

# What is IFMA?

The International Facility Management Association was founded in 1980 to support the growing educational, informational and networking needs of facility management professionals. Today, IFMA represents 24,000 members in 105 countries and 134 regional chapters.

As the globally recognized resource for facility management, IFMA exists to guide and develop the FM practice worldwide. IFMA supports FM professionals by providing exceptional services, products, benefits and opportunities, including educational courses, credentialing, government relations, professional/leadership development, industry research and standards development.

IFMA resources serve to strengthen facility professionals' knowledge, skills and networks. IFMA connects the FM community globally, locally, online and in person through chapters, councils, communities of practice, social media, the FM Marketplace and events held year-round.

## What is facility management?

Facility management is a profession that encompasses multiple disciplines to ensure functionality of the built environment by integrating people, place, process and technology.

The profession's core competencies represent the areas of responsibility for which an FM oversees:

- Communication
- Emergency Preparedness and Business Continuity
- Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability
- Finance and Business
- Human Factors
- Leadership and Strategy
- Operations and Maintenance Project Management
- Quality
- Real Estate and Property Management
- Technology



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The world's largest and most widely recognized international association for facility management professionals.



IFMA:

# Learn. Connect. Advance.™

When you join the International Facility Management Association, you become a part of a global community of like-minded professionals. For more than three decades, IFMA has provided FMs with education, networking, support, and endless opportunities for professional and personal growth. IFMA's vast resources can help you:

## Expand Your Network

- Engage with FMs in your geographic region through local chapters
- Exchange best practices unique to your facility via industry-specific councils
- Gain a global perspective through the IFMA Alliance and Partners in FM Excellence

## Enhance Your Professional Development

- Benefit from the most informative, well-researched FM courses available
- Stay on top of the latest technologies, trends and research in the field
- Improve facility performance and contribute to the bottom line

## Advance Your Career

- Earn a globally recognized IFMA credential
- Increase your marketability and promote your value as an FM
- Gain a competitive advantage in the job market



## Membership Is Tailored *to Your Needs*

Each membership category offers opportunities to learn, connect and advance based on your unique interests and objectives.

### Professional Member\*

Strengthen your skill set. Ensure high-performing facilities and teams. Exchange best practices with peers who share your commitment to excellence and the continued advancement of FM.

### Young Professional Member

Under the age of 35? Young Professional membership is a valuable knowledge-, network- and career-builder for those just starting out. Elevate your professional profile.

### Student Member

Jump start your career. Begin building your resume early. Connect with experienced professionals, get involved in local student chapters, and add IFMA courses to your curriculum at reduced rates.

### Retired Member

Stay on top of advancements in the industry. Keep in touch with the IFMA community. Share your FM expertise, and continue contributing to the ever-growing knowledge base of the profession.


### Associate Member

Those who market, represent, distribute or provide facility-related products and services can connect with FM professionals, build brand awareness and benefit from educational resources.

### Corporate Sustaining Partnership

Companies that provide product and service solutions to FM professionals can strengthen their corporate profile among the world's largest FM audience and benefit from exclusive marketing opportunities.

\*Professional membership is ideal for those transitioning to an FM career. Tap into IFMA's extensive knowledge and resources to learn more about your new field. The Facility Management Professional (FMP) credential program will help you get up to speed on FM core competencies. IFMA membership also benefits those who support other aspects of the workplace, such as security, IT, sustainability, engineering, architecture, design, real estate, human resources, food services, etc.



## How Can You Benefit From IFMA Membership?

Whether you're interested in continuing education, local networking, industry news, knowledge sharing or other professional resources, IFMA can help you define your career path and meet your goals.

### Professional Networking

- Online or in person source of facility management dialogue and community support
- Connect with colleagues in your area of the world or area of FM
- Best practice sharing focused on your interests

### FM Education & Training

- Online or on-site professional development to achieve your career goals
- Earn CEUs and fulfill credential program requirements to distinguish yourself from your peers

### Professional Credentials

- Earn recognition as a CFM®, FMP® or SFP™
- Demonstrate your professional knowledge and commitment to current and prospective employers

### FM-specific Events & Conferences

- Focus on workplace topics and business trends
- Stay informed, stay connected and meet career objectives

### FM Resources & Publications

- Gain a deeper understanding of issues challenging FMs today through benchmarking, best practices and how-to guides
- Forecasting reports and survey results to help you address FM challenges now and in the future
- Award-winning FMJ Magazine, covering the latest in FM
- **New!** Knowledge Library: industry-leading FM content in a single location

### Career Assistance

- An online FM job board plus career resources
- Free resume listing for job seekers plus advanced screening of all job postings

### Member Discounts

- Members-only pricing on courses, credential programs and events
- Special product and service offers exclusive to IFMA members

### Representation & Support

- Benefit from research and tips on sustainable FM
- Benefit from IFMA's government issue-monitoring and advocacy

## Local, Industry-specific & Global Networking

### IFMA Chapters

As a member of one of 133 chapters worldwide, you can focus on issues that impact your region, and build long-lasting friendships with area peers.

- Network locally with colleagues and business partners
- Attend educational and social events, including career growth programs, facility tours and workshops
- Take advantage of employment referral services
- CFM, FMP and SFP study groups
- Chapter websites keep you informed of FM news and activities in your area
- Mentor FM students
- Give back to your community through chapter-organized projects and fundraisers
- Serve in chapter leadership positions

### IFMA Councils

Councils unite facility management professionals from around the world who share an interest in a particular FM practice or support similar business sectors.

- Share work experiences and exchange best practices
- Participate in online discussion groups to solve job-related problems
- Keep current on the latest practices, trends and technologies
- Enhance your knowledge and skills with webinars, case studies and more

### IFMA Global Network

IFMA has developed valuable, mutually beneficial partnerships with facility-related member associations and organizations around the world.

- IFMA Alliance: Close ties between IFMA and other esteemed professional groups
- Partners in FM Excellence: Promotes the establishment of global standards and best practices among facility-related organizations
- Memorandums of Understanding: Facilitates information exchange, sharing educational initiatives and advancing the FM profession

Learn more at  
[www.ifma.org/community](http://www.ifma.org/community)

# Join IFMA Today

IFMA's membership application process is quick and easy.

Join online at

**[www.ifma.org/membership](http://www.ifma.org/membership)**

Membership dues and fees are for one full-year of membership (12 months from join date).

**Professional & Associate Membership**  
**US\$209** (in most countries)

**Young Professional Membership**  
**US\$129**

**Student Membership**  
**US\$10**

**Retired Membership**  
**US\$100**

Your option to renew each year is indefinite. Membership is renewed on the anniversary of the date your application was approved. We ask that membership applicants support the purpose, vision, mission, goals, core values and Code of Ethics of the association. Membership is individually based, and is non-transferable and non-refundable.

## Chapter Membership

First-year IFMA members are required to join a chapter if there is one in their area. Dues vary and are determined by each chapter. Find your local chapter at <http://ifma.org/membership/dues-structure>.

## Additional Engagement Opportunities

### Council Membership:

**US\$55** (US\$10 for Retired)

Choose your industry-specific learning group.

### Community of Practice:

**US\$25**

Choose your industry-specific networking community.

### Mail Delivery of FMJ magazine:

**US\$42**

(The online version is available to all members as well.)

"IFMA leadership opportunities gave me confidence that translated to my job. My bosses at the time took notice of my growing recognition in the business community and knowledge in my field. Skills gained through IFMA got me promoted!"

– Christine Neldon, CFM, IFMA Fellow,  
IFMA Member



## Join today at

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## Questions?

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## Group Membership

If your company/organization has 10 or more employees who support your workplace, consider the benefits of a group membership plan. Ensure that your team has access to informative, skill-building resources essential to maintaining sustainable, productive, successful facilities.

In addition to a discounted rate for base membership, IFMA's group membership plan offers the convenience of a single annual billing statement.