



International
Commodities
& Derivatives
Association

About

ICDA is a professional, non-religious, non-political, not-for-profit association of institutions interested in and concerned with all aspects of the commodities and derivatives industries globally, based in Geneva, Switzerland. We are the only truly independent international association representing the derivatives markets and based in a neutral country. ICDA's members include global brokers, bankers, investment fund managers, commodities trading firms, market information providers, service companies and individuals, as well as exchanges and clearing houses.

History

ICDA, until recently known as the Swiss Futures and Options Association (SFOA), was formed as the Swiss Commodities Industry Association (SCIA) at an inaugural assembly held at the Carlton Elite Hotel in Zurich on January 18, 1980. The creation of the Association was the result of extensive preparatory work undertaken by an ad-hoc committee of the CFTC International Advisory Committee formed on the suggestion of the American Ambassador in Bern at the time. In 1991, the Board of Directors of the Swiss Bankers Association accepted the membership application of the Association.

Innovation

Our focus is on new products, new platforms, emerging markets and innovation affecting the future of markets worldwide. We organise international conferences, networking events for our members, training programmes and industry consultations. Our members include major firms including BNP Paribas, KPMG, Credit Suisse, Dubai Gold and Commodities Centre, Pictet, NASDAQ, ICE, SIX, Société Générale CIB, Banque Edmond de Rothschild, Goldman Sachs, Timber Hill, PwC, Cinnober, TAIFEX and others.

Events

Alongside the prestigious Bürgenstock event, the ICDA hosts a number of high-profile annual conferences and seminars which examine the impact of new developments and explore the opportunities and risks posed by the latest fintech innovations throughout the financial markets industry. These events attract hundreds of delegates and key-industry figures and have established the reputation of the ICDA as a recognised authority in our field.

Membership

Our members are divided into categories 'A' & 'B' (institutional & corporate voting members, represented by one voting delegate) and 'C' members (individual persons, non-voting).

The Association offers the following types of membership:

Type 'A' Members

Exchanges, CCPs, FCMs, banks and financial firms

3000 CHF per annum

Voting

Type 'B' Members

Commodity trading companies, advisory firms and others

1500 CHF per annum

Voting

Type 'C' Members

Individuals working in the industry

250 CHF per annum (free of charge for honorary members)

Non-voting



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About ICDA

The International Commodities and Derivatives Association (formerly SFOA) is a non-profit association founded nearly 40 years ago, serving member banks, exchanges and FCMs as well as individuals employed within the global commodities and derivatives industry.

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