I have recently taken over as Chair of the Membership Committee after Dr Anne Ducros. First action was to establish our aims.

We plan to increase individual and institutional membership, with full representation of national headache societies and members, considering the 7 super regions (and 21 regions) of the Global Burden of Disease. The 7 super regions are

- High income;
- Latin America & Caribbean;
- Sub-Saharan Africa;
- North Africa & Middle East;
- South East Asia, East Asia & Oceania;
- South Asia;
- Central Europe, Eastern Europe & Central Asia.

Members were invited based on their interest and location or cultural background. The following members accepted the invitation:

- Marco Lisicky, Argentina
- John Dong, China
- Min Su, China
- Callixte Kuate, Cameroon
- Kunduz Karbozov, Central Asia (Kazakhstan)
- Irene de Boer, Netherlands
- Amr Hassan, Egypt, North Africa
- Nooshin Yamani, Iran, Middle East
- Henryk Shultz, Denmark

A map of members distribution and national societies representation is under construction so we can plan our actions. Education and Membership will work together.

We will study how much impact language barrier affects different countries in joining IHS.

Mario F P Peres
Chair
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