



## 1. What is FOBISIA?

FOBISIA is a registered society in Singapore with its HQ located in Thailand. It is a not-for-profit Federation of British international schools in Asia. FOBISIA is the premier Federation in Asia supporting and promoting high-quality British-style international education.

## 2. How is FOBISIA governed?

FOBISIA's governance is defined by its constitution and by-laws.

## 3. What is FOBISIA's Mission?

It is FOBISIA's Mission to deliver value for its members by ensuring high quality British-style international education through shared professional development, student enrichment, and mutual support between Member Schools in the region.

With more than 30 years of shared history, the FOBISIA family is a diverse and inclusive community of global citizens. As a growing Federation, FOBISIA prides itself on the provision of quality British-style international education while maintaining the highest standards of professional conduct. All Member Schools are either accredited or working towards accreditation with leading institutions. FOBISIA is more than a group of schools; it is about what members can bring to the Federation and the way they work together that makes it unique. FOBISIA Member Schools are all committed to bringing value, maintaining standards and living the ethos of the Federation for the benefit of all.

## 4. What are the benefits of FOBISIA Membership?

Membership of FOBISIA provides a forum for discussion, networking, sharing information and best practice, and for engaging with leading educational thinkers and practitioners from around the world. It provides opportunities to participate in continuing professional development and student enrichment activities across a range of learning areas. FOBISIA provides opportunities for peer-to-peer collaboration and support at every level. The Federation is also an essential source of guidance in the areas of leadership, quality assurance, safeguarding and recruitment, and provides opportunities for representation among its neighbours beyond Asia and in the UK.

## 5. What types of membership does FOBISIA have?

There are four categories of FOBISIA Membership. Affiliate Membership is also offered to education organisations of interest to Member Schools. As well as Full and Associate Membership for Member Schools depending on whether they are accredited, the Federation offers Individual Membership to former Heads of Member Schools in order to retain the invaluable institutional knowledge that exists among our dynamic network of school leaders in and beyond the region.

## **6. What are the strengths of the Federation?**

Although FOBISIA has grown and developed as a Federation over a 30-year period, it remains an inclusive and welcoming community that is much respected across Asia, and beyond. FOBISIA's strengths are a commitment to providing value for our members and being a community that "cares and shares" where the access schools and supporting organisations have to a vast network promotes collaboration and cooperation.

## **7. How many members does FOBISIA have and where are they located?**

FOBISIA's membership takes in 80+ Member Schools across 17 countries and regions within Asia, including Brunei Darussalam, China and its territories - Hong Kong and Taiwan, Indonesia, India, Japan, Kazakhstan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Vietnam.

FOBISIA currently has 80+ Affiliate Members located across the globe, but mainly in the UK. FOBISIA is currently developing its Individual Membership category.

## **8. What are the expectations on becoming a FOBISIA Member?**

Upon becoming a member of FOBISIA, members are expected to maintain their quality standards and adhere to FOBISIA Codes of Conduct. FOBISIA closely monitors compliance to ensure that members are able to remain in the Federation and continue to play an active role in achieving its mission. It is not only what FOBISIA can bring to its members, but it is also as much about what its members can bring to FOBISIA. The Federation promotes and encourages a culture of sharing.

## **9. What is the process for applying to join FOBISIA?**

Schools, educational organisations and individuals interested in joining FOBISIA can request a Membership Pack and submit a Membership Application. FOBISIA's Membership Committee ultimately decides if a school, educational organisation or individual meets the criteria for membership. Once new members are admitted to the Federation, they are inducted into the FOBISIA family and notified of their benefits.

## **10. What does it cost to become a member of FOBISIA?**

All of FOBISIA's annual membership cycles run from 1 September to 31 August (considered a school year), and billing for School and Affiliate Membership is completed in advance of the school year. Individual Membership does not come with a fee.

School Membership Fees are reviewed annually by the Federation. FOBISIA's Fee Schedule includes two components, an annual subscription fee and an enrolment fee. The enrolment fee is determined by the number of students enrolled in the school. The applicable Fee Schedule is included in the School Membership Pack.

Affiliate Membership Fees are reviewed annually by the Federation. FOBISIA's current fee for Affiliate Membership is SGD 600.