

IKD Member Profile & Report 2020

➤Member organisation:	The Association of British Investigators Limited	
IKD membership since:	1969	
Company Status:	Limited by guarantee. Professional body for all investigators whether private or public sector	

≻Office and Officers

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Date appointed:	2004
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≻Membership

Members:	440	
Directory of Members:	Yes	
Membership Categories:	Full Associate (public sector) Provisional (up to 2 years) Life Member Honorary	Retired Overseas Affiliate (sector services/products) Corporate Consociate



>Membership Criteria/Selection Process

Member has provided evidence of identity:	• Yes	
Member has provided evidence of residential address:	• Yes	
Professional indemnity insurance:	• Yes	3 🗖
If yes, level of cover required:	£250,000)
Registered with national data protection supervisory authority:	• Yes	4 🔲
Criminal check:	• Yes	5 🗖
If yes, link to Policy Statement CLICK HERE		
Evidence of competence/qualifications:	• Yes	
If yes what is minimum requirement:Level 3 Award for Professional	Investigators	
Professional or character references:	• Yes	
If yes how many references are taken: 2		
CV:	• Yes	
Sample Reports as evidence of capabilities:	• Yes	
Financial probity check (monetary judgments)		
Personal:	• Yes	10 🗖
Corporate:	• Yes	11 🔲
Application of membership details circulated among members:	• Yes	
Website checked for ethical and compliance:	• Yes	
Membership application interview:	• Yes	
Membership renewal required:	• Yes	1
If yes renewal period in years: 1		
If yes tick boxes for criteria reviewed:		
Other criteria:		

≻Laws and Bylaws

Code of Ethics:	CLICK HERE
Disqualification:	Yes
Disciplinary procedures:	CLICK HERE

>Licensing

Government License:	No
Regulation proposed:	Yes
Licensing Regulator:	Security Industry Authority
Regulations altered:	N/A
Comments on Regulation:	N/A



>Association Description:

The Association of British Investigators is the longest established organisation representing professional Investigators in the UK with its foundations laid way back in 1913. With the absence of any statutory control of the investigation industry in the UK, The Association recognised the need for self-regulation many years ago and set very high standards to meet the criteria for membership opting for quality rather than quantity. Members are admitted only after stringent vetting. Members must conduct their business in a professional manner, with Professional Indemnity Insurance and by complying with a strict code of ethics with disciplinary procedures in place to monitor any transgressors. Members are also required to provide a Criminal Convictions Certificate no older than 3 years. A Governing Council normally consisting of up to 10 members including the President and the Chairman, oversees the administration of The Association, which is conducted day to day by the Secretariat team from the offices in Elstree. The Governing Council officers are democratically elected by the membership each year at an annual conference. The Association is recognized and supported by The Law Society of England & Wales, The Association is also the only sector accredited association with The Law Society of Scotland and the government body, The Drivers and Vehicle Licensing Agency giving members exclusive access to the vehicle keepers' database electronically in certain circumstances. Private Investigation as an activity is included in the process of regulation under the Private Security Act 2001 but has yet to be implemented.

>Association Activities:

The ABI is currently working on its own GDPR Code of Conduct which it is anticipated will be submitted to the data protection supervisory authority (the ICO) for certification soon.