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**Directory of Swiss Global Health Actors**

**International Council on Alcohol and Addictions | ICAA**

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**BACKGROUND AND MISSION**

The International Council on Alcohol and Addictions (ICAA) was established during the 11th International Congress against Alcoholism in Stockholm in 1907 as the International Bureau against Alcoholism (IBAA). As an international, non-political, not-for-profit organisation, its mission is to prevent and reduce the harmful use and effects of alcohol, tobacco, other drugs and addictive behaviours on individuals, families and communities. ICAA is a membership-driven, neutral, independent, international non-governmental organisation open to NGOs, institutions and individuals whose activities and objectives are in harmony with those of ICAA. ICAA enjoys consultative status with the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and has a close relationship with the WHO.

**AREAS OF INTEREST**

- Addictive behaviours such as nicotine and alcohol addiction
- Health impacts of addiction
- Mental health

**HEALTH-RELATED ACTIVITIES**

ICAA sensitises, empowers and educates organisations and individuals in the interests of public health, personal and social well-being through a range of activities at the international, regional and local level. It organizes international conferences and meetings to bring together addiction specialists from all over the world to discuss their practice and research, as well as to critically review the progress made in the field. It also maintains a library together with DATA Archer Tongue Collection that contains literature on the field of alcohol and addictions.

**GOVERNANCE AND STAFF**

The current president of the board of directors is Dr. Arthur Guerra de Andrade.

**FUNDING SOURCES AND BUDGET**

Members pay an annual fee, which is set by the Management Committee. As of 2015, the organisational membership costs CHF 1'200, the individual membership costs CHF 100 and the student membership is for free.

**PUBLICATIONS**

For the newsletters, see: <http://www.icaa.ch/newsletters/newsletters.html>

For the ICAA Library - DATA Archer Tongue Collection, which presents the ICAA's literature, see: <https://www.hs-magdeburg.de/en/the-university/departments/social-work-health-and-media/social-and-health-sciences/forschung/icaa-library-data-archer-tongue-collection.html>

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