

List of Current Members

- Associação Portuguesa de Classificação e Análise de Dados (**CLAD**)
- British Classification Society (**BCS**)
- The Classification Society (**CS**)
- Gesellschaft für Klassifikation (**GfKI**)
- Ελληνική Εταιρεία Ανάλυσης Δεδομένων (**GSDA**)
- Hungarian Statistical Association (**CMSG**)
- Irish Pattern Recognition and Classification Society (**IPRCS**)
- Japanese Classification Society (**JCS**)
- Korean Classification Society (**KCS**)
- Moroccan Classification Society
- Multivariate Data Analysis Group of the South African Statistical Association (**SASA-MDAG**)
- Multivariate Statistics and Classification Group of the Spanish Society of Statistics and Operations Research (**SEIO-AMyC**)
- Sekcja Klasyfikacji i Analizy Danych PTS (**SKAD**)
- Sociedad Centroamericana y del Caribe de Clasificación y Análisis de Datos (**SoCCCAD**)
- Società Italiana di Statistica (**ClaDAG-SIS**)
- Société Francophone de Classification (**SFC**)
- Statistično društvo Slovenije (**SdS**)
- Vereniging voor Ordinatie en Classificatie (**VOC**)

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IFCS members are Scientific Societies or subgroups of Societies devoted to the scientific field of interest of the IFCS.

For further information visit the website:

https://ifcs.boku.ac.at/site/doku.php?id=member_societies

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International Federation of Classification Societies



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Brief History

The International Federation of Classification Societies (IFCS) was established on 4 July 1985 by 6 founding societies. Since then, the Federation has grown steadily, reflecting the rapid evolution of classification and data analysis. By 2013, membership had expanded to 14 societies, and today it includes 18 societies.

Visit the webpage for more information about the history of IFCS: <https://ifcs.boku.ac.at/site/doku.php?id=start>

General Aims and Activities

IFCS is a scientific organization with non-profit and non-political motives. Its mission is to foster exchange of ideas among researchers interested in scientific principles, numerical methods, and practice of data analysis and classification. IFCS and its member societies promote research on supervised and unsupervised classification principles and methods, mathematical and statistical methods for data analysis, pattern recognition, statistical learning and data science.

The main activities of IFCS include the following:

- ✓ promote mutual communication, co-operation and interchange of views among all those interested in scientific principles, numerical methods, and practice of data analysis and classification in a broad sense and in as wide a range of applications as possible;
- ✓ serve as an agency for the dissemination of technical scientific information related to these areas of interest;
- ✓ organize the biennial IFCS conference;
- ✓ publish a newsletter;
- ✓ support the journals and other publications, such as Journal of Classification (JoC) and Advances in Data Analysis and Classification (ADAC).

Organization

The organizational structure of the Federation includes:

- the Council, which is the highest authority of the Federation. It shall make all policy decisions and submit any important issue to the member societies of the Federation for discussion;
- the Executive Committee, which implements the policy and decisions approved by the Council.

IFCS Logo



The logo of IFCS may be used upon preventive authorization of the Executive Committee for scientific patronage of a national or international scientific activity.

Important deadlines for authors:

Short papers

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| ○ Submission | 18 January 2026 |
| ○ Notification of acceptance | 8 March 2026 |
| ○ Final version | 15 March 2026 |

Abstract

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| ○ Submission | 15 March 2026 |
| ○ Notification of acceptance | 31 March 2026 |

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| ○ Early registration | 4 May 2026 |
| ○ Standard registration | 15 June 2026 |
| ○ Late registration | after 15 June 2026 |

Conference Web Site

Up to date information concerning the conference organization, including details about the paper submission and registration to the conference, will be made available at the following web site.

<https://IFCS2026.unimib.it/>

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We look forward to seeing you at IFCS 2026!

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IFCS Past Conferences

Aachen - Germany (1987), Charlottesville - USA (1989), Edinburgh - Scotland (1991), Paris - France (1993), Kobe - Japan (1996), Rome - Italy (1998), Namur - Belgium (2000), Cracow - Poland (2002), Chicago - Illinois (2004), Ljubljana - Slovenia (2006), Dresden - Germany (2009), Frankfurt - Germany (2011), Tilburg - The Netherlands (2013), Bologna - Italy (2015), Tokyo - Japan (2017), Thessaloniki - Greece (2019), Porto - Portugal (2022), San Jose - Costa Rica (2024).