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## How do you join the SOA ?

If you would like to join the SHAPE Officers' Association, please complete an Application for Membership (see SOA website).

The SOA offers you free membership for the first year as it sees itself an extension of SHAPE and wants everyone to feel connected to SHAPE.



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# SHAPE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION



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## The three main goals of the Association are :

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To foster friendships amongst officers (and civilian staff of equivalent rank) currently serving at SHAPE and those who have served at SHAPE;

To keep members informed about SHAPE and the military situation in NATO;

To enable members to support and propagate the mission and the objectives of SHAPE and, more generally, the Alliance—in short, to perpetuate the traditions of SHAPE.

## What can SOA do for you ?

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If you are just arriving at SHAPE, SOA membership can help you become acquainted with your surroundings, with staff members, and with issues you will be working with.

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During your stay, membership will allow you to attend the SOA sponsored events and to make lasting friendships among SOA members.

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If you are about to leave SHAPE and you are not yet a member, SOA membership will help you to stay in touch with SHAPE and with former colleagues, and to be informed about developments and issues affecting SHAPE and the Alliance.

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## SOA Activities

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The SHAPE Officers' Association (SOA) activities includes sponsored events throughout the year, both professional and casual in nature. One highlight of the SOA activities is the annual Symposium held in October that brings SOA members from throughout the Alliance back to SHAPE for academic and social events.



SOA adapts to modern times : 2020 saw the introduction of virtual meetings and presentations (courtesy U.S. Chapter) using Zoom, where SOA members, worldwide, can meet from the cosiness of their armchair. Latest topic was the SACEUR panel on the situation in Ukraine : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=844Gp0e4ftU>

A second highlight is the annual award of scholarships to distinguished high school graduates.

