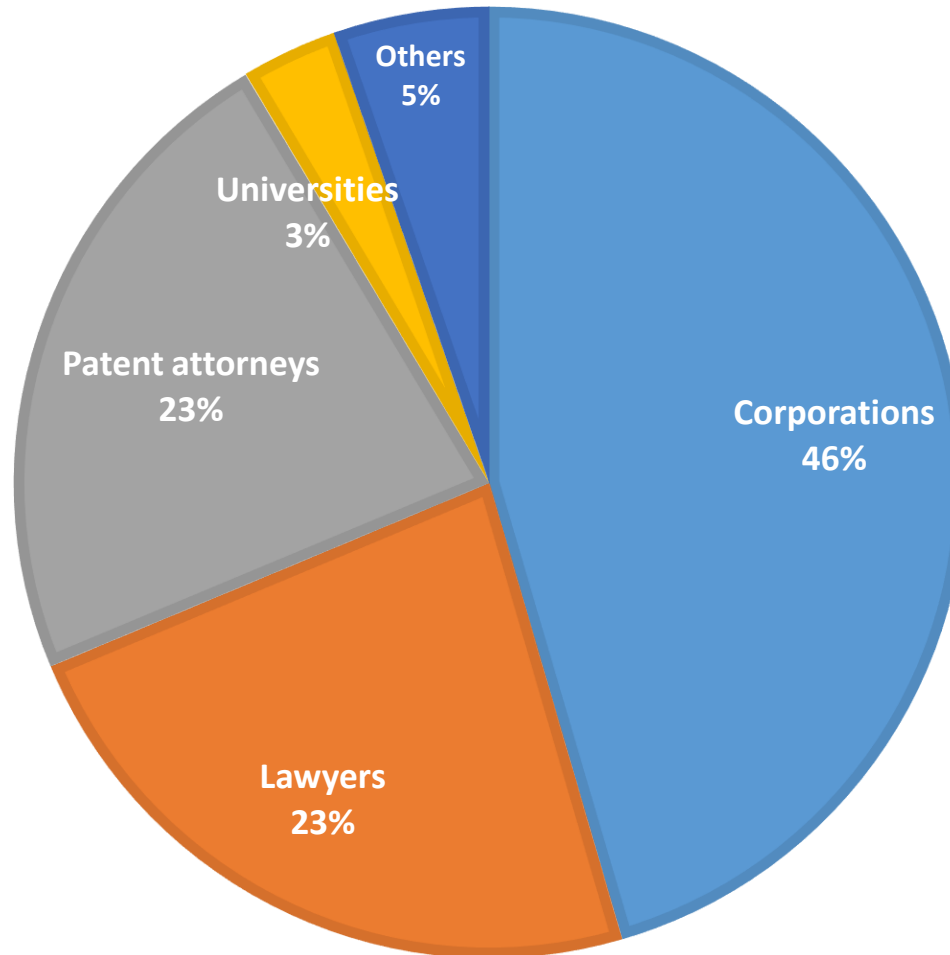




# Membership Structure of LES Japan



## COMPOSITION OF MEMBERS (2021)



Total = 642

■ Corporations ■ Lawyers ■ Patent attorneys ■ Universities ■ Others

# Regular Member



**Any individual**, regardless of the nature of his/her entity -- corporate, private practice firm, IP transaction firm or else -- who applied membership to LES Japan becomes a regular member, if he/she (i) is admitted by LES Japan board meeting and (ii) has paid **one-time admission fee (JP 20,000 Yen) and annual fee (JP 45,000 yen)** (prorated depending the month of admission during the year) .

# Secondary Regular Member



**Second or any following individual of the same entity of a regular member**, who applied membership to LES Japan, becomes a secondary regular member, if he/she has been admitted by LES Japan board meeting. A secondary member shall pay **reduced annual fee (JP 20,000 Yen)**, and **no one-time admission fee** is charged.

In other aspects, **a secondary regular member is equally treated as a regular member**, and **LES Japan pays corresponding annual due to LESI**

# Transfer of Regular Member



**If a regular member retires from or is replaced by another individual in his/her entity, and such another individual wants to be a regular member, such another individual can become a regular member without paying one-time admission fee, if admission is approved by LES Japan board meeting. Also, the annual membership fee which the regular member has paid is effective for such another individual member during the paid year.**

# Payment of Fees



**Fees are only payable by individual members.**

However, **many corporations** which acknowledged its employees to become members of LES Japan often **reimburses the expenses to such employees.**

# Academy Member



LES Japan also provides "Academy member" which is a membership for a university employee whose primary work is not associated with Intellectual Property practice, at a reduce annual fee (JP 20,000 Yen) with payment of one-time admission fee (JP 20,000 Yen). (Note: university employee whose primary work is IP transaction or IP development, etc. are not entitled to be Academy member but should apply for regular membership.)

# Membership Structure



	<u>One-time admission fee (JPY)</u>	<u>Annual fee (JPY)</u>
# <b>Regular Member:</b>	20,000	45,000
# <b>Secondary Regular Member<sup>*)</sup>:</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>20,000</b>
# <b>Academy Member<sup>**)</sup>:</b>	20,000	20,000
# <b>Continuing Member<sup>***)</sup>:</b>	None	20,000
# <b>Replacement<sup>****)</sup>:</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>from next year 45,000 or 20,000</b>

<sup>\*)</sup> Any individual who is the second or subsequent one from the same institution of a regular member

<sup>\*\*)</sup> Any individual who is a person of academia and whose primary work is not associated with IP practice

<sup>\*\*\*)</sup> Any individual who has been a member for LES Japan for 5 years or more and has retired from normal institutional work as well as professional IP work

<sup>\*\*\*\*)</sup> Any individual who replaces a regular or secondary regular member can be a regular or secondary regular member, whichever applicable, without one-time admission fee.



# Benefit to Member's Institution



**Any non-member whose institution has at least one member** (regular, secondary, or academy) **may attend** annual meeting and monthly seminar **at a member registration fee**

- Monthly seminars are held in Tokyo and Osaka, with different topics and schedules (each about 10 times).
- Non-member whose institution has no member may attend at a non-member registration fee (twice the member fee)

Any member and **non-member whose institution has at least one member** (regular, secondary, or academy) **may join any working group** for studying a specific subject.