

LEF Communications Secretary Report to 2011 AGM

Membership

At present, the LEF mailing list has 418 members. Since the last report (September 2010), 98 new members have signed up (see Table 1).

Year	Members	Increase
2002	64	/
2003	75	11
2004	98	23
2005	121	23
2006	147	26
2007	183	36
2008	213	30
2009	254	41
2010	320	66
2011	418	98

Table 1: Members per year

New members can sign up by completing a membership form (<http://uklef.net/members.html>). Membership records have been kept since 2002 and include institutional details and research interests. These records were last updated in August 2011. Membership is coordinated by Sara Shaw since May 2011.

Members per country

Of the 418 members, 225 are based in the UK, 40 in the US and the remaining 153 are based in 39 different countries, primarily in mainland Europe (see Table 2).

Country	No of members	Country	No of members
Australia	13	Malta	1
Austria	1	Mexico	2
Belgium	11	Nepal	1
Brazil	2	Netherlands	7
Canada	21	New Zealand	4
China	1	Norway	2
Columbia	1	Pakistan	2
Cyprus	1	Poland	1
Denmark	5	Portugal	1
Ethiopia	1	South Africa	3
Finland	6	Spain	15
France	3	Sweden	9
Germany	5	Switzerland	4
Ghana	1	Taiwan	1
Greece	2	Thailand	1
Hong Kong	1	Turkey	1
Iran	1	Uganda	1
Ireland	2	UK	225
Israel	2	Ukraine	1
Italy	1	United Arab Emirates	4
Japan	9	USA	40
Luxembourg	2		

Table 2: LEF members by country, 8 August 2011.

Mailinglist

The ling-ethnog email list continues to serve as the principal means of communication for LEF and is used to circulate information about LEF events and items of potential interest to members such as conference announcements, relevant publications and jobs. The list is hosted by Jiscmail, the academic mailing list service.

Online presence

In addition to a new (and easier) URL: <http://www.uklef.net>, a Twitter account was set up (<http://twitter.com/uklef>) and embedded on the homepage. At present, LEF has 81 followers.

Tom Van Hout, 8 August 2011.