



## Principles for organizing IASC events

IASC is a member-based organization. The operations of the IASC depend largely on contributions from our members. Thus we serve our members first. IASC endorsed events stand for a certain level of quality. Therefore, there is an approval procedure to achieve the IASC label for your event.

We can distinguish the following type of events:

- **Event organized by IASC members** (examples: webinar, public talk, book signing, workshop, World Commons Week event). These events relate to topics of interest to IASC members, but the IASC is not mentioned in the title of the event and is not a formal partner. The IASC will disseminate information provided by the organizer about this event in the newsletter and social media. There is no separate approval process.
- **IASC organized event**, such as a conference, workshops (both online or in-person) World Commons Week as a whole. These events are organized by at least one IASC member for IASC members or those who might want to become IASC members. The secretariat can provide a basic webpage and participants can register for this event via [iasc-commons](http://iasc-commons.org) website, if that is appropriate for the approached audience and the size of the meeting. **IASC organized events** strongly encourage all participants to be members. If that cannot be achieved, then nonmembers need to pay a fee to the IASC.

**IASC organized events** have to be approved by the IASC council. So plan ahead and draft a proposal! Depending on the size of the event, a Memorandum of Understanding is written between organizers and IASC.

Participants of **IASC organized events**, should in principle be IASC members or become members when registering. If the event is rather spreading out to new communities, the participants might instead have to pay a participation fee. The latter is for instance the case with IASC training events, such as summer schools. The amount of the fee is to be negotiated between the organizers and the IASC and depends on the initial purpose of the event and the

services provided. Upon agreement with the IASC council there might be events for awareness raising or events of an explorative sporadic nature – just as joining in and organizing a small World Commons Week event. In that case the IASC council is open to elaborate together with the organizers a flexible handling of the otherwise coercive membership or participation fee arrangement.

Items for an **initial proposal** for an IASC organized event:

- Name and affiliation of organizers
- Title event and aim
- Type of event: in-person / virtual; conference/workshop; thematic/global
- Description event
- Expected number of participants
- Assumed share of IASC members involved/served

Sent this information to [iasc@iasc-commons.org](mailto:iasc@iasc-commons.org)

Based on the provided information a conversation will be started with the organizers to get a proposal of sufficient scope for the IASC council to discuss.