

Company Associates  
Program

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Helping your company  
deliver a sustainable future



Within IUPAC, the Committee on Chemistry and Industry (COCI) is the focus for issues of importance to the global chemical industry.

Nearly 100 companies around the world—leaders in the chemical industry—have joined IUPAC as **Company Associates** and work through COCI to influence the IUPAC agenda.

Working within IUPAC, Company Associates support the following:

- bringing sound scientific judgment to decision-making in government agencies and NGOs
- creating a platform for ensuring the public acceptance of chemistry
- contributing to capacity-building and sustainable development by providing training in critical areas, such as safety and toxicology
- helping to ensure a continuing supply of well-trained, internationally mobile chemists.

Company Associates benefit from IUPAC's internationally recognized activities, including critical evaluation and validation of physico-chemical data and methods, as well as an internationally agreed-upon nomenclature in every field of chemistry. Monographs and critical reviews in *Pure and Applied Chemistry* report essential data, focusing on such timely issues as environmental estrogens, chlorine, and petrochemicals.



## What are the benefits of becoming an IUPAC Company Associate?

### Promote Professional Development

Company Associates can take advantage of opportunities within IUPAC for professional development of their scientific and technical staff. Associates are encouraged to nominate their employees to participate in IUPAC projects and activities of industrial interest.

### Contribute to the Public Debate on Chemicals

IUPAC upholds the highest standards of chemistry and provides global scientific objectivity on critical scientific, governmental, and policy issues. Because of its independence, IUPAC has influence with global institutions such as WHO, UNEP, and UNESCO. These organizations set the policy context in which the industry functions in areas such as the environment, health, and global systems for the management of chemicals.

### Improve Public Appreciation of Chemistry

COCI collaborates on projects in which public perception of chemistry intersects with the interests of industry, such as publicizing the benefits of chemistry to society, attracting students and trainees to the chemical disciplines, and identifying and communicating global best practices.

### Influence Project Funding

Company Associates help determine priorities for IUPAC funding for projects of interest to industry. For example, the IUPAC/SCOPE report on the environmental implications of endocrine-disrupting chemicals brought scientific objectivity to the subject of product safety, an area of great concern to consumers worldwide.



## Committee on Chemistry and Industry (COCI) Projects

### IUPAC-UNESCO Safety Training Program

This unique partnership provides opportunities for practitioners from developing countries to gain hands-on experience from IUPAC Company Associates throughout the industrialized world. The safety training program covers all aspects of chemical health, safety, and environmental issues. Program Fellows use this training to upgrade practices and regulations, educate the public, and guide governmental policy in their own countries. Fellows from Egypt, Turkey, Nigeria, Kenya, China, and Uruguay have received training at IUPAC Company Associates in the USA (BP Amoco Chemicals, Bristol-Myers Squibb), South Africa (Sasol), Japan (Sankyo, Mitsui), and Sweden (AstraZeneca).

### Workshops in Safety and Chemical Production

COCI sponsors regionally focused workshops where global experts on health and safety in chemical manufacturing share best practices with regional leaders. Regional workshops have been held in Switzerland, Japan, USA, Senegal, and China and are planned for Turkey and Kenya.

### Public Perception of Chemistry

Creating enthusiasm for new chemical technologies is key to achieving the objectives of sustainable development: underpinning economic growth, promoting health and societal development, and reducing industry's environmental impact. COCI communicates research in an authoritative but readily comprehensible and meaningful way, while promoting dialogue and influence with relevant global institutions. COCI strives to improve public perception through education and training.



## What is IUPAC?

**The International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry** (IUPAC) is a worldwide scientific organization that addresses global issues in the chemical sciences with complete objectivity. IUPAC's expert scientists span all the disciplines of chemistry.

As a highly respected independent organization, IUPAC strives to

- provide trusted, independent scientific views on chemical issues
- foster worldwide communications, uniting academic, industry, and public sector science
- create a platform for influencing decisions, based upon its expertise and reputation
- drive standardization in chemistry, including atomic weights, analytical methods, and other critically evaluated data.

IUPAC creates unique professional development opportunities for its members, through more than 30 internationally recognized conferences each year and peer-reviewed scientific journals and monographs.



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and help to  
ensure that the  
chemical sciences  
continue to  
make significant  
contributions to  
the modern world.

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## IUPAC Divisions

Physical and Biophysical Chemistry  
Inorganic Chemistry  
Organic and Biomolecular Chemistry  
Polymer  
Analytical Chemistry  
Chemistry and the Environment  
Chemistry and Human Health  
Chemical Nomenclature and Structure Representation

## Operational Standing Committees

COCI – Committee on Chemistry and Industry  
CHEMRAWN – Chemical Research Applied to World Needs  
CCE – Committee on Chemistry Education

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