



International Society for Occupational Science

## Building Bridges and Community: A Strategic Plan for 2022-2027

### Background

This document is the third strategic plan for the International Society for Occupational Science. The first document, entitled “The Way Forward Plan”, was created in 2007. The second document, entitled, “Positioning for the Future: A Vision for 2016-2021”, was created in 2016. More information about previous strategic plans can be found in the “History” section of the International Society for Occupational Science website.

### Vision Statement

By 2027, the International Society for Occupational Science will:

- Be seen as a bridge builder within the international occupational science network
- Have established mechanisms for advancing the vitality and visibility of occupational science
- Be a champion for occupational science’s commitments to inclusion, diversity, and social transformation

### Mission Statement

The mission of the International Society for Occupational Science is to 1) facilitate connections among people and groups who share a commitment to occupation-focused research, education, and practices; 2) encourage engagement with occupational science among people who are new to the discipline; and 3) create opportunities for inclusive and diverse dialogues about the role(s) occupational science can play in meeting societal needs.

### Core Values

- Accessibility and inclusion
- Critical reflexivity
- Collaboration and co-production
- Diversity
- Equity
- Innovation
- Justice and rights
- Pluralism and pluriversality



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### Priorities

- Enhance the sustainability and vitality of the International Society for Occupational Science
- Regularly connect regional occupational science organizations, working groups, and individuals to support collaboration, cooperation, coordination, networking, and exchange
- Increase member engagement with the International Society for Occupational Science's platforms and activities
- Promote critical dialogue that deepens knowledge on issues of importance to the discipline
- Develop partnerships to broaden interdisciplinary awareness of occupational science

### Strategies to Achieve Priorities

- Develop a long-term revenue plan to support the International Society for Occupational Science's operating costs (e.g., website and domain fees, non-profit annual reporting fees, etc.) and new initiatives (e.g., World Occupational Science Conference, informational booth and presentations at interdisciplinary conferences)
- Develop and implement a coordinated social media strategy to enable timely communication with and between the International Society for Occupational Science's members
- Expand the International Society for Occupational Science's Executive Board membership to include an additional position to oversee media and communication strategies
- Explore opportunities for increasing member participation in International Society for Occupational Science activities (e.g., ad hoc committees for strategic action, development of member-driven discussion or mentoring meetings, etc.)
- Explore venues (e.g., interdisciplinary conferences) and opportunities (e.g., existing research collaborations) for developing partnerships to broaden awareness of occupational science