

Austrian Nutrition Society - Portrait

ANS is a registered, independent non-profit association. Our work is based on relevant scientific findings without the pursuit of any economic or political objectives.

ANS was founded in 1951. Ever since then our main goal is to promote research, education and information in the field of food and nutrition. We are particularly committed to people's general state of health and strive to make recommendations that are scientifically founded, up-to-date and practicable as well.

We are active throughout Austria and maintain close contacts to similar organisations abroad.

Structure of ANS

Chair

- 1 President
- 2 Vice presidents

Board of Directors

- 13 Elected members
- 6 Co-opted members
- 3 Honorary members
- 1 Treasurer
- 2 Controllers

Headquarters

Management
Departments Administration

Members

1034 (as of November 2008)

Affiliated Associations / Sections

ICC-Austria
Section South

Partner Associations

DGE, SGE

Partner Associations and Memberships

- DGE (German Nutritional Society)
- SGE (Swiss Nutritional Society)
- IUNS (International Union of Nutritional Sciences)
- FENS (Federation of European Nutritional Societies)
- EANS (European Academy of Nutritional Sciences)
- AGES (Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety)
- Network Nutrition (Vienna Council)

TASKS AND ACTIVITIES

In the service of science

We have committed ourselves to documenting and analyzing nutritionist research results. By supporting ongoing scientific debates we provide a sound basis for serious nutritional recommendations.

We believe that nutritional recommendations are only practicable if backed by well-founded scientific studies.

We promote nutritionist research and education by awarding research scholarships to young scientists and by organizing numerous conferences and seminars.

Your source of information for all nutrition matters

We publish and distribute information on all the latest nutritional findings and developments.

- Please ask for our information brochures, leaflets, folders, etc. These are updated regularly to provide you with practical knowledge at all times.
- Our daily work is backed by scientific documentation from our library with over 800 collected works as well as our magazine archives with 60 current

magazines. All publications are available to our members.

Your partner for food and drink matters

We provide information about the significance and the many aspects of a balanced nutrition and want to encourage the consumption of healthy and enjoyable food and drink. We consider this our contribution towards maintaining and promoting well-being, fitness and good health.

Our events – every year

- Congresses, workshops, conferences and symposia on current nutritionist issues
- The traditional three nations meeting of ANS; DGE and SGE
- ANS annual meeting
- Trainings and seminars for members

We train nutritionists and interested consumers

For your benefit we organise training seminars and educational events for medical doctors, nutritionists, dieticians and teachers. We provide contacts to national and international associations pursuing similar goals.

We provide information to the media

Our aim is to provide the media with regular, up-to-date information. To achieve this we organise events for journalists on current nutrition issues.

We consult consumers

Being part of an extensive network enables us to guarantee satisfying information on all consumer queries. Our experts are here to answer all your questions. Consumer protection is one of our main concerns.

We oversee nutritional projects

We offer individual coaching for your projects and assist with information on the latest developments and trends. One field where our scientific expertise has been put into practice is the assignment of the ANS- logo for well-balanced food plans.

We offer our services to institutions and businesses

We provide information on the latest developments and trends to leading businesses in the food sector. Businesses can reach an audience of around 4.000 experts in the field of nutrition by placing their adverts with us. Quality Assurance is hereby of greatest importance to us.

MEMBERSHIP

Benefits for ANS-Members

- Free subscription of our magazine "Ernährung aktuell" and discounts on other nutritional journals and publications.
- Free access to the members-only forum of our website with cutting edge information and a regular newsletter keeping you informed about the latest nutritionist findings and developments.
- Easy contact with many nutritionist experts on our online-platform.
- You are invited to all ANS events and are entitled to a reduced fee for all events.
- As a member you elect the ANS board of directors during members' meetings. You also participate in establishing the society's working groups.

- Special offer for students
- Reduced membership fee
- Free subscription of "Nutrition/Ernährung"
- Publications at special low prices
- Special discounts on fees for all events
- Assistance with literature research
- Hands-on trainings for students in the second part of their studies

ANS currently has ca. 1034 registered members. Approximately 85% are individuals, one quarter of who are still in training. The remaining 15% are public or private run institutions, business associations or companies. The main professional fields are Nutritional Science, Medicine, Dietetics, Food Technology, Chemistry and Law, Nutritional Consultancy and Education.

Membership fees (as of January 2009)

Individual members € 55, -
Students € 30, -

For companies, educational institutions, authorities, institutions under public law and supporting partners apply graded membership fees (currently between € 100, - and € 1.500, --)

Contact us!

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