



# EXCELLENCE IN PROPERTY



**RICS**

the mark of  
property  
professionalism  
worldwide

**Europe**

# GLOBAL REACH

## What is RICS

### Advancing standards in land, property and construction

RICS is the world's leading qualification when it comes to professional standards in land, property and construction.

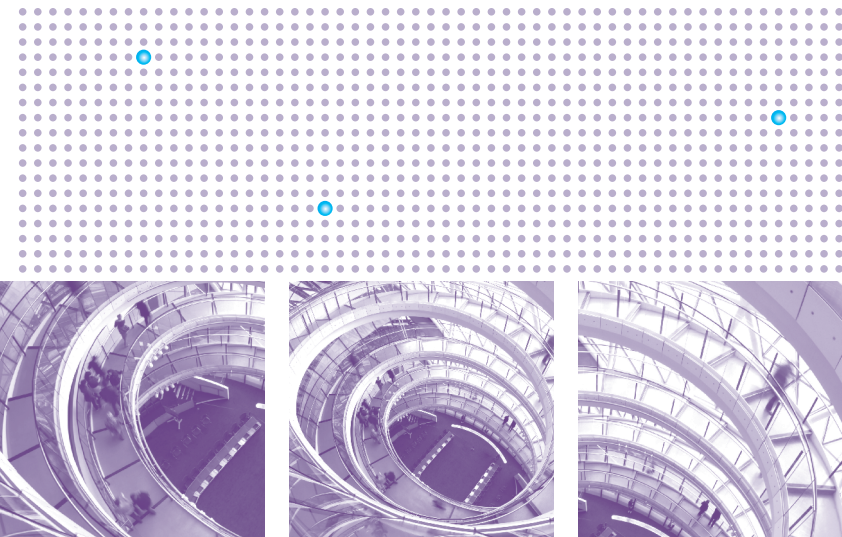
In a world where more and more people, governments, banks and commercial organisations demand greater certainty of professional standards and ethics, attaining RICS status is the recognised mark of property professionalism.

Over 100,000 property professionals working in the major established and emerging economies of the world have already recognised the importance of securing RICS status by becoming members.

RICS is an independent professional body originally established in the UK by Royal Charter. Since 1868, RICS has been committed to setting and upholding the highest standards of excellence and integrity – providing impartial, authoritative advice on key issues affecting businesses and society. RICS is a regulator of both its individual members and firms, enabling it to maintain the highest standards and providing the basis for unparalleled client confidence in the sector.

*“In times of global political imponderables and economic upheavals it is reassuring, in property matters, that one can rely on the members of a professional body which has embodied the best professional, ethical and client-orientated conduct for nearly 150 years. The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors stands for stability in the face of change and for local expertise worldwide.”*

*Martin J. Brühl FRICS, RICS Vice President,  
Cushman & Wakefield, Germany*



## TO SUM IT UP

### RICS in figures

- Over **100,000** RICS qualified members in **100** countries
- More than **80,000** RICS trainees and students
- Global head office in London, a further **6** regional offices in Brussels, Dubai, Hong Kong, New Delhi, New York and Sydney
- **564** RICS accredited courses, **40** in continental Europe
- A range of over **200** diverse professions amongst our members
- **500** research and policy papers published annually



# RAPID GROWTH

## RICS in Europe

Established in Brussels in 1993, RICS Europe has regional offices as well as National Groups across continental Europe. Growth has been rapid throughout; from Moscow to Madrid, Stockholm to Rome and at most points in between, RICS has been planting the flag for professionalism in property.

### Overview of RICS Europe as at January 2012

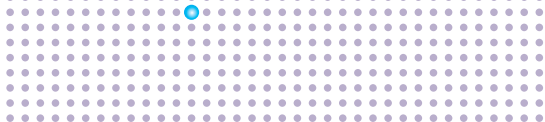
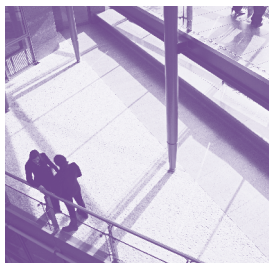
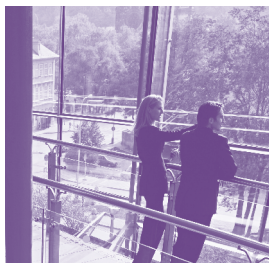
- 5,342 qualified members - as recognised by the title MRICS (Member of RICS) or FRICS (Fellow of RICS)
- 1,426 RICS trainees - potential members who are preparing for their Final Assessment
- 4,683 RICS students - those studying an RICS accredited course

### The aims of RICS

- provide independent advice on property and built environment issues
- maintain the highest educational and professional standards
- raise the status of the chartered surveying profession
- regulate the profession through a code of conduct.

*“As a truly global organization, RICS is becoming increasingly acknowledged in the real estate industry in Central & Eastern Europe. Numbers show that the Russian organization has grown rapidly and is gaining importance in bringing its well established standards and professional guidance to the local market. This role is particularly important in the emerging markets which are developing strongly and are establishing industry practices and regulations that will define the decades ahead.”*

*Laszlo Vicsacsan MRICS, Associate, Head of Department, Development Consultancy, Cushman & Wakefield, Moscow*



## WHAT'S IN A NAME

### Who our members are

RICS members are active in a broad range of property-related activities. They can be academics, valuers, building surveyors, architects, engineers, commercial property agents, corporate property managers, cost consultants, environment experts, facilities managers, bankers and finance & investment professionals, land surveyors, researchers, real estate lawyers, lettings managers, planning & development managers, project managers, property asset managers, quantity surveyors, residential property agents, sales & marketing directors, tax advisors, urban planners, etc.



# ASSETS & BENEFITS

## Why join

### By joining RICS, members:

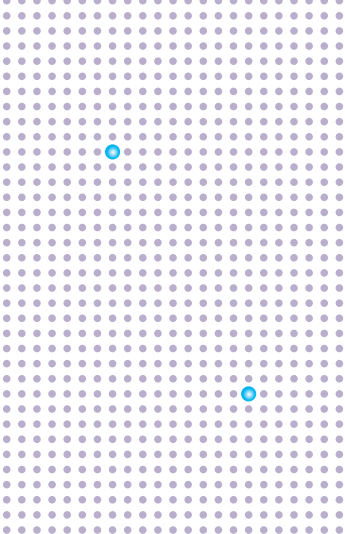
- acquire a globally recognised qualification (MRICS and FRICS)
- increase career opportunities and earning potential
- join an international network of property professionals
- follow a code of conduct and apply practices recognised by the public
- benefit from lifelong learning
- earn clients' confidence



*“I believe that RICS adds value to the Finnish property market by increasing the level of professionalism and transparency, thereby further increasing the visibility and recognition of Finland internationally. For professionals themselves, the main motivation for qualification is the ability to officially demonstrate that they comply with the highest technical, professional and ethical standards. For their clients, an RICS qualification is an assurance of quality and professionalism in the services they deliver.”*

*Hanna Kaleva FRICS, Chairman RICS Finland, Managing Director,  
KTI Property Information Ltd, Finland*





*“Achieving recognition from clients and peers, while permanently improving your professional horizons and competencies are natural objectives for any property professional. Today, these targets are realised through RICS standards and best practices developed by its members throughout the world and facilitated by years of experience accrued in a diverse range of property activities and sectors.”*

*Radu Boitan MRICS MSc, Chairman RICS Romania,  
National Director, Jones Lang LaSalle Services SRL, Romania*


## THE PATH TO RICS

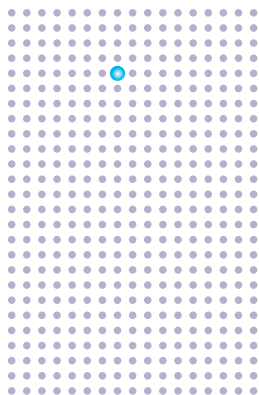
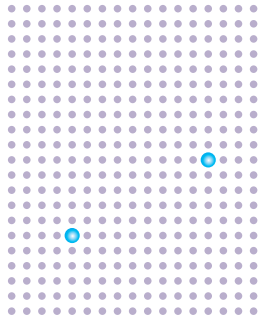
### How to join

RICS welcomes members from diverse backgrounds and has developed a number of routes to membership to enable individuals - from younger graduates to senior professionals with several years of relevant experience - to gain RICS membership. The appropriate route to RICS membership will depend upon your academic and professional qualifications and relevant experience.

To join RICS in continental Europe, and find out which route to membership you may be eligible for, please complete the RICS CV, available at [www.ricseurope.eu/cv](http://www.ricseurope.eu/cv), and forward it to your National Group contact ([www.ricseurope.eu/contacts](http://www.ricseurope.eu/contacts)).

Our staff will then personally guide you on how to proceed on your path to RICS membership (MRICS).





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