MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS & PRIVILEGES
Dear Colleague,

The benefits of joining ISAPS may seem obvious – an extensive international network of colleagues combined with extensive aesthetic education programs. However, these benefits extend well beyond what you may first imagine.

Membership in ISAPS is an excellent way to keep your own professional skills on the cutting edge of advancements in global aesthetics. We have over 3,200 members in 105 countries, and offer our members more than 30 annual courses and symposia around the world. Our educators are among the world’s finest plastic surgeons, sharing best practices in their areas of expertise. What you may not realize is that, while your professional membership in ISAPS is important to the advancement of your practice, it’s even more important to your patients, even if they have never heard of ISAPS.

**WHY WOULD YOU JOIN?**

- ISAPS is the trusted global resource for all things aesthetic.
- ISAPS is quoted by such high profile international media as The New York Times, The Times of London, The BBC, Forbes Magazine and many others.
- ISAPS’ threefold mission is to offer aesthetic education worldwide, to provide accurate information to the public, and to promote patient safety.
- ISAPS’ website receives over 45,000+ visits each month from prospective patients looking for a qualified surgeon. Our marketing outreach efforts regularly reach global audiences in the billions.

**Becoming an ISAPS member puts your practice on the world map, increasing its visibility to prospective patients and demonstrating your ongoing commitment to excellence in aesthetics and patient safety.** Not all plastic surgeons are accepted into ISAPS, so we hope your membership with us will be a source of pride for you and that we will be instrumental in helping you build your practice. To apply for membership, visit our website at www.ISAPS.org.

I hope you will join us and I look forward to meeting you at one of our many symposia, courses or the next ISAPS Congress, in South Beach Miami on October 31 to November 4, 2018.

Renato Saltz, MD, FACS
ISAPS President
**ISAPS at a Glance**

- **Year ISAPS Founded:** 1970
- **ISAPS Members from:** 105 Countries
- **300+** Average number of new members admitted per year
- **3,200+** Number of global members
- **1,800** Physicians attending Congress
- **3,750** Physicians attending ISAPS courses each year
- **23** Biennial global congresses held to date
- **95** National Secretaries (agents in member countries)
- **28** National Societies of Plastic Surgeons that have joined the ISAPS Global Alliance
- **3,750** Physicians attending ISAPS courses each year
- **35,000+** Size of ISAPS physician email database
- **45,000+** Average website visitors per month
- **4,500+** Average number of attendees at courses
- **60** Average number of pages in each ISAPS newsletter
- **35,000+** Digital copy issues of ISAPS News distributed
- **10,000+** Number of pages of ISAPS website
- **4** ISAPS News issues printed and mailed to members each year
- **12** E-magazine issues sent to members and non-members each year
- **120** Annual ISAPS courses, symposia and endorsed programs
- **5** Social media platforms used to connect and engage with ISAPS members and global patients
- **6** Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (The Blue Journal) issues printed per year
WHY APPLY FOR ISAPS MEMBERSHIP?

IVAR VAN HEIJNINGEN, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

As the chair of the Membership Committee, I invite you to join us. You will enjoy meeting numerous colleagues from all over the world at all our events. ISAPS surgeons share the same values of ethical behavior, strive for excellence and search for knowledge to provide their patients with the best and safest treatments possible. If we haven’t convinced you yet, let us give you:

TWELVE GOOD REASONS TO JOIN ISAPS TODAY:

1. ISAPS BLUE JOURNAL SUBSCRIPTION
You will receive an annual subscription to the Society’s official indexed journal, *Aesthetic Plastic Surgery* (also known as the Blue Journal). Published six times a year, you will be able to access *Aesthetic Plastic Surgery* using the members-only app that will also enable you to access back issues using your smart phone, desktop or tablet.

2. MOST EXTENSIVE GLOBAL AESTHETIC EDUCATION
ISAPS offers the most extensive and comprehensive global aesthetic education program – over 30 symposia and courses are held each year. You will be able to attend at significantly reduced member-only rates and have the opportunity to participate as a member of our esteemed faculty.

3. MEMBER ONLY SAVINGS
Attendance at the ISAPS Congress – the largest global aesthetics conference of its kind held every two years, for five days, offering an exceptional scientific meeting combined with cadaver dissections including comprehensive practice management classes for ISAPS Business School and ISAPS Skin. You will be able to attend at a substantially reduced member-only rate. The next ISAPS Congress will be held in South Beach Miami from October 31st to November 4th, 2018.

4. ISAPS INSURANCE FOR PATIENT PEACE OF MIND
ISAPS Insurance: Through ISAPS’ partnership with Sure Insurance, underwritten by Lloyds of London, approved member surgeons may offer their patients up to two years of additional insurance coverage for any possible corrective or remedial treatments that may be required. ISAPS is the only organization to offer this groundbreaking and highly innovative insurance product to its members. Being able to offer ISAPS Insurance to your patients is a powerful marketing tool for your practice, giving patients extra peace of mind that no non-ISAPS aesthetic physician can offer them.

5. ISAPS NEWS - PRINT SUBSCRIPTION
An annual subscription to the official ISAPS newsletter, *ISAPS News*, published four times a year. Available to members in print and digital versions, *ISAPS News* contains informative and non-scientific articles focused on helping you build your practice, along with information about member activities.

6. GLOBAL VISIBILITY FOR YOUR PRACTICE
Greater global visibility for you and your practice by being listed on ISAPS.org. The ISAPS website receives on average over 45,000 visits per month from prospective patients and global media alike who are looking for qualified surgeons. By becoming an ISAPS member, you and your practice will be listed on the ISAPS website providing greater exposure for you and making your practice easier to find.
7. Global Aesthetics Survey
Participation in the ISAPS Global Aesthetics Survey. The media, industry and the public eagerly await the results of ISAPS’ Annual Global Aesthetics Survey that reports the numbers and types of aesthetic procedures performed around the world. By participating in this survey, you will help us to raise the visibility of ISAPS and our members to international media and prospective patients around the world.

8. Member-Only Plaques
As a member, you can purchase elegant member plaques to display proudly in your office, waiting room, or treatment rooms to show your patients that you belong to the most discerning group of qualified aesthetic plastic surgeons in the world.

9. Instant Access to a Global Network
Networking opportunities and friendship are two of the most common advantages of joining ISAPS cited by our members. Whether you are new to this specialty or a highly experienced aesthetic plastic surgeon, getting instant access to a global network of some of the world’s most experienced and accomplished plastic surgeons is a significant advantage that no other aesthetic society can offer you.

10. Local Representation
ISAPS has a network of National Secretaries in nearly every member country who serve as our primary contacts and ambassadors. They are your advocate in any situation that requires Board attention and are often responsible for producing ISAPS education programs in their country.

11. Patient Safety First
We support your efforts to ensure patient safety through our collaboration with the American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities International. Trained plastic surgeon colleagues will help you achieve surgical facility accreditation so that your patients have their surgery in an accredited and safe surgical environment.

12. Defender of the Specialty
ISAPS defends our specialty by educating patients and the media, promoting standardization and providing legal support through our comprehensive marketing, public relations and outreach initiatives.
The International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (ISAPS) was founded in 1970 at the Headquarters of the United Nations in New York City and now includes over 3,200 members from 105 countries. The Society’s purpose is to promote scientific and social interchange among aesthetic plastic surgeons worldwide, respecting the unique insights and contributions that each culture brings to the field. Our global focus on patient safety influences educational content and expanding member benefits. The Society holds a major international scientific congress every two years in addition to the more than 30 courses held each year around the world. Meeting dates are continuously updated on the ISAPS website Calendar of Events at www.ISAPS.org.

ISAPS Education Council

The mission of the Education Council (EC) is to provide aesthetic education worldwide. The EC’s role within the ISAPS organization includes full responsibility for all ISAPS Courses, approval of Endorsed Programs, and coordination of ISAPS Symposia. The EC works closely with ISAPS members, the National Secretaries and National Societies to ensure their involvement and full support of these educational activities.

There are three programs that offer you and your National Society assistance:

1. ISAPS Symposia

These are free one-day educational events organized by ISAPS members and/or National Secretaries and are usually scheduled the day before a National Society meeting. ISAPS members are encouraged to contact the EC Chair to request an ISAPS Symposium and for assistance with faculty selection.

ISAPS faculty travel and hotel expenses are the responsibility of the hosting organization. ISAPS faculty are usually the guests of the hosting society and attend the National Society meeting following the Symposium.

2. ISAPS Endorsed Programs

These educational activities are sponsored and produced by ISAPS members, National Secretaries and National Societies. A completed application for endorsement is promptly reviewed and once approved, provides proposed educational programs with the ISAPS logo, official endorsement statement, access to the ISAPS mailing list, and worldwide marketing through our newsletter, journal and mass e-mails to our extensive list. There is a fee payable to ISAPS with the application for this program. The application form can be downloaded from the website or requested from the Executive Office.

3. ISAPS Instructional Courses

ISAPS Courses are fully organized by the society. The EC is responsible for content, faculty selection and overall coordination of the course. An ISAPS member, a National Secretary or a National Society affiliated with ISAPS can request a course to be held in their country. Once approved by the EC Chair, the EC schedules an official Instructional Course on the ISAPS Calendar to avoid conflicts with other meetings. Local hosts are asked to assist with logistical arrangements for the course.

Updated information about ISAPS courses can be found on the website, in ISAPS News, and in our journal, Aesthetic Plastic Surgery.

Optional donations to the Education Council to support ISAPS educational efforts in under-served countries can be made with annual dues payments on our website, www.ISAPS.org.
ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Active Members have all the rights and privileges of the Society, including the right to attend all membership meetings, to vote, hold office, and serve on committees of the Society. Active Members receive an annual journal subscription and are permitted to use the ISAPS logo on any printed materials or on their website as long as they remain members in good standing.

Basic Requirements: Applicants must be current Active Members in good standing in an ISAPS recognized National Society of Plastic Surgery, preferably in a society in the country in which they practice, and board certified in plastic surgery.

PRACTICE REQUIREMENTS

An applicant, after completing formal training, must have been in the active practice of plastic surgery for at least three years to be eligible for Active Membership in ISAPS.

APPLICATION FEES FOR ACTIVE MEMBERS

(prices subject to change)

Application fee (non-refundable): US $100
Annual dues: US $450
Total due with application: US $550

The completed application must be accompanied by the first year’s dues and the application fee. The dues will be refunded if the applicant is not accepted as a member.

Annual Dues: Dues are US $450 and are payable in full by March 31 of each calendar year. If the dues are not paid by March 31, an additional late fee of US $100 is assessed.

Apply for ISAPS membership at www.ISAPS.org and follow the instructions. Please note that notice of admission, addition to the ISAPS membership section on the website, and preparation of a certificate of membership are initiated when all requirements are met.
ASSOCIATE AND RESIDENT/FELLOW MEMBERSHIPS

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

A subscription to the ISAPS Journal, Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, is a benefit of membership for Associate Members. Associate Members automatically become Active Members three years after completion of all training and with Executive Office verification of active membership in an ISAPS recognized national society. Associate Members may not vote or sponsor applicants for membership.

**Basic Requirements:** Associate Members shall have completed all training, but will have been in practice less than three years.

- Application fee (non-refundable): US $75
- Annual dues: US $250
- Total due with application: US $325

**Annual Dues:** Annual dues are payable in full by March 31 of each calendar year. If the dues are not paid by March 31, an additional late fee of US $75 is assessed.

RESIDENT/FELLOW MEMBERS

A subscription to the ISAPS Journal, Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, is a benefit of membership for Resident/Fellow Members. Resident/Fellow Members automatically become Associate Members after verifying completion of all training. Resident/Fellow Members may not vote or sponsor applicants for membership.

**Basic Requirements:** Applicants for Resident/Fellow membership must provide verification of current Resident or Fellow status in an official plastic surgery training program in their country.

- Application fee (non-refundable): US $50
- Annual dues: US $175
- Total due with application: US $225

**Annual Dues:** Annual dues are payable in full by March 31 of each calendar year. If the dues are not paid by March 31, an additional late fee of US $50 is assessed.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

New members are admitted monthly as soon as all application requirements are met. Applicants for Associate & Resident/Fellow Membership are approved by the National Secretary in the applicant’s country and must be sponsored by one current Active or Life Member. The completed online application is forwarded automatically to the ISAPS Executive Office.
To apply for membership in ISAPS, the following documents must be submitted and the applicant must be approved by the National Secretary in their country. The list of National Secretaries is on our website, www.ISAPS.org, under Medical Professionals, ISAPS Leadership & Staff, National Secretaries (in the menu on the left). For applicants from countries with no National Secretary, the Chair of the Membership Committee and the Chair of National Secretaries will review the application.

Applicants who have completed all requirements and who have been approved are admitted at the end of every month.

We use an online application form at:
http://members.isaps.org/applications-for-membership.html

Questions: Membership@ISAPS.org

**YOU WILL NEED TO ENTER AND UPLOAD:**

1. Your full name, address, contact information and email as it will appear on our website

2. A certificate or letter in English from your society confirming current active membership in the national plastic surgery society in the country where you practice

3. A certificate or letter in English confirming your board certification in plastic surgery, or the equivalent status in your country

4. A copy of your curriculum vitae (CV) confirming your plastic surgery training and current practice status

5. At least two and as many as four sponsors who are Active or Life members of ISAPS

6. Your photo to be included in your ISAPS website profile (optional but recommended)

7. FOR RESIDENT/FELLOW APPLICANTS – a document verifying your current enrollment in a plastic surgery training program

8. Payment of the application fee that includes your first year’s dues
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For membership application assistance or any questions about ISAPS membership in general, please contact:

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“I think every plastic surgeon that is interested in aesthetic plastic surgery should join ISAPS. There are two main reasons: If you’re young, then there are a lot of things you want to learn and I think everything there is to know about aesthetic procedures can be learned at ISAPS. ISAPS is about education so that is the place to be if you want to learn; if you’re older, then you have things to share, so you might be interested in teaching others and learning from others about the procedures you know so well.”

—Ivar van Heijningen, MD – ISAPS Member, Belgium
Chair, ISAPS Membership Committee
“We create a very healthy competition because we have so many experts in the field of aesthetic plastic surgery that we actually improve our skills and knowledge by sharing ideas and new tricks and discussing our work among friends. This, I believe, is critical to improve and maintain our excellence in our own practices.”

– Vakis K Kontoes, MD, PhD – ISAPS Member, Greece
Chair, ISAPS Education Council
“ISAPS is the largest aesthetic plastic surgery society in the world. Here you will not only learn today’s trends, but you will make friends with other surgeons in many countries.

REMEMBER, humans are all about connections, and ISAPS offers you connections in plastic surgery worldwide.

–Lina Triana, MD – ISAPS Member, Colombia

ISAPS 2nd Vice President
“ISAPS has given me the opportunity to be in contact with colleagues from all over the world to exchange ideas about our surgical practice. I had the opportunity to meet new friends and spend good times together traveling the world and visiting countries and new colleagues.”

-Gianluca Campiglio, MD, PhD – ISAPS Member, Italy
ISAPS Secretary