



## INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST (IPHE) Certification Guideline

### Aim & Benefits

The IPHE Certificate awards Home Economists for international professional development activities that enhance global visibility of the discipline and the International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE). By offering an additional international dimension to certification systems, the IPHE Certificate complements national or local systems.

Being awarded the IPHE Certificate comes with many benefits:

- **Competitive advantage.** Improve your resume & showcase your international competence
- **Professional credibility.** Show that you hold unique credentials documenting your professional status at international level
- **Employer reputation:** Strengthen employer reputation with staff that qualify for international benchmark standards
- **Networking opportunities.** Gain access to a global community of renown Home Economics professionals with a global perspective

The Certificate is awarded for four years. Successful applicants receive an official Certificate and might be recognized at an official IFHE event. IFHE reserves the right to publish names of IPHE certified members at its website (unless explicitly objected to).

### Application Process & Criteria

Application is voluntary and can be made by **IFHE members holding a *comprehensive, professional or emerging researcher membership***. The application form can be downloaded from the IFHE Website <https://www.ifhe.org/initiatives/professional-certification>. Each application will undergo review by the IFHE office/Certification Committee. Once the Committee has approved the certificate, the applicants will be notified and asked to pay the non-refundable application / administrative fee of 50,00 Euro (25,00 Euro less developed countries). IFHE will assign the certificate after the payment is verified.

Please note the following important aspects

- Successful application requires a valid individual IFHE *comprehensive, professional or emerging researcher membership* at time of application and during the certificate's 4-year validity.
- The application must document your international home economics activity in the 4 years prior to application, not all of them requiring international travel.
- Certification requires at least 100 Professional Development Units (PDU). At least 50 must be documented by IFHE related activities and up to 50 through by non-IFHE activities.
- Applicants are requested to hold evidence for PDU being claimed. The Certification Committee may request to see copies of this evidence. Should this be requested, the applicant will have two months to submit the documents.