



INTERNATIONAL  
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PREVENTION  
OF CRIME

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## ICPC MEMBERSHIP

### ICPC

The **International Centre for the Prevention of Crime (ICPC)** is the only global non-governmental organization (NGO) to focus exclusively on **crime prevention and community safety**. The mission of the ICPC is to promote safer and healthier societies through the application of strategic and evidence-led programmes and initiatives which aim to reduce and prevent offending and victimization and to support international norms and standards.

ICPC was founded in 1994, initially by the governments of Canada, France and Quebec, and inspired by the work of the former mayor of Épinay-sur-Seine (France), Mr. Gilbert Bonnemaïson, who was its first President. The Centre is located in Montreal and its members include a range of **national and local governments from across the world, as well as international, regional and national organizations, cities, and a wide variety of non-governmental organizations and associations** concerned with issues of crime prevention and community safety.

Since it was created ICPC has worked closely with UN-HABITAT and its Safer Cities Programme in particular, and with UNODC (United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime), both of which are members of the Centre. ICPC is also a member of the **Programme Network Institutes affiliated with the UN Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice**, a network of institutions around the world which aim to assist Member States and the work of the Commission.

### ICPC's activities:



To provide technical assistance to crime prevention actors by **pooling and sharing knowledge and expertise**;



To **offer tools** for knowledge sharing, analysis and training for practitioners engaged in local prevention actions;



To provide assistance to governments for the development and implementation of **national and regional prevention and community safety strategies** that favour partnerships and local support;



To promote effective approaches for **preventing and reducing crime and improving safety and quality of life** with local, regional, and national authorities and with international organizations;



**To collect, analyze, and compare** crime prevention policies and practices worldwide;



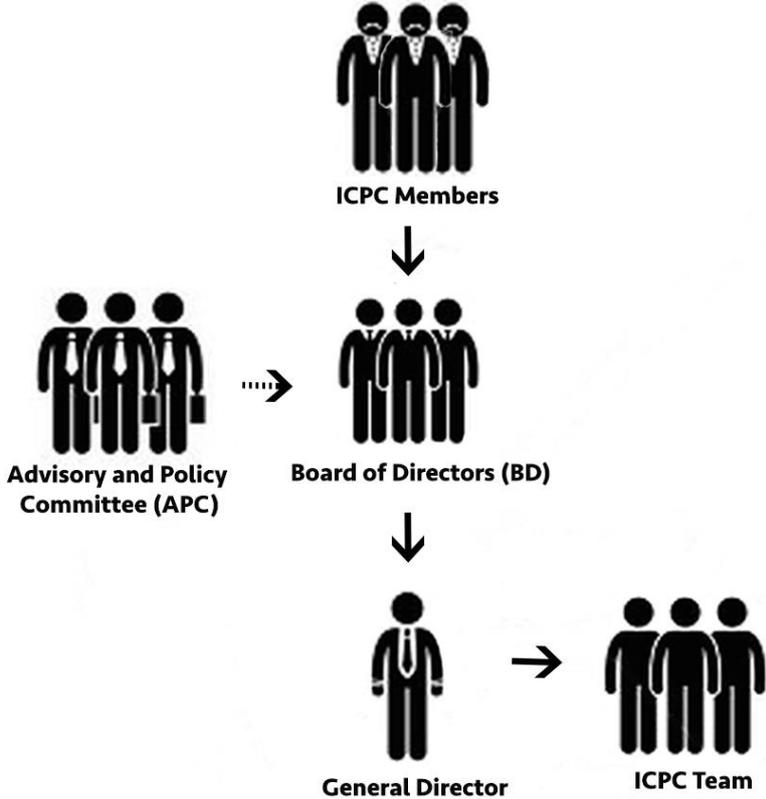
To serve as an active facilitator of **international exchange** and cooperation between governments, municipalities, communities, and non-governmental organizations, private sector organizations and scholars working in crime prevention and urban safety.

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# GENERAL STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE



The Centre is managed by a **Board of Directors (BD)**, whose members are elected for a two-year mandate by ICPC general members *intuitu personae* at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Sitting alongside the Board of Directors, **an Advisory & Policy Committee (APC)** brings together the ICPC member governments. The APC studies the Centre’s projects and orientations, and expresses its priority expectations regarding the organisation’s activities.

The three ICPC governing bodies (**ICPC general members, BD, and APC**) convene at least once yearly, usually at the end of the year, in conjunction with the ICPC annual seminar or colloquium.

## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

ICPC is at the centre of a unique and dynamic network comprised of policy makers, researchers, practitioners, and non-governmental organisations from around the world focused on issues relating to crime prevention and community safety.

**ICPC membership means taking part in this community and benefitting from privileged collaboration with the Centre as well as access to information and its network:**

### 1. Access to the ICPC network

The ICPC network facilitates information sharing on crime prevention and community safety developments in diverse regions of the world and enables access for ICPC members to knowledge on crime prevention and safety that would not otherwise be made available. Moreover, the network enables constant exchange among members all over the world, which is at the core of ICPC activities.

ICPC members also benefit from differentiated registration fees in all ICPC events, as well as the organization of professional visits alongside annual meetings and Centre visits throughout the year, providing great learning and networking opportunities.

### 2. Privileged cooperation/Support

Upon joining ICPC, members receive the following services:

- ICPC collects and disseminates information on specific topics related to crime prevention and community safety. It also provides information on current news, upcoming events, and research from the field.
- **Receipt of consultation services** throughout the year via email and/or the web on issues relating to crime prevention and community safety.
- Members are invited to develop a work plan together with ICPC to establish cooperation between the organizations. Members can also access the expertise of ICPC to support their activities, through the implementation of programmes, training sessions, providing **technical assistance** on a broad range of subjects, as well as other forms of collaboration.
- ICPC can also assist its members in the organisation of their workshops and events in the field of crime prevention.

### 3. Visibility

Through ICPC, and therefore through our network, members can promote their crime prevention programmes and policies via multiple mediums (e.g. International Report on Crime Prevention and Community Safety published biannually, ICPC website, email newsletter and social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn), seminars, colloquiums, etc.).

The ICPC network also covers the identification of crime prevention experts from around the world with expertise on a wide range of issues.

## 4. Bridge between the world of research and practice

The Centre promotes complicity between the work of researchers and activities and strategies undertaken by practitioners. We aim for useful research that helps practitioners improve their interventions in crime prevention and community safety.

## 5. Experience

With over 20 years of active presence internationally, the Centre is able to provide to our members with professional support that is valid through various international forums, representing a worldwide reference for crime prevention.

## CRITERIA AND ADMISSION PROCEDURE

### Characteristics

ICPC membership is based on sharing common values in crime prevention and urban safety, as defined in the ICPC statutes.

According to the ICPC statutes, qualifying general members able to designate a representative are:

- Cities, associations of cities and other regional administrations;
- National or international non-governmental organizations;
- Specialized institutes and research centres; universities; governmental and inter-governmental organizations;
- Private sector businesses and organisations.

Members' representatives are chosen from those persons holding an elected position in the organisation they represent, or from permanent employees or persons who hold a directorial position in the organisation they represent.

Honorary members can also be chosen by the Board of Directors and, as such, can attend the Annual General Meeting in a non-voting capacity.

### Financial considerations

All members contribute to the ICPC by paying annual membership fees, or through distinct financing or by contributions in-kind invested in the realisation of a particular activity such as research, an event, the organisation of an exchange network, tools, etc.

The dues and contributions scale were adopted in February 2012, during the Board of Directors' meeting in Cape Town, South Africa.

### **a) Dues payable by organisations**

The amount of the fee due is determined by the Board of Directors and based on the organisation's resources, information which organisations themselves submit. There are three levels of annual fees for organizations:

- with low annual revenues: CAD\$350 (three hundred and fifty Canadian dollars)
- considered to have limited means: CAD\$1,000 (one thousand Canadian dollars)
- with adequate means: CAD\$2,000 (two thousand Canadian dollars)

*Honorary members are exempted from the payment of dues.*

### **b) Contributions of national and provincial governments and cities**

The contribution due from newly admitted national and provincial governments and cities is set case by case according to the type of membership in which the new member chooses to engage. The contribution can be established as an annual fee, as the development of a joint project or programme, as a demand for a specific project or technical assistance and also by providing services, such as lending personnel.

### **c) Contributions in kind**

Members who actively engage in collaboration with ICPC for a given financial year might have fees reduced or waived for that year.

Moreover, all ICPC members can additionally contribute to the Centre's development activities by taking on various expenses such as translation costs, publications, event planning, travel, etc.

## **Procedure**

In order to become a general member, the applicant must forward a written application to the attention of the President of the Board of Directors.

The application will be subsequently submitted to a vote of the Board of Directors. Government applications are first submitted for consideration to the Advisory & Policy Committee.

Membership is automatically renewed on a yearly basis, unless the member no longer meets the required qualifications, submits a resignation, or shows cause for dismissal.

**Applications should be sent to ICPC, care of Ms. Kassa Bourne, Director of Administration: 465 rue Saint Jean, Suite 803, Montreal, H2Y 2R6 (Quebec) Canada or via email: [KBourne@cipc-icpc.org](mailto:KBourne@cipc-icpc.org)**