Membership

IFC full institutional members are central banks or international and regional organisations formally involved in central banking issues.
As of January 2021 the 92 members comprise the central banks and monetary authorities or agencies of the following countries and regions:

- Albania
- Algeria
- Angola
- Argentina
- Armenia
- Australia
- Austria
- Azerbaijan
- Barbados
- Belarus
- Belgium
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Brazil
- Bulgaria
- Cambodia
- Canada
- Chile
- China
- Colombia
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- El Salvador
- Estonia
- European Union
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hong Kong SAR
- Hungary
- Iceland
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Ireland
- Israel
- Italy
- Japan
- Kazakhstan
- Korea
- Latvia
- Lebanon
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Macao SAR
- Malaysia
- Malta
- Mauritius
- Mexico
- Montenegro
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Netherlands
- New Zealand
- Nigeria
- North Macedonia
- Norway
- Pakistan
- Peru
- Philippines
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Russia
- São Tomé and Príncipe
- Saudi Arabia
- Serbia
- Singapore
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- South Africa
- Spain
- Sri Lanka
- Suriname
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Thailand
- Timor-Leste
- Tunisia
- Turkey
- Ukraine
- United Arab Emirates
- United Kingdom
- United States
- Uruguay
- Venezuela
- Vietnam
- CEMLA - Centre for Latin American Monetary Studies
- SEACEN - South East Asian Central Banks Research and Training Centre
- SECMCA - Central American Monetary Council

Membership benefits

1. Leveraging on the IFC as a forum for exchanging views on statistical issues of interest to central banks, esp. relating to economic, monetary and financial stability;
2. Contributing to IFC publications;
3. Participating in IFC meetings and/or co-organising events with the IFC.

Application for membership can be made via the IFC Secretariat.

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About the IFC
The Irving Fisher Committee on Central Bank Statistics (IFC) is a forum of central bank economists and statisticians as well as others with an interest in discussing statistical issues of relevance to central banks, including those relating to economic, monetary and financial stability.

The IFC is established and governed by the international central banking community and operates under the auspices of the Bank for International Settlements (BIS). It is associated with the International Statistical Institute (ISI).

The Committee’s main aim is to promote the exchange of views between central bank economists, statisticians and policymakers. In particular, it strives to strengthen the relationship between compilers of statistics and the community of users and analysts of statistical information, both within and outside central banks.

Governance
The IFC comprises the designated representatives of the full institutional members. It elects an Executive that manages the affairs of the IFC in accordance with the Statutes, decisions and guidelines of the Committee.

The current members of the Executive are:
- Chair: Rashad CASSIM, South African Reserve Bank
- Carol BERTAUT, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System
- Robert KIRCHNER, Deutsche Bundesbank
- Seongho LEE, Bank of Korea
- Ko NAKAYAMA, Bank of Japan
- Olorunsola Emmanuel OLOWOFESO, Bank of Nigeria
- Li Ming ONG, Central Bank of Malaysia
- Gloria PENA, Central Bank of Chile
- Fernando Alberto ROCHA, Central Bank of Brazil
- Eyal ROZEN, Bank of Israel
- Silke STAPEL-WEBER, European Central Bank
- Bruno TISSOT, Head of Statistics and Research Support, BIS, heads the IFC Secretariat.

Activities
- Active networking between the users and compilers of statistics at its member institutions through the regular exchange of information and discussion of best practice.
- Sponsoring or co-sponsoring meetings in the context of the biennial ISI World Statistics Congresses.
- Organising conferences, seminars, workshops and related activities independently or in collaboration with other organisations.
- Setting up working groups or task forces to analyse particular topics.
- Sponsoring or supporting the publication of periodicals, papers, reports or newsletters in any form.
- Conducting regular and ad hoc surveys of the IFC membership on statistical issues of interest to central banks.
- Maintaining a public and a restricted website for dissemination of information related to the IFC and central banks’ statistical activities.

Publications
1. IFC Bulletins
   The proceedings of the various meetings organised by the IFC on topical statistical issues of interest to the international central banking community are published in the IFC Bulletin.

2. IFC Working Papers
   The IFC Working Papers contain analysis by experts of IFC institutional members as well as by analysts outside the central banking community.

3. IFC Reports
   Ad-hoc reports presented to BIS Governors on issues of specific interest.

4. Annual Reports
   Yearly Annual Reports presenting IFC activities submitted to the BIS All Governors.

Upcoming events
Please find more details on the upcoming events on the IFC website www.bis.org/ifc.

Recent activities
Conference on External statistics
go-organised with Bank of Portugal & the ECB, Lisbon, Portugal, 17-18 February 2020

IFC High Level Meeting on Data Governance
co-organised with the ISI - International Statistical Institute, Tunis, Tunisia, 22 November 2019

62nd ISI World Statistics Congress, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, August 2019
The IFC sponsored several sessions and organised two IFC Satellite Seminars on “Post-crisis data landscape: micro data for the macro world” and “Statistics on Fintech - bringing together demand and supply to measure its impact” together with the Central Bank of Malaysia and the European Central Bank.

Ninth biennial IFC Conference
on “Are post-crisis statistical initiatives completed?” BIS Basel, 30-31 August 2018. Presentation of the IFC award for the best paper by a young statistician.

IFC Working Group on Fintech data issues
To analyse the statistical issues raised by the development of digital financial innovation through central bank cooperation.