Since our launch in April 2019, INATBA has established itself as the pre-eminent convener in the global blockchain ecosystem, offering developers and users of Distributed Ledger Technology a forum to interact with regulators and policymakers with the overarching mission of bringing blockchain technology to the next stage.

Who We Are

163 full members across 32 countries

Our Government Advisory Body includes 24 organizations from more than 19 countries across Europe, North America, Africa and Asia

Our Academic Advisory Body includes 45 members from 19 countries around the world

15 Working Groups and Committees

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What We Do

INATBA's main objectives are:

**Constructive Dialogue**
Maintain a permanent and constructive dialogue with public authorities and regulators that will contribute to global convergence of regulatory approaches to blockchain and other distributed ledger technology.

**DLT Applications**
Develop sector-specific guidelines and specifications for the development and acceleration of trusted sectoral blockchain and DLT applications in specific sectors.

**Governance Model**
Promote an open, transparent and inclusive global model of governance for blockchain and other distributed ledger technology infrastructures.

**Development Support**
Support the development and adoption of interoperability guidelines, specifications and global standards.

Why Join INATBA?

**Play a role in determining the future of blockchain.**

By joining INATBA, you will be part of an organisation that facilitates positive change in the blockchain ecosystem. We are dedicated to supporting and promoting our Members as part of our work to bridge public and private entities from diverse fields such as law, finance and education for mutually beneficial cooperation.

Membership offers a host of benefits attractive for the newest of startups to the largest multinational corporations, including:

- Membership in our 15 Working Groups and Committees focused on the most pertinent topics in blockchain
- Opportunities to contribute to and be cited in breaking-edge industry reports
- Exclusive and direct interaction with regulators via bilateral calls and joint events
- Networking opportunities with peers from over 160 companies, 25 GAB Members and 45 AAB Members across 30+ countries
- Access to thought leaders in the academic and government spheres via our Academic Advisory Body and Government Advisory Body
- Recognition of your leadership in the blockchain space via features on our website, contributor credits for publications and highlights in our social media and Member communications
- Access to networking and knowledge building through INATBA’s partnerships with leading standard-setting organisations and global initiatives
- Promotion of your business at least twice a year in social media features and spotlight sessions shared with other INATBA Members and our broader community
- Prioritised speaking slots at our public roundtables and events
- Submission to industry speaking opportunities for subject matter experts by INATBA leadership
- Coming Soon: access to a Members-only portal on our website containing information about international policy decisions, a calendar of industry events networking opportunities and more

Learn more about the work we do and the difference we make:

Visit the [News Page](#) of our website for our latest announcements and read our Executive Director’s [Year in Review Blog](#) for a summary of our work in 2020.

For more information on Membership, including a personalised quote, please contact us at [join@inatba.org](mailto:join@inatba.org)
Join our Global Partnerships

As part of our mission to convene the public and private sectors for impactful work in the ecosystem, INATBA strives to form partnerships with other mission-driven groups for mutual benefit. In 2020, we signed a Memorandum of Understanding with StandICT.eu to support their work in developing a European Observatory for ICT standardisation and have participated in several related events. We recently announced our selection for the European Commission’s CHAISE Initiative, led by the Education Group, we will be working with other stakeholders to design a Pan-European Strategy for Blockchain Skills. Our Energy Working Group launched a joint task force with Go-P2P to study and compare DLT-enabled peer-to-peer energy trading. Our new partnership with LACChain speaks to our global reach and we look forward to engaging with governmental bodies and stakeholders in Latin America.

INATBA offers its Members access to a number of international bodies, with Liaison Category A Status within the International Organization for Standardization allowing participation in ISO’s TC307 work on standard and an initial liaison relationship with the International Telecommunication Union that offers INATBA Members the opportunity to contribute to ITU’s SG16 work on standards for blockchain and the CBDC global task force. We are working diligently to expand the opportunities afforded to our Members in diverse sectors.

Directly interact with regulators and contribute to the creation of impactful policy.

2020 was a significant year for governmental regulations on blockchain technology and INATBA stood ready to respond. In September, the European Commission issued a sweeping draft Regulation regarding crypto-assets and DLT in Europe as part of its Digital Finance Package, including MiCA: the Markets in Crypto-Assets Regulation.

From the initial announcement of MiCA, INATBA positioned itself at the forefront of evaluating and transforming the proposal—issuing same-day responses to the legislation, speaking to leading publications like CoinDesk and Politico to raise awareness and leveraging our platform to communicate with lawmakers.

Absent from initial conversations on MiCA was the voice of the industry, namely organisations and individuals that would be most directly affected by the proposed regulation. To combat this, INATBA convened a new task force consisting of other trade associations, civil society organisations and private corporations to collect industry feedback and ensure the voice of the ecosystem is heard throughout the lengthy adoption and deliberation process. With close to 100 industry members submitting feedback, INATBA Members are currently analysing responses that will be presented to European stakeholders including Members of Parliament, the European Commission and Member States. As blockchain approaches more widespread adoption worldwide, bringing increased regulation with it, INATBA is committed to representing the industry, particularly its Members, where it matters most.

Protect the Future of Crypto-Assets in Europe and Worldwide

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COVID-19 transformed 2020 events. INATBA leadership, co-chairs and Members not only enthusiastically participated in new digital formats but also took advantage of the unique opportunity to convene global audiences and speakers that would often be impossible for traditional in-person events. INATBA Members are always granted priority for speaking slots at our events and we encourage Members to submit proposals for new event ideas. In the bullet-points below, we present event highlights from the past year:

- **Transacting Beyond Borders:** Highlighted global blockchain infrastructure, language and cultural barriers in the blockchain ecosystem and enabling and supporting large-scale DLT infrastructure.

- **Blockchain and Land Registries:** Examined the impact of blockchain on land registries in their two roundtables on protecting property rights, enhancing land governance and advancing economic development.

- **Global Education:** Explored how emerging blockchain technology could improve educational institutions, focusing on pathways for increased education leading to widespread adoption of the technology.

- **Climate Action and Governance:** Critically considered governance challenges in using blockchain for climate action solutions.

- **Blockchain for Climate Action and Energy:** Analysed how blockchain applications in these areas could be developed into influential forces to fight climate change.

- **CBDCs, Stablecoins and Seigniorage Shares:** Featured the ECB, IMF, BIS, World Bank and more for thoughtful reflection and discussion on these rising technologies.

- **Coming Soon:** We will continue to convene key voices for events that make an impact in their fields, including a 2021 edition of Convergence, the INTABA-led Global Blockchain Congress and roundtable events on Digital Identity, DeFi and Policy Agreements.

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**Contribute to Global Blockchain Knowledge**

**Have your voice heard in reports on the most pressing issues facing global adoption of blockchain.**

Our Working Groups bring together thought leaders from diverse backgrounds for meaningful conversation, networking and collaborative projects. In the past year, our Working Groups published four thought-provoking reports looking at perception of data privacy regulations, international data privacy, digital identity and climate action. Working Group Members are guided by internationally renowned academics from our Academic Advisory Body to produce outputs with an impact. These reports have been widely shared and led to engagement with the European Commission, leading firms in their respective fields and coverage in sector-leading media.
By the Numbers...

15 EVENTS were hosted by INATBA and Working Groups in 2020, focusing on important topics in the blockchain ecosystem including CBDCs, international standards and climate action.

10 RESPONSES to public consultations were issued by INATBA Working Groups, with more than three new responses planned for early 2021.

8 REPORTS were published or are in final stages of development, with more to come later in the year. These reports offered industry-changing commentary on data privacy regulations applicable to blockchain technology, decentralised identity scenarios and climate action.

6 WORKING GROUPS formed partnerships with international organisations to contribute to worldwide progress on blockchain technology adoption.

20+ INTERNATIONAL EVENTS featured INATBA Working Group co-chairs, board members or executive leadership as speakers. Speaking opportunities at INATBA events are always available for Members and we frequently submit members for speaking slots at industry-wide events.

3 PUBLIC TASK FORCES were formed in 2020 to engage membership and the general population with government bodies on energy trading, solutions to COVID problems and the European Commission’s MiCA Regulation.

This is Only the Beginning

As we start the year, INATBA is scheduled to host three events, publish four reports and engage with numerous government bodies to positively impact the blockchain ecosystem. As the world returns to what many are calling a “new normal,” we will remain at the forefront of progress, with a special focus on building partnerships with diverse parts of the world and creating unique networking opportunities for our valued Members. 2021 offers us an opportunity to facilitate meaningful change in an industry on the brink of massive growth and development.

We welcome feedback and suggestions on all INATBA operations and are building internal communications channels to help facilitate engagement and catalyse creativity and innovation. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please send them to ideas@inatba.org.

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