



Memorandum of Understanding Between ASHRAE and International Institute of All-Natural Refrigeration (IIAR)

Founded in 1894, ASHRAE, Atlanta, Georgia serves humanity by advancing the arts and sciences of heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, refrigeration and their allied fields. The ASHRAE vision is a healthy and sustainable built environment for all.

Founded in 1971, IIAR is a nonprofit organization based in Alexandria, Virginia, USA that provides advocacy, education, and standards for the benefit of the global community in the safe and sustainable design, installation and operation of ammonia and other natural refrigerant systems.

ASHRAE and IIAR agree to support the Memorandum of Understanding to advance and promote the mutual interests of their respective members. We are committed to working together toward the following activities and goals:

CONSISTENT LEADERSHIP COMMUNICATION

Recognizing the importance of communication in organizational collaboration, both organizations commit to holding at least one annual liaison meeting (either in person or via conference call) of designated ASHRAE & IIAR senior representatives to:

- Ensure ongoing advancement of collaborative projects.
- Keep each respective organization informed of major initiatives.
- Discuss new opportunities for collaboration.
- Provide and update primary organization contacts and confirm two (2) complimentary memberships for each other's organization.

Action items with assigned responsibilities shall be recorded at each meeting. The parties responsible for ensuring this MOU is actively pursued through the term of the agreement are:

For ASHRAE:

For IIAR:

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CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

Each organization agrees to provide the other with a meeting invitation and two (2) complimentary VIP registrations to the primary annual meeting.

ASHRAE and IIAR agree to explore opportunities to provide speakers at the other organization's meetings to help provide updates and perspectives on technologies and trends of mutual interest.

Where mutually beneficial, each organization shall help publicize the other organization's meetings and promote attendance.

CHAPTER COLLABORATION

ASHRAE and IIAR agree to coordinate promotion of joint grassroots meetings of respective members. Combined annual or biannual meetings and/or seminars will be considered as one way to accomplish this objective.

ADVOCACY

Where mutually beneficial and to the extent allowed by laws and corporate policies, ASHRAE and IIAR agree to work together on common public affairs goals and ideologies. During annual liaison meetings, public affairs strategies will be discussed, and common goals will be identified.

ASHRAE and IIAR agree also to promote the other organization's events, publications, and other activities.

PUBLICATIONS

Recognizing that electronic publications are a primary means of disseminating new technologies, trends, and practices, ASHRAE and IIAR agree to:

- Provide at least one complimentary subscription, via email, of the primary membership online periodical to be sent to the email addresses designated by the other organization.
- When mutually beneficial, provide interorganizational sales promotion of materials, publications, and training offered by the other organization, typically by linking to the other organizations website, but also via individual promotional emails or social media posts.
- Explore mutually beneficial ways to translate publications, if applicable, for member benefit.

EDUCATION

As leading providers of conventional and online educational services and in recognition of the vital role professional development has for our respective members, ASHRAE and IIAR agree to:

- Cross-market educational offerings at the regional, national, and international levels.

- Explore opportunities to co-develop new courses or other training programs that take advantage of overlapping and complimentary expertise between ASHRAE and IIAR.
- Discuss ways that certifications programs can be jointly developed or promoted.

TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES COORDINATION

ASHRAE and IIAR agree to foster technical cooperation in areas of common interest by:

- Encouraging members in each organization to participate on technical committees and task forces.
- Providing opportunities to participate in and comment on proposed standards, guidelines, policies, and position statements developed on technical subjects as they relate to buildings and community developments.
- Establishing liaison representatives to key technical committees where mutually beneficial to do so.

RESEARCH

Recognizing the importance research plays in accelerating the transformation to a more sustainable built environment, ASHRAE and IIAR agree to:

- Promote research in areas where research results will add to the body of knowledge in industrial and commercial refrigeration design, efficiency, application and safety;
- Disseminate research results quickly, focusing on high-impact findings; and,
- Identify opportunities for research funding from other sources.

COPYRIGHT PROTECTIONS

Copyrighted material produced by each organization will be subject to the following terms and conditions.

For IIAR:

- (i) IIAR is the copyright owner of its Standards, publications, and educational material. Therefore, these materials are copyright-protected materials; and shall not, in whole or in part, be reproduced, copied, or disseminated; or otherwise utilized without the prior written consent of IIAR.
- (ii) All restrictions apply in regards of copyright laws and regulations, in the United States of America and Internationally. Therefore, providing access to IIAR copyrighted material to ASHRAE does not yield to any copyright assignment or license.
- (iii) If utilized by ASHRAE, every sheet of published copyrighted material must be stamped with the following legend: *"This document has been provided by IIAR for exclusive use of ASHRAE. It shall not be copied or distributed by other means to other parties without the written permission of IIAR."*

- (iv) If copyright infringement occurs, resolution will be pursued in the United States, and is bound to U.S. law and U.S. courts.

For ASHRAE:

- (i) ASHRAE is the copyright owner of its technical publications and educational material. Therefore, these materials are copyright-protected materials; and shall not, in whole or in part, be reproduced, copied, or disseminated; or otherwise utilized without the prior written consent of ASHRAE.
- (ii) All restrictions apply in regards of copyright laws and regulations, in the United States and internationally. Therefore, providing access to ASHRAE copyrighted material does not yield to any copyright assignment or license.
- (iii) If utilized by IIAR, every sheet of published copyrighted material must be stamped with the following legend: *"This document has been provided by ASHRAE for exclusive use of IIAR. It shall not be copied or distributed by other means to other parties without the written permission of ASHRAE."*

Infringement of copyright protections by either party will terminate this MOU immediately.

TERMINATION

The term of this Memorandum of Understanding shall begin when signed by both parties and may be terminated by either party with 30 days written notice to the other party.

TERM

The term of this Memorandum of Understanding shall begin when signed by both parties and shall terminate at the end of three (3) years unless extended at that time by written agreement.

LEGAL STANDING

This MOU reflects a commitment by ASHRAE and IIAR to continue and enhance their working relationship and individual efforts toward achieving mutual objectives described above. It does not create a binding obligation or agreement between the two organizations, and neither organization has an obligation to negotiate toward or enter into a binding written agreement. In addition, this MOU does not create a partnership, joint venture, fiduciary relationship, or similar relationship between ASHRAE and IIAR. Furthermore, it is understood that this Memorandum of Understanding is conceived as a dynamic document, meant to change as circumstances and priorities warrant. It may be modified or amended by written agreement between both organizations.

FOR ASHRAE

Bill McQuade, 2025-26 Society President
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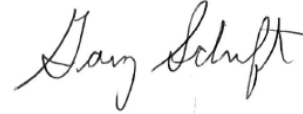


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July 28, 2025
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FOR IIAR

Gary Schrift, President
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