

## Membership

IFC full institutional members are central banks or international and regional organisations formally involved in central banking issues. As of January 2016 the 83 IFC members were the central banks and monetary authorities or agencies of the following countries and regions:

- Algeria
- Angola
- Argentina
- Armenia
- Australia
- Austria
- Azerbaijan
- Barbados
- Belarus
- Belgium
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Brazil
- Bulgaria
- Canada
- Chile
- China
- Colombia
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- 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
- Macedonia FYR
- Malaysia
- Malta
- Mauritius
- Mexico
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Netherlands
- New Zealand
- Nigeria
- Norway
- Pakistan
- Peru
- Philippines
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Russia
- Saudi Arabia
- Serbia
- Singapore
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- South Africa
- Spain
- Suriname
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Thailand
- Tunisia
- Turkey
- Ukraine
- 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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# Introducing the Irving Fisher Committee on Central Bank Statistics (IFC)

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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 BIS All Governors' Meeting is responsible for overseeing the work of the IFC.

The current members of the Executive are:

- Chair: Turalay **KENÇ**, Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey
- Vice Chair: Katherine **HENNINGS**, Central Bank of Brazil
- Vice Chair: Aurel **SCHUBERT**, European Central Bank
- João **CADETE DE MATOS**, Bank of Portugal
- Eugeniusz **GATNAR**, National Bank of Poland
- Masahiro **HIGO**, Bank of Japan
- Robert **KIRCHNER**, Deutsche Bundesbank
- Olorunsola Emmanuel **OLOWOFESO**, Central Bank of Nigeria
- Seung **Hwan PARK**, Bank of Korea
- Charles **THOMAS**, Federal Reserve Board of Governors
- Mr Hock Chai **TOH**, Central Bank of Malaysia

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's 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 the IFC's 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 are submitted to the BIS Governors.

## Recent events



IFC Workshop on "Combining micro and macro statistical data for financial stability analysis"

co-organised with the Central Bank of Poland in Warsaw on 14-15 December 2015



### 7th biennial IFC Conference

on "Indicators to support monetary and financial stability analysis: data sources and statistical methodologies" at the BIS Basel on 4 and 5 September 2014.

Presentation of the IFC award for the best paper by a young statistician.



### Workshops on Developing and Improving Sectoral Financial Accounts

- 20-21 January 2016 at Central Bank of Algeria
- 25-26 September 2014 at Central Bank of Brazil in Rio de Janeiro (in cooperation with CEMLA)
- 16-18 June 2014 at Central Bank of Malaysia in Kuala Lumpur (in cooperation with SEACEN)
- 29-30 May 2014 at Central Bank of Turkey in Istanbul



### IFC Satellite Seminar at the 60<sup>th</sup> ISI World Statistics Congress

on "Assessing international capital flows after the crisis" in cooperation with the Central Bank of Brazil and the Centre for Latin American Monetary Studies (CEMLA), in Rio de Janeiro on 24 July 2015.

## Upcoming events

Please find more details on the upcoming events on the IFC website [www.bis.org/ifc](http://www.bis.org/ifc).