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The International Forum for the Study of Itch (IFSI) was founded in 2005 and is a multidisciplinary international association of clinical practitioners, researchers and scientists dedicated to improving our understanding and treatment of itch for the benefit of suffering patients worldwide. Our mission is to advance itch-related research and education and to promote treatment and clinical efforts to help alleviate this debilitating symptom.

ORGANIZATION OF THE SOCIETY
The Society is governed by a committee of 12 members. The officers of the committee are the President, the Secretary, the Treasurer and other members including the local organizer of the corresponding World Congress on Itch (WCI). The board members are elected for a period of 2 years at the General Assembly.

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