

# IFMA Boston Interim Bridge Membership Policy

**Description:** In response to an economic downturn; IFMA Boston recognizes that certain members may suddenly discover that their individual membership status becomes void if they are released from the current employer.

**Policy Goal** As a professional organization, IFMA Boston understands that its responsibility to its membership lies in the support of their career development. The goal of this policy is to specifically address the extension of Interim Bridge Membership benefits to those who, because of unexpected severance from their companies, have had to surrender their membership status.

## Interim Bridge Membership

**Terms** IFMA Boston will extend membership benefits as follows:

An honorary, limited membership will be extended to all chapter members who have been active in the IFMA Boston Chapter.

### 1) Prerequisites

Candidates must:

1. Be currently a Boston Chapter member
2. Have been a member in the IFMA Boston Chapter for a period of 1 year or greater
3. Commit to a period of 10 hours per week of active volunteering to the chapter and its activities
4. Express willingness to renew full membership once they have restored their professional status

### 2) Length of Honorarium

Extension of Membership is intended to not last beyond a period of 6 months. At the 6<sup>th</sup> month mark, the Board of Directors will meet to review each bridge membership status and determine the appropriate action on a case by case basis for further extension.

### 3) Restrictions

Bridge membership is for the Boston Chapter and does not include International Membership.

### 4) More Information

For more information on how to apply for Bridge Membership, please contact the Boston Chapter at 617.925.0106 or [ifma@ifmaboston.org](mailto:ifma@ifmaboston.org)