

ISIPT CHAPTER AFFILIATION AGREEMENT

The International Society of Interpersonal Psychotherapy (ISIPT), as a truly international organization, seeks to include IPT psychotherapists around the world. Clinicians and researchers interested in and involved with IPT have the option to belong to local IPT chapters as well as to the international umbrella organization, the ISIPT. Either or both may prove attractive options for particular individuals. This document describes an option for geographic and language-based local IPT Chapters who wish to formally affiliate with the global ISIPT.

Note: This mechanism is intended for groups pursuing a comprehensive IPT-related mission (education, training, advocacy, mentorship) and linked by geographic or linguistic commonalities, rather than entities whose sole mission is profit-based IPT training such as IPT training academies or schools.

1. Any regional or language IPT group with the following characteristics may apply for Chapter affiliation with ISIPT:
 - a. A group with a pre-existing organizational structure, such as incorporation as a non-profit entity, organized network with elected officials, or structured group with bylaws and mission statement;
 - b. A minimum of 10 members in the group;
 - c. At least 5 individuals within the group who are full, dues-paying members of ISIPT;
 - d. Organizational mission/goals that align with those of ISIPT;
 - e. Not primarily a for-profit organization (see caveat above).
2. Applications for affiliation as a “Chapter” will be submitted for approval to the ISIPT Executive Council.
 - a. Chapter applicants will complete a formal written application in English (see separate application document) and sign this ISIPT Chapter Affiliation Agreement, which sets forth the requirements for and benefits of affiliation.
 - b. A non-refundable, one-time application fee of US\$100 will accompany the application.
 - c. After reviewing the submitted application, the Executive Committee may request additional materials from the submitting chapter for consideration.
 - d. Chapters will pay an annual fee of US\$500 to maintain affiliation, payable on January 1 each year.
 - i. Annual fee may change at ISIPT discretion.
 - ii. Failure to pay the annual fee will result in termination of ISIPT Chapter affiliation (see Item 4).
 - e. Chapters organized in LMIC countries (defined by the World Bank) are eligible to apply for affiliation with reduced fees:
 - i. Application fee is waived
 - ii. Annual fee is reduced to \$250 annually

- iii. For countries for which annual fees would pose an extreme hardship, Chapters may propose a waiver for annual fees to the ISIPT which, under extraordinary circumstances, may be approved by Executive Committee majority vote.
 - f. One person within the Chapter will be designated as ISIPT Chapter Liaison. This individual must be a dues-paying ISIPT member and will be responsible for all correspondence with ISIPT.
 - g. Chapters will provide an annual update of their activities to the ISIPT Executive Council (January 1)
- 3. Benefits of Chapter Affiliation include:
 - a. Listing of the Chapter's name, website, officers, and brief description of the Chapter on ISIPT website, in a separate Chapters section;
 - b. Opportunity to list/advertise Chapter events and trainings on the ISIPT website;
 - c. Right to use ISIPT logo on Chapter materials and website;
 - d. Registration of Chapter members at reduced (ISIPT Members') rates for all ISIPT trainings and conferences;
 - e. Option for affiliate Chapter members to apply for full ISIPT membership (with full benefits);
 - f. If Chapter includes ISIPT certified trainers/supervisors, those individuals may certify therapists through the Chapter, according to ISIPT guidelines.
- 4. Chapters may terminate their affiliation with ISIPT at any time with written notification to the Executive Committee. Chapter affiliation fees for the remainder of the year will be forfeit.
- 5. ISIPT may terminate its affiliation with Chapters under the circumstances listed below, at the discretion of ISIPT's Executive Committee (majority vote). Chapters at risk for termination will receive written warning of impending termination one month prior to loss of affiliation, followed by formal notice of termination.
 - a. Failure to pay the Chapter's annual fee on January 1
 - b. Chapter affiliate conduct that violates ISIPT ethical codes or this agreement (i.e., alleging to offer ISIPT trainer certification, engagement in human rights violations). Note that Chapter affiliation fees for the remainder of the year will be forfeit.
- 6. Benefits to affiliate Chapter do not include:
 - a. Right to certify individuals as ISIPT trainers/supervisors
- 7. Benefits to members* of affiliated Chapters do not include:
 - a. Right to vote in ISIPT elections;
 - b. Access to the ISIPT listserv;
 - c. Access to the Members Only section of the ISIPT website

*Members of affiliated Chapters who are also full members of ISIPT have all rights of ISIPT members

To request formal affiliation with ISIPT, a representative (“ISIPT Chapter Liaison”) of the proposed ISIPT Affiliated Chapter must sign below to indicate agreement on behalf of all Chapter members with all terms listed above, submit a completed ISIPT Chapter Affiliation Application, and remit a one-time US\$100 application fee to the Secretary of ISIPT.

NAME (printed)

NAME (signed)

Date

Name and location of ISIPT Affiliated Chapter