

Dear IALM Members,

I am pleased to communicate to you that the new IALM Website is now operational. Therefore, I would like to take the opportunity to outline in some detail the new layout and ethos of the Website in relation to the previous version, in order to allow current and future users to utilize its contents effectively.

1. HOMEPAGE

Here you can find the **Message of the IALM President** [Figure 1].



Figure 1

On the left side of the page you can **log in** with your username and password if you are already a registered user or you can **create an account** by clicking on the relevant link [Figure 2].

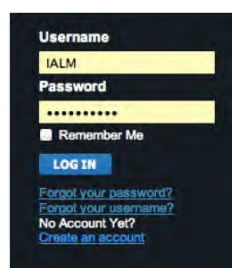


Figure 2

By clicking **Contact the Staff** [Figure 3], you will be redirected to a page containing all of the related contact information [Figure 4].

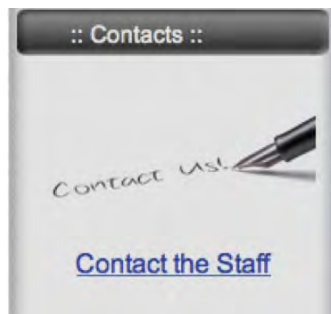


Figure 3



Figure 4

The link to the **European Academy of Legal Medicine (EALM)** will be operational as soon as its website is fully functional [Figure 5]. The link to the **Forensic Anthropology Society of Europe (FASE)** [Figure 6], which is currently hosted on the IALM Website, will be operational as soon as its *new* website is fully functional.

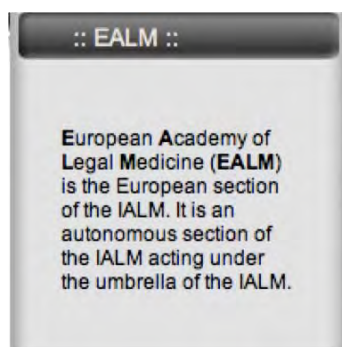


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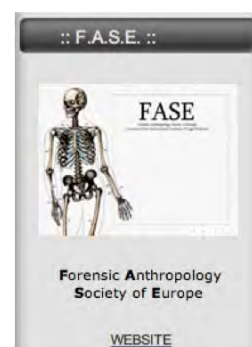


Figure 6

Contemporary with the opening of the new IALM Website, it will be possible to interact with IALM via the relevant **Facebook** and **Twitter** profiles. The IALM needs your invaluable contribution!

From the Homepage you can access the other 4 main sections of the Website.

2. ASSOCIATION

Here you will now find the subsections concerning the **Name & Aims, History** and a **downloadable version of the current Statute** (Rev. 29.05.2009) of the International Academy of Legal Medicine [Figure 7].

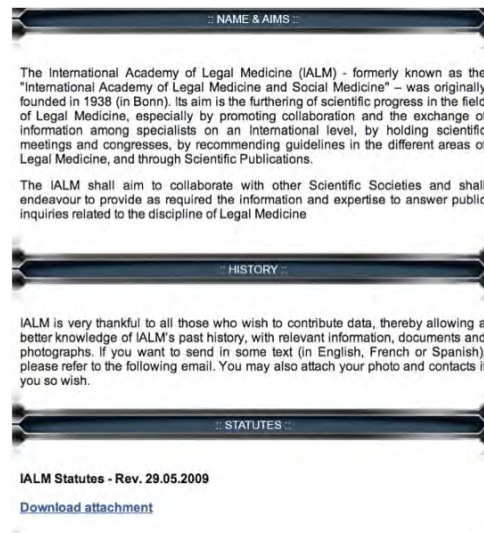


Figure 7

In addition you can apply for membership by clicking on **Application for Membership** in the Membership subsection and filling out the form. By pressing **SEND** this will be automatically transmitted to the administrators who will then deal with your request [Figure 8].

Under the same subsection you can also click on and see statistics regarding **IALM Members according to the country of origin** and **IALM Members according to the continental section**.

MEMBERSHIP

To become a member of IALM, please fill in the application form shown and send it to us.

You may designate 2 IALM members as referees for your application or two colleagues from the field of Legal Medicine and Forensic Sciences. Their names, etc. should accompany your application.

It is also mandatory to make a choice regarding the type of membership: (1) Full membership with subscription of the International Journal of Legal Medicine, (2) Full membership without subscription of the International Journal of Legal Medicine and (3) Extraordinary membership to those who do not practice forensic sciences, but who would like to become a member of IALM. Different fees apply for each of the membership choices.

IALM members also have the option of becoming a member of the Forensic Anthropology Society Europe (FASE) section and receiving various extra information from this group.

Your application will be processed quickly and you will receive an email communication containing the Presidium decision.

[Application for Membership](#)

[IALM Members according to the country of origin](#)

[IALM Members according to the continental section](#)

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

To become a member please fill the application form, please don't forget that for the correct processing of the application form, it is mandatory to make a choice regarding the type of membership.

First name		(*)
Surname		(*)
Title		
Choice of membership	<input type="checkbox"/> FASE Membership (no fee) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not interested in FASE	
Address for correspondence:		
Institution		
Street		(*)
Area Code		(*)
City		(*)
Country		(*)
Telephone		(*)
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E-mail		(*)
References (of 2 full members)		
Short curriculum vitae		(*)
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Figure 8

Finally, in this section you can also find the list of **Presidium Members** and the **IALM Past Presidents**.

3. STATE MEMBERS

Here we have placed the **Continental Sections**, as shown in the figure below [Figure 9]:



Figure 9

At the present time we are preparing to assign Referents for the African, Middle Eastern, Far Eastern, North American, South American and Oceanic Sections.

The **European Subsection** is already operational. By clicking on the relevant icon you can find the complete list of the European countries. Not all of the State Members have a complete page and we are working towards assigning a Referent for each State.

When clicking on a country at the top of the page you will find 4 subsections: **Institutes**, **National Societies**, **National Journals** and **International Collaborations** [Figure 10].



Figure 10

In the **Institutes** subsection you will find a list of all the Institutes operating in that country. In **National Societies** you can find the relevant National Societies for the country.

In **National Journals** there are the National Journals published in that country.

Finally, under **International Collaborations**, there is an illustrative list of research projects in the forensic field in which the country has participated and/or participates in.

In addition, for each country you will be able to access a **Virtual Library**, in which, by clicking on the cover of each journal, you will be redirected to a PubMed page which lists all the publications by that country in the course of the year in that journal [Figure 11].



Figure 11

4. SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION

Here you will find the link to the **International Journal of Legal Medicine**, which is the official publication of the IALM [Figure 12 - a].

Secondly, there is the link to **International Journals of Legal Medicine** [Figure 12 - b].

The third link is to **Journals of interest to the Forensic Sciences indexed in PubMed** [Figure 12 - c]. In this subsection, it is possible to indicate to the staff of the Website other journals that may be relevant. In order to do this, you need to access and fill out the **electronic form** [Figure 13].

To access the new subsection **Guidelines** click on the relevant link [Figure 12 - d]. Here you will find a list of Legal Medicine subjects, including *Clinical Forensic Medicine, Forensic Genetics, Forensic Pathology, Forensic Toxicology, Medical Malpractice and miscellaneous* [Figure 14]. For each subject a selection of Guidelines is already available and others will be available in the future. In this subsection, it is possible to indicate to the staff of the Website other guidelines that may be relevant. In order to do this, you need to fill out the **electronic form** [Figure 15].

Fourthly, there is a link to **International Societies** relating to the Forensic Sciences [Figure 12 - e].

In the link for **International Collaborations** you will be able to find some proposals and requests for collaboration on International Research Projects [Figure 12 - f].

In the **Forensic Links** subsection you can find links to websites of interest to Forensic Medicine[Figure 12 - g].



Figure 12

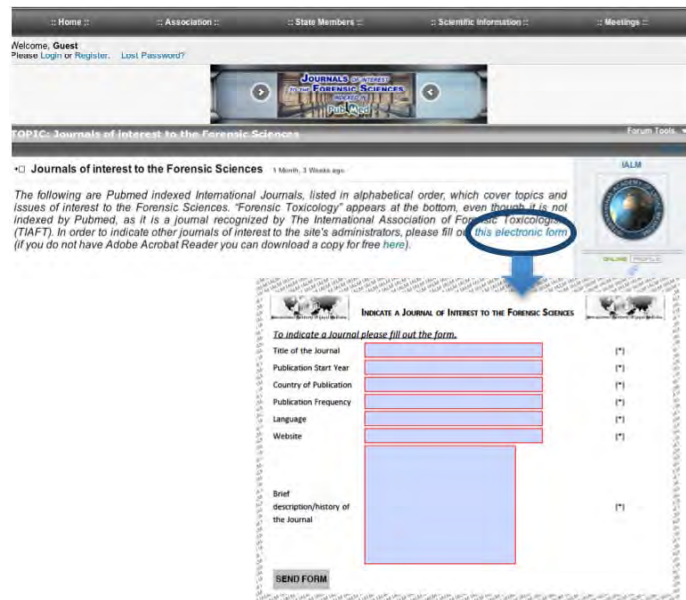


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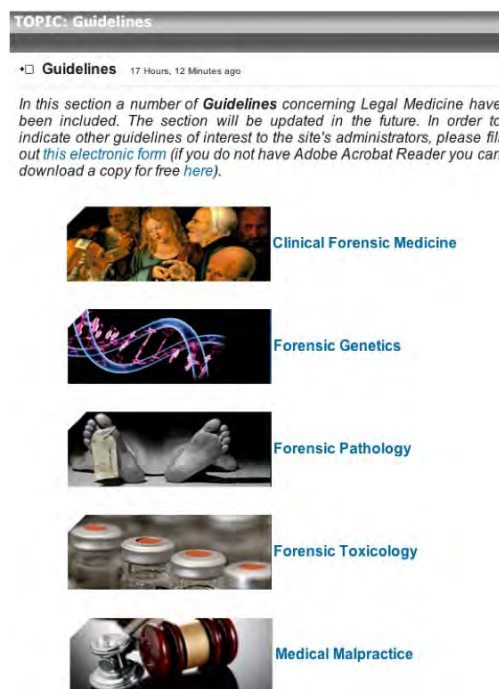


Figure 14

INDICATE A GUIDELINE

To indicate a Guideline please fill out the form.

Title of the Guideline (*)

Authors/Society (*)

Year of Publication (*)

Language (*)

Website

Brief description of the Guideline (*)

Other relevant information

SEND FORM

In order to indicate other guidelines of interest to the site's administrators, please fill out this electronic form. If you do not have Adobe Acrobat Reader you can download a copy for free [here](#).

Figure 15

On the right of the page you find the **I.F. Chart**, which you can enlarge and that shows the impact factor of the Legal Medicine Journals [Figure 16].

LEGAL MEDICINE JOURNALS 2011 IMPACT FACTOR RANKING

Rank	Journal Title	2011 Impact factor	5 - year Impact Factor	
1	EXPERT OPINION ON THERAPEUTIC PATENTS	3.571	2.122	
2	FORENSIC SCIENCE INTERNATIONAL-GENETICS	3.082	3.326	
3	INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF LEGAL MEDICINE	2.587	2.584	
4	REGULATORY TOXICOLOGY AND PHARMACOLOGY	2.427	2.403	
5	FORENSIC SCIENCE INTERNATIONAL	2.301	2.408	
6	SCIENCE & JUSTICE	1.597	1.269	
7	FORENSIC SCIENCE MEDICINE AND PATHOLOGY	1.444	N/A	
8	JOURNAL OF FORENSIC SCIENCES	1.229	1.562	
9	JOURNAL OF LAW MEDICINE & ETHICS	1.215	1.657	
10	JOURNAL OF FORENSIC AND LEGAL MEDICINE	1.098	N/A	N/A
11	AMERICAN JOURNAL OF FORENSIC MEDICINE AND PATHOLOGY	0.883	0.900	
12	RECHTSMEDIZIN	0.814	N/A	
13	MEDICINE SCIENCE AND THE LAW	0.446	0.423	
14	ROMANIAN JOURNAL OF LEGAL MEDICINE	0.398	N/A	
15	AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF FORENSIC SCIENCES	0.308	N/A	

*Referred to the 2010 IF
N/A - Not available
Source: 2011 JCR® Science Edition, published by Thomson Reuters - Subject category "Medicine, Legal"

Figure 16

5. MEETINGS

In this section you can click on the subsection **IALM Meetings** [Figure 17] to see a list of all of the past meetings and venues of the IALM up until the present time, including the ***related photo galleries*** [Figure 18]. If you have any photographs of IALM events which you would like to display on the Website, please feel free to send them to us.

Future IALM Meetings, including **Symposiums** and **collateral events** that are organized in collaboration with IALM, will also be included here. If you would like to indicate on the Website an event in your Country that is organized in partnership with the IALM, you can do so by contacting us via the Website.



Figure 17



Figure 18

Secondly, there is the subsection for **International Meetings** [Figure 19], which provides a list and brief descriptions of International Meetings of interest to the forensic sciences, which IALM Members will be able to add to by filling in the electronic form provided and sending it to the site's administrators [Figure 20].



Figure 19

Figure 20

Thirdly, there is the subsection for **National Meetings** [Figure 21], which provides a list and descriptions of National Meetings of interest to the forensic sciences, which IALM Members will also be able to add to as previously described above.

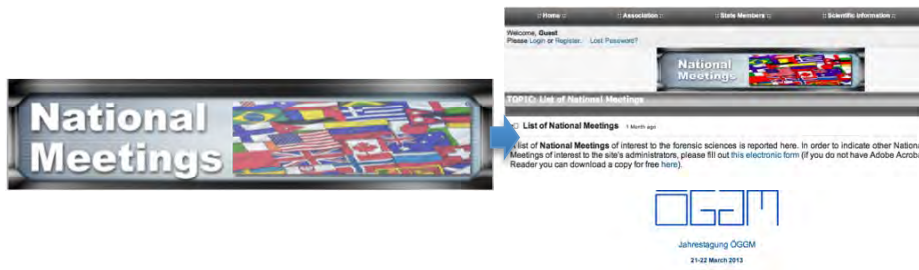


Figure 21

The IALM will continue to work tirelessly to achieve its goals. I hope that the operations of the IALM will continue to generate valuable contacts between professionals of all countries, with a renewed determination to cooperate and go forward together in a spirit of **impartiality** and **sincerity**, with full respect for the values of **humanism** and the importance of **human dignity**. I firmly believe that by working together to the best of our ability we will be able to achieve results of real excellence in the future.

In this respect it is particularly agreeable to give my thanks to the Webmaster Group for the efficient and enthusiastic work performed and, in particular, to Dr. Alessandro Amagliani, Dr. Thomas Dewis, Dr. Paolo Fais and Dr. Alessia Viero.

Similar thanks are, finally, directed at those who wish to notify us of the inevitable errors and shortcomings within the Website, thereby providing us with those suggestions necessary for the most effective improvement of the Website.

With kind regards, I wish you all fulfilment and success in your future work,

S. Davide Ferrara

IALM President