The IUCr is an International Scientific Union adhering to the <u>International Council for Science (ICSU)</u>. Its objectives are to promote international cooperation in crystallography and to contribute to all aspects of crystallography, to promote international publication of crystallographic research, to facilitate standardization of methods, units, nomenclatures and symbols, and to form a focus for the relations of crystallography to other sciences.

The IUCr fulfils these objectives by publishing primary scientific journals (through **Crystallography Journals Online**), the *International Tables for Crystallography* and the *IUCr Newsletter*, maintaining the World Directory of Crystallographers, awarding the Ewald Prize, and organizing the triennial Congress and General Assembly.

Additionally, the IUCr seeks to enhance the stature of crystallography, help build capacity in developing regions of the world, and further public understanding of science in general and crystallography in particular. To the extent possible, the IUCr facilitates the attendance of young scientists at scientific meetings and organizes OpenLabs, crystal growing competitions and other educational activities. In 2017, the IUCr Associates Programme was launched to help fund these outreach efforts. A summary of IUCr activities and future plans will be presented.

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