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The organization is governed by an International Board of Directors which reviews and approves the major work of the organization.

PACON International recognizes the need for increased international cooperation in the areas of marine science and technology. With this in mind, PACON offers membership to interested individuals from around the world.

PACON has fourteen chapters in areas of:

Australia	Indonesia
California	Japan
China	Korea
East Coast (U.S.)	Myanmar
Europe	Philippines
Hawaii	Russia
India	Taiwan



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What is PACON International?

Established in 1982, PACON (Pacific Congress on Marine Science and Technology) **International** is an international non-profit scientific society comprised of marine scientists, engineers, and policymakers. PACON was created following the success of two conferences, PACON 84 and PACON 86. Since then, PACON has held 11 major Conferences and 7 Symposia in Japan, China, Korea, Australia, Hong Kong, Russia, Taiwan and the United States.

PACON offers scientists, engineers and policymakers, worldwide, the opportunity to meet and network with colleagues to discuss vital issues facing our oceans today.

The principal goals of PACON are to:

- Provide information freely to all participating nations;
- Promote the environmentally-sound utilization and sustainable development of the ocean's resources;
- Emphasize through education and public programs the need for sound ocean policies; and
- Advance the various disciplines involved in marine science and technology.



Within the vast territory served by PACON International are nations that are at the forefront of marine science and technology as well as nations that are just beginning to develop their own scientific and technological resources. We all need to study the ocean and collaborate on finding solutions to the problems facing our ocean environment.

As the Earth's last frontier, the ocean presents innumerable challenges. As a vital but not endless source of food and natural resources, the ocean hosts a fragile relationship between animals, plants and their environment, and is essential to our food supply, our climate, our health and our economic well-being.

PACON International has continued its emphasis on becoming the ocean education group of not only the Pacific, but of the world, to ensure that we instill in others the importance that the ocean plays in our everyday lives.

What is the PACON International Endowment Fund?

Created in 1993, the PACON International Endowment Fund was established to create an alternate funding source to maintain PACON as a permanent forum of marine science, technology and policy. In the future, PACON would like to offer its support to scientists, engineers and policymakers from developing countries who may not have enough resources to participate in PACON meetings. Several programs including teachers' workshops, material dissemination, and Ocean Park and similar projects are under development.

Many Ways of Giving

The easiest way of contributing to PACON is by making a cash donation by check or credit card. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, your contributions to PACON International may be deductible as provided by law.

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