\_ free of charge

Micro SMEs have a free-of-charge membership for the first year of their membership	
Tick the box if that applies to your organisation	

*Please indicate the name of the Signatory of the Declaration of Honour regarding fee determination:* 

Name:	First Name:
Position:	
e-mail:	Phone number:

#### **Terms of Payment**

Your invoice, with full bank details for payment by bank transfer will be sent to you by e-mail when your membership application and Charter of Principles are accepted by our Council.

Payment due 60 days from invoice date. By paying the IBMA membership fee the members confirm they adhere to the IBMA Charter of principles.



# **Description of Company**

Company activity (please include type of business activity, any mission statement, details of length of term trading)

Products or services produced/marketed/sold by the company:

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Product registrations held by the company and activities in the regulatory area:





Below, please provide a description (up to 250 words) on the reason for wishing to join the association, what your company can contribute to the association and what you are aiming at receiving from the association if your application for membership is successful.





By signing below, I hereby confirm that the company information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and I confirm that I have reviewed and agree to adhere to IBMA Charter of Principles and IBMA Statutes.

I confirm also that I am aware that IBMA members should join National Groups and also participate in National Group activities in the case that a national association exists in my country and countries in which my company are active in the market and that my company will also be required to conform to the rules and statutes of that national group including the payment of IBMA National Group membership fees.

Date	Company name
Function	Signature





# **IBMA CHARTER OF PRINCIPLES**

As an IBMA member, we hereby agree to respect and conduct our business in accordance with this Charter of Principles and Quality Standards:

- 1. To promote the concept of biological control methods in sustainable agriculture and in the treatment of amenity and non-cultivated areas, including biocidal uses in animal and human dwellings.
- 2. To provide safe and effective products.
- 3. To produce, pack and label products and materials in a safe and effective way.
- 4. To use processes and materials which are cost and energy effective.
- 5. To operate with respect for the laws and regulations, soft laws including guidance and advisory best practices (and any modifications, amendments and updates) of each country in which they conduct their business.
- 6. To operate with respect for the environment.
- 7. To operate with respect for public health and safety.
- 8. To provide the best possible advice and assistance to all parties associated with IBMA member company's products.
- 9. To openly communicate and encourage dialogue with general public.
- 10. To conduct affairs among IBMA members, competitors, customers, regulatory agencies and the general public in an ethical and respectful manner way.
- 11. To respect the right of other IBMA members to bring their products to market and develop and promote them for use in a sustainable manner in IPM systems without hindrance.
- 12. To adhere to the FAO Code of Conduct ISPM3 and International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management .
- 13. To respect the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization (ABS) to the Convention on Biological Diversity.

We are therefore entitled to benefit from this responsible engagement by using the IBMA logo on our labels and commercial documents.

Date	Name	Company name
Signature	Company Stamp	

Please return this document duly signed and stamped with your membership application form by e mail to administration@ibma-global.org.

INTERNATIONAL BIOCONTROL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION



**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION DOSSIER 2025** 

# **Antitrust Policy and Guidance at Meetings**

#### ANTITRUST ISSUES EXPLAINED

While some activities among competitors are both legal and beneficial to the industry, group activities of competitors are inherently suspect under the anti-trust laws. Agreements or combinations between or among competitors need not be formal to raise questions under anti-trust laws, but may include any kind of understanding, formal or informal, secretive or public, under which each of the participants can reasonably expect that another will follow a particular course of action.

Each of you is responsible to see that topics which may give an appearance of an agreement that would violate the anti-trust laws are not discussed at your meetings. It is the responsibility of each participant in the first instance to avoid raising improper subjects for discussion. This reminder has been prepared to assure that participants in meetings are aware of this obligation.

The DOs and DON'Ts presented below highlight only the most basic anti-trust principles. Each participant in a meeting should be thoroughly familiar with his/her responsibilities under the anti-trust laws and should consult counsel in all cases involving specific situations, interpretations or advice.

### DON'T

DO NOT, in fact or appearance, discuss or exchange information regarding:

- individual company prices, price changes, price differentials, mark-ups, discounts, allowances, credit terms, etc., or data that bear on price, e.g. costs, production, capacity, inventories, sales, etc.
- industry pricing policies, price levels, price changes, differentials, etc.
- changes in industry production, capacity or inventories.
- bids on contracts for particular products; procedures for responding to bid invitations.
- plans of individual companies concerning the design, production, distribution or marketing of particular products, including proposed territories or customers.
- matters relating to actual or potential individual customers or suppliers that might have the effect
  of excluding them from any market or of influencing the business conduct of firms toward such
  suppliers or customers.

DO NOT discuss or exchange information regarding the above matters during social gatherings incidental to meetings, even in jest.

#### DO

- Have an agenda and adhere to the prepared agenda for all meetings.
- Get minutes taken and object if they do not accurately reflect the discussion and actions taken.
- Protest against any discussions or meeting activities which appear to violate the anti-trust laws; disassociate yourself from any such discussions or activities and leave any meeting in which they continue.
- Refer to appropriate legislation such as EU legislation <u>http://ec.europa.eu/competition/publications/factsheets/antitrust\_procedures\_101\_en.pdf</u>