International Agreements

ACCE is establishing agreements with similar organizations in other countries with these goals and mutual benefits:

- Same rights and benefits, except for voting, for members of both organizations including discounts to conferences and journal subscriptions;
- Each organization can use the other one's name and logo on promotion of activities and request for funding;
- Complimentary promotion of each organization's activities on the other one's website and publications;
- Assistance to each other in developing activities whenever requested;
- Recommendation of speakers, panel moderators and consultants per request;
- No costs to members and either organization, except for reimbursement of expenses associated with assistance requested.

Int'l Agreements Signed

Mutual collaboration and assistance agreements have been signed with the following organizations:

- Argentina: SABI
- Brazil: ABEClin
- China: CSCE
- Colombia: COLCINC
- Italy: AIC
- Japan: JACE
- Lebanon: LHMA-HTMA
- Mexico: SOMIB
- Nigeria: CBET
- Peru: ASPIC
- South Africa: CEASA
- Taiwan: TSMBE

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For more information on International Committee activities

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Vision: Improve health care worldwide through proper management and maintenance of health technology

Mission: Advance the Clinical Engineering (CE) profession worldwide through collaboration with and assistance to CE organizations and professionals

Goals:
- Help to educate and secure recognition and support from health authorities, administrators and clinical colleagues
- Help to strengthen CE organizations and professionals.
- Contribute to worldwide public education on the importance of proper management and maintenance of health technology for better patient care and safety.
- Share knowledge and experience that meet local needs and desire.
- Strengthen collaboration with national and international organizations that have similar vision, mission and goals.

International Committee Activities

To fulfill its mission and attain its goals, IC is carrying out the following activities:
- Cooperation with national and international organizations with common and converging vision, mission and goals.
- Collaboration and support of CE associations in foreign countries considering the unique needs, desires and resource limitations of each country.
- Transfer of knowledge and experience through publications, workshops, presentations, webinars, educational programs, technical consultations, etc.
- Advocacy of the profession to national and international health authorities and non-government organizations (NGOs).

International Awards

These awards are specifically established by ACCE to recognize outstanding individuals and organizations outside of USA and Canada that have contributed to the advancement of CE in their respective countries and regions:
- **Antonio Hernandez International Clinical Engineering Award** (for individuals)
- **ACCE/HTF International Organization Award** (for organizations)
- **Student Paper Competition** (for students registered in a CE or related program outside of USA and Canada)

Past Accomplishments

Here are some examples of activities and contributions made by the International Committee since 1991:
- Completed over 50 Advanced CE Workshops (ACEWs) in dozens of countries, e.g., Argentina, Bangladesh, Barbados, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Jamaica, Kosovo, Lithuania, Mexico, Nepal, Panama, Peru, Russia, South Africa, USA, and Venezuela.
- Awarded dozens of individuals and organizations that made outstanding contributions to the advancement of CE in their respective countries and regions or worldwide (please see International Awards section for more details).
- Provided speakers to dozens of international conferences and recommended consultants to numerous countries and organizations.
- Published and contributed to the publication of numerous reference documents and white-papers on healthcare technology and medical equipment maintenance and management, including:
  - Guideline for Health Care Equipment Donations
  - Guideline for Acquisition of Technology
  - Guideline for Cost Savings
  - Guideline for Managing Service Vendors
  - Guideline for Applying Human Factors Engineering
  - Listing of BME/BMET Programs