

Mission Statement (continued...)

- ◆ Foster and develop a forum for the free exchange of ideas and airing of concerns common to its members. This may be done formally in conjunction with regularly scheduled seminars and workshops; or, alternatively, it may be on an informal basis during a social “mixer” or at a pre-luncheon discussion.
- ◆ Provide a networking and business opportunity among members. This may be done with a formal presentation on a specific topic with industry leaders or in conjunction with other scheduled programs.
- ◆ Represent the interests of its members vis-à-vis regulatory authorities having jurisdiction over the financial services industry in California. Similarly, represent the interests of its members with the legislative and executive branches of state government.
- ◆ Leverage the interests of its members with other professional organizations, such as the California Bankers Association, the Institute of International Bankers in New York, and the National Association of Chinese-American Bankers, among others.
- ◆ Arrange regular meetings to implement the above objectives and promote the annual convention. This event combines an informative range of presentations, educational workshops, and distinguished speakers from the U.S. and abroad with a series of social activities that provide excellent networking opportunities to attendees.

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Why IBAC?

United We Stand – Divided We Fall

With due acknowledgement to Composer John Dickinson in *The Liberty Song*, originated in 1768, we can only remain strong and effective if we are united as one in support of our basic goals and objectives; thus allowing IBAC to speak with one voice to all regulatory bodies and governing agencies.

You Stay Informed

Through newsletters, counsel updates, and articles of interests you stay informed on key issues.

You Get Educated

Education is the “heart” of IBAC. We organize a wide spectrum of programs in the form of luncheon presentations, workshops, and seminars. These programs are often developed with support from the Federal Reserve Bank in San Francisco, the California Department of Business Oversight, and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, as well as from law firms, accounting firms, consulting firms, and other associations.

You Meet People

Commonly called **networking**, membership in IBAC provides regular access not only to foreign bank members but also to domestic banks with an international function and a broad range of other professional members such as securities firms, CPAs, lawyers, executive recruiters, and consultants. Moreover, IBAC regularly joins the Town Hall, Robert Morris Associates, the Los Angeles and San Francisco Chambers of Commerce, and the various international chambers of commerce to sponsor prominent speakers from business and public life. These functions offer an excellent opportunity for members to maintain and establish contact with both the banking community and the broader community (both business and public) in California.

You Join Forces

Through IBAC efforts we have built relationships with the California Bankers Association, the Institute of International Bankers in New York, the Florida

International Bankers Association, the Conference of State Bank Supervisors, and other groups to bring a balanced flow of information and opportunities to our members.

You do Business

Relationships built among IBAC members are key aids in developing and executing your business plan. IBAC provides an opportunity to learn about industry trends and new and related businesses, to develop personal relationships with new business partners, customers, and clients, and to quickly execute on new business opportunities. Equally important, IBAC facilitates a better understanding of how our competitors are dealing with problems and opportunities of common concern.

You Serve the Community

Volunteering time as an IBAC board member, committee member, or luncheon or other event host and participating in activities and programs affords IBAC members an opportunity to give back to the banking community their energy, time, and talent for a worthwhile cause.

You Protect Your Own Interests

There is no better way to protect your own interests than to join a professional organization that identifies clearly with you, your job, and your company. IBAC protects you with a sharing of intelligence and advice covering many aspects of your business activities.

You Get a Bargain

IBAC gives you excellent value for the price of membership. To maximize your membership dollars, every effort is made to run a prudent and cost-effective organization. All events, programs, and mailings are geared to keeping you apprised of the myriad of current developments impacting foreign banks in the United States and, specifically, California. Most importantly, IBAC has gained recognition from the Federal Reserve Bank, the California Department of Business Oversight, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, and the Conference of State Banking Supervisors as the most important association for foreign banks in California.

We look forward to your participation!

History

Originally named the Overseas Bankers Association in California, the Association was organized in 1972 in San Francisco by a group of six foreign bankers. In 1982, the name was changed to the International Bankers Association of California (commonly known as IBAC), reflecting the global impact of foreign banking activity in California and the United States. In 2000, the Association once again changed its name to International Financial Institutions Association of California to reflect further trends in international banking and, in 2006, returned to the popular name of the International Bankers Association of California. Today, IBAC, a nonprofit organization, has over 90 corporate members, including foreign banks, domestic banks, securities firms, and professionals (lawyers, accountants, consultants, recruiters, and commercial real estate agents), who have regular contact with the international banking community.

IBAC is led by a Board of Directors representing both Northern and Southern California members. Board Members are elected annually by the full membership. Monthly membership luncheon meetings are held alternately in Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Mission Statement

IBAC is committed to being the premier professional organization in California representing the global community of international financial service providers that have substantial international business. This includes offices of foreign-headquartered commercial banks, local domestic banks, internationally active investment and merchant bank, wealth management companies, insurance providers, and technology companies. It also includes providers of legal, accounting, and other professional services.

To accomplish this mission, IBAC focuses on the following main objectives:

- ◆ Provide top-quality educational and training programs to keep members on top of all current issues impacting the financial services industry in California. Education is the “heart” of IBAC and is its primary task and obligation to its members.