





**IFMSA**

International Federation of Medical Students' Associations

Fédération Internationale des Associations d'Etudiants en Médecine

Federacion Internacional de Asociaciones de Estudiantes de Medicina

# Youth on addressing the alcohol related harm: IFMSA perspective



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## IFMSA Mission Statement

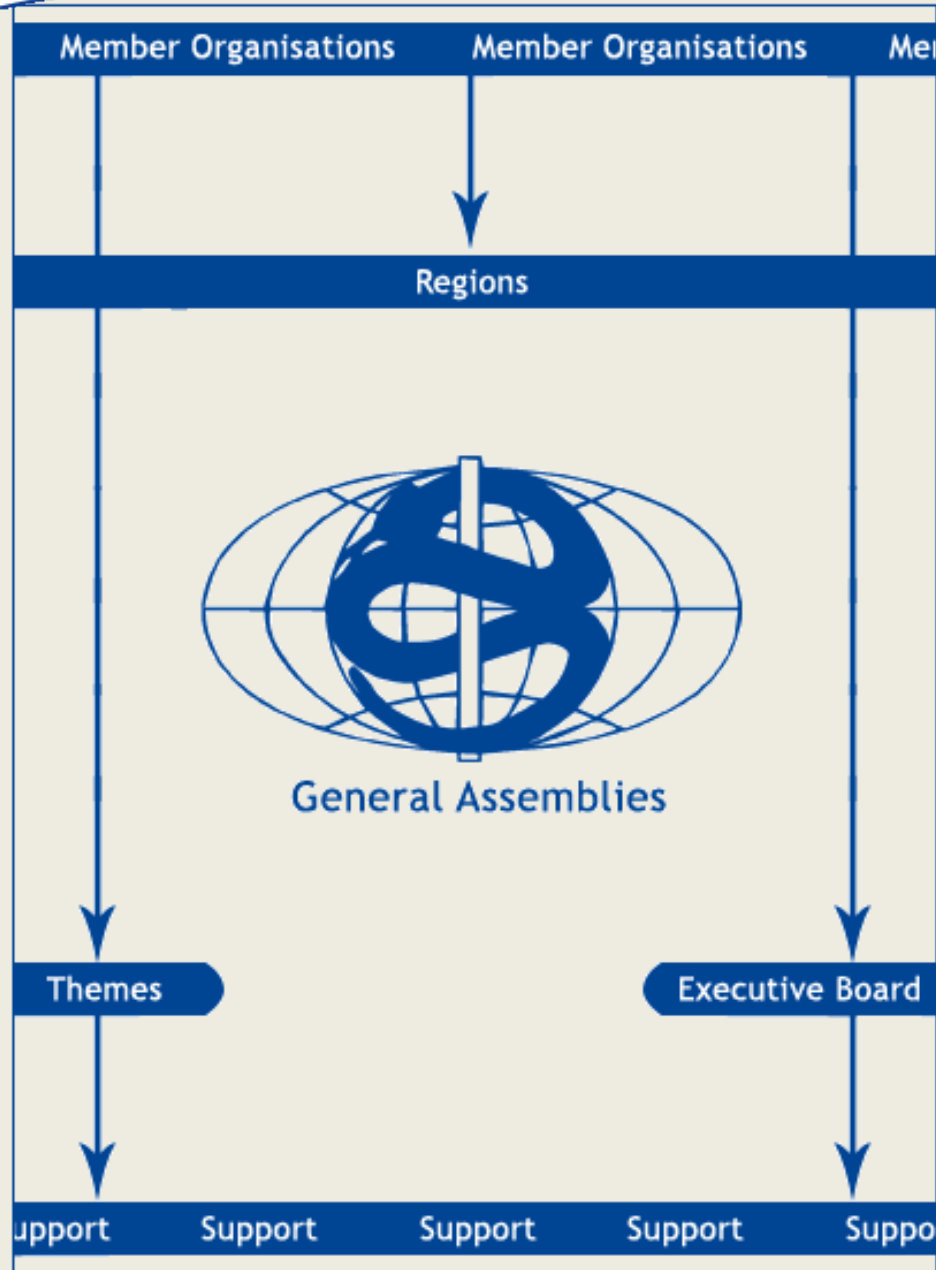
*Our mission is to offer future physicians a comprehensive introduction to global health issues; through our programming and opportunities, we develop culturally sensitive students of medicine, intent on influencing the transnational inequalities that shape the health of our planet*

## IFMSA

- **Founded in 1951**
- **118 National Member Organisations from 112 countries representing more than 1,3 million medical students**
- **Officially recognized by WHO since 1969**
- **More than 14,000 exchanges in 2011/12**
- **Several Endorsed & Transnational Projects and 2 Initiatives**

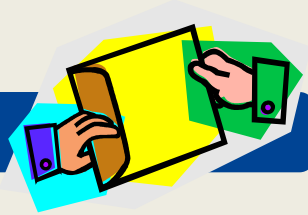


**IFMSA Structure**



## What we offer to our members

Exchange and Cooperation



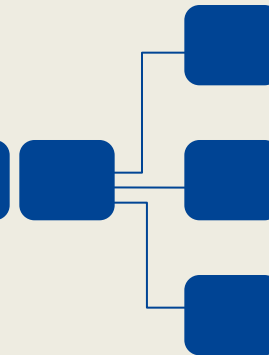
Training



External Representation



Network





## What do we do ?

- Exchanges
- Projects
- Trainings
- Conferences, workshops, summer schools
- Publications
- Lobbying and Advocacy

### Areas of work:

- Professional Exchange
- Research Exchange
- Public Health
- Human Rights and Peace
- Reproductive Health including AIDS
- Medical Education



## Public Health

- Transnational project:
  - Teddy Bear Hospital
  - Tobacco Initiative Project
  - Alcohol related harm project
- World Health Days Celebrations
- National projects:
  - Health Week





## Meetings

- Bi-annual General Assembly
  - March Meeting
  - August Meeting
- Regional Meetings
- Team of Officials Meetings
- Traings
- National conventions



## EAHF and IFMSA

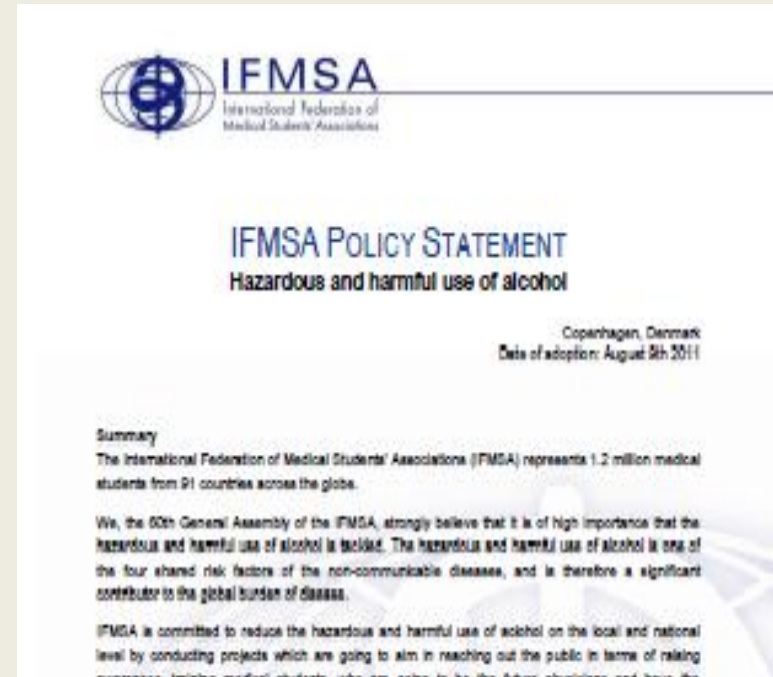
- Became member in 2011
- Adopted alcohol related harm Policy Statement during 60<sup>th</sup> General Assembly August Meeting 2011 in Copenhagen, Denmark
- Commitment to the Forum submitted in 2011, executed during 61<sup>st</sup> General Assembly August Meeting



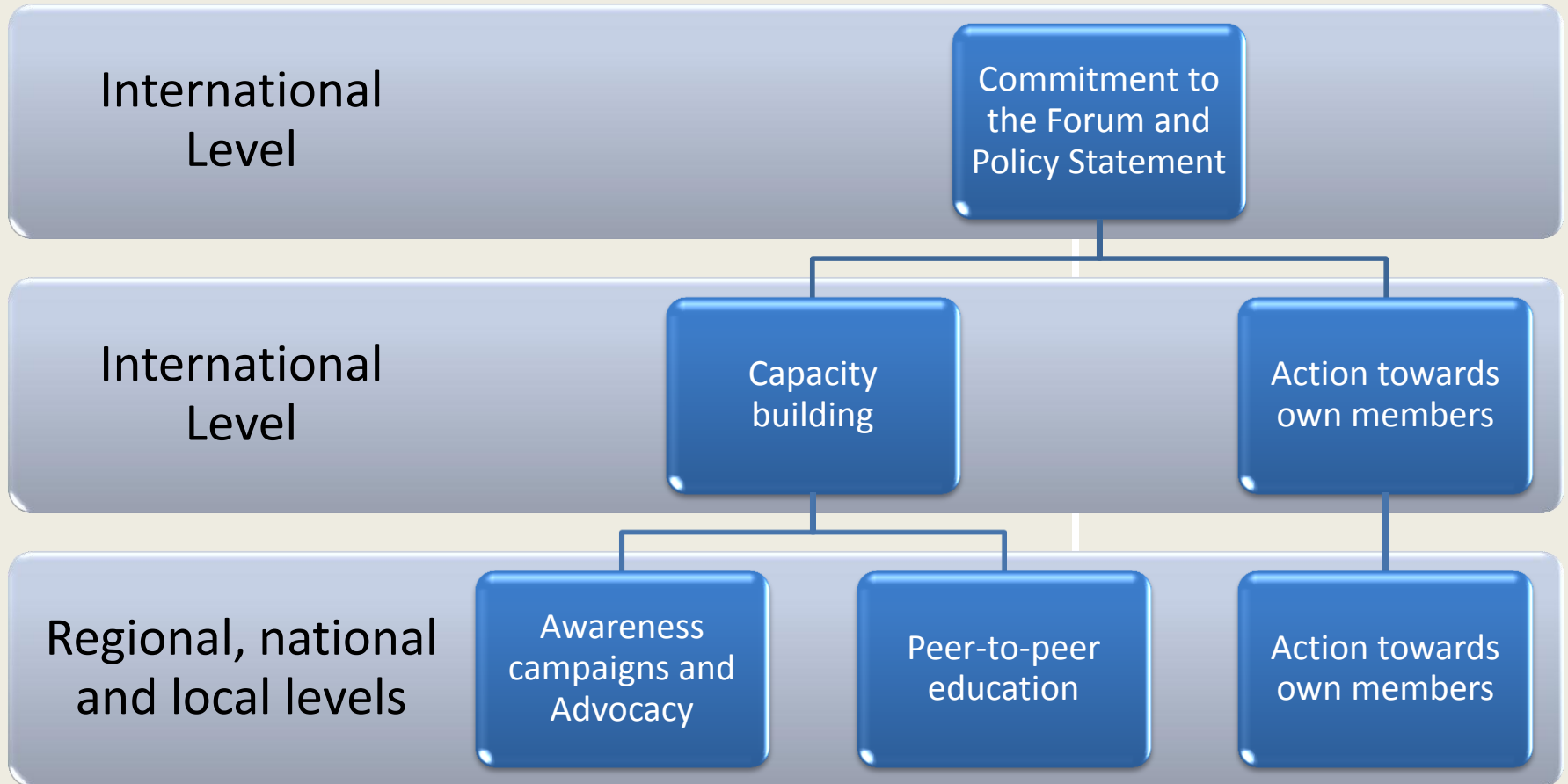
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# IFMSA POLICY STATEMENT

## Hazardous and harmful use of alcohol



# Design of the commitment



## International Level

The Action towards our own members: “be the change you want to see in the World”





## International Level

Training new International advocates and peer-education trainers in medical student communities. Using already existing networks for peer education and frameworks for advocacy!



## Follow-up and Alcohol Initiative Project

### “Think Globally, act Locally”

- Changing the alcohol behavior among our members
- International, regional and local advocacy
- Peer education for the school children
- Creating the network for the alcohol research through our Standing Committee on Medical Research Exchange



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