



## WHY BECOME A MEMBER OF IFMS

The International Forum of Meteorological Societies (IFMS) is an organization to foster and encourage communication and exchange of knowledge, ideas and resources among the world's more than sixty meteorological societies.

The IFMS is quite distinct from the World Meteorological Organization (WMO). Whereas the WMO is an agency of the United Nations that deals with cooperation between Meteorological Services of various nations, the IFMS creates cooperation between Meteorological Societies of the World.



***By becoming a member of IFMS, you will enjoy all the benefits listed below. Being a part of the family, which has other National Meteorological Societies as members, we all achieve power and strength which we can not expect to have on our own. IFMS has the capacity to deal with and cooperate with the WMO and the World Bank.***

The IFMS is organized exclusively for scientific and educational capacity building through cooperation between National Meteorological Societies with coordination by IFMS. In order to achieve this Value Proposition, it is important to strengthen all member societies and create new societies in countries where no such society exists.

In order to foster, promote and encourage cooperation, communication, collaboration, and exchange of knowledge, ideas and resources among the meteorological societies of the world, we perform the following activities/tasks:

1. In cooperation with WMO and WB, assist in developing and promoting capacity building efforts that produce effective and sustainable service capabilities in developing countries.
2. Identify and develop best practices to be shared by all Member Societies.
3. Assist developing meteorological societies to strengthen themselves through collaboration and mentoring.
4. With the help of IFMS, implement Training Programs and Webinars.
5. Facilitate the sharing of relevant accreditation information, procedures, guidelines and standards
6. Develop international bridges to encourage collaboration among public, private and academic sectors as well as users.
7. Encourage Private Sector companies to facilitate international outreach, especially to build infrastructure in developing countries.
8. Keep our members informed about developments in the Global Weather Enterprise.

Over the years of the development of IFMS, many additional useful and important activities will be added, e.g. IFMS plans to assist WMO and Regional Meteorological Societies in organizing World Weather Open Sciences Conference every 2 to 3 years.