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## **STATEMENT on MEMBERSHIP DUES from the IUIS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Dear IUIS Council Member,

To make the policy on the annual dues for the International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS), the Executive Committee would like to issue a statement in regards to how the dues shall be calculated for the consideration of the Council.

As stated in Article 2.4 of the IUIS Constitution

*All members shall pay annual dues at a rate set by Council, payable on the first day of the calendar year of the Union in a currency specified by the Council. Failure to pay dues will result in suspension unless the General Assembly votes otherwise upon recommendation of the Council. Upon recommendation of the Council, a Society that has lost its member status may be treated as an observer. Suspended societies shall be immediately reinstated upon payment of dues. The amount to be paid shall be determined by Council. With the agreement of Council, International Affiliate Members may elect to pay dues at a rate to be set by Council. If such occurs the officer appointed by the Affiliate Member to represent them at Council Meetings will acquire full Council voting rights.*

It is of the opinion of the Executive Committee that the two membership categories (low to middle income and high income) be determined by how each country is ranked with respect to the most up-to-date World Bank per capita gross national income (GNI) purchasing power parity (PPP), whereby high income are ranked in the top 100.

It is also suggested that the rates be increased from \$US 2.75 and \$US 7.50 to \$US 3.00 and \$US 9.00 for low to middle income and high income member countries respectively.

Many kind regards,

Your IUIS Executive Committee