

**Discounted membership fees available / Tarifs réduits pour l'adhésion à la Societas Liturgica / Ermäßigte Mitgliedsbeiträge**

**DISCOUNTED MEMBERSHIP FEES AVAILABLE**

The Council of Societas Liturgica has introduced a new policy with effect from 1 January 2025 to offer discounted membership fees to members from developing countries. Please read the criteria below and contact the secretariat to receive the discount code.

**Criteria to qualify for reduced rate membership.**

Developing countries are countries whose standards of living, income, economic and industrial development remain more or less below average. According to the International Monetary Fund there are 152 countries in this category. See <https://www.worlddata.info/developing-countries.php>

The Research4Life platform identifies two levels of developing countries which are allowed open access to academic publications by most international publishers due to their developing country status. See <https://www.research4life.org/access/eligibility/>

This proposal goes further than Research4Life and suggests recognising the remaining developing countries as areas also worthy of some small reduction in membership fees.

For the purposes of membership of *Societas Liturgica* to academics, theologians and liturgists working in these developing countries membership rates will be reduced as follows:

<u>Country ranking</u>	<u>Discount level over standard membership</u>
• Group A (least developed per Research4Life)	80% discount
• Group B (second grouping per Research4Life)	50% discount
• Remaining Developing Countries	20% discount

It is part of the aims of *Societas Liturgica* to support and encourage all students and practitioners of liturgy wherever they reside. Every member has access to all the benefits of membership regardless of the membership fee paid.