

# Toastmasters International Reaches Growth Milestones

**The global public speaking and leadership organization has more than 332,000 members and 15,000 clubs**

RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, Calif., Aug. 5, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- [Toastmasters International](#), the global organization devoted to communication and leadership skills development, has grown its membership by 57 percent over the past 10 years. The organization has posted an increase in membership every year since 1994 and now has more than 332,000 members, 15,400 clubs and a presence in 135 countries.

"We're excited that more people than ever before are benefitting from Toastmasters' proven programs," says Mohammed Murad, Toastmasters 2014-2015 International President. "As the organization continues to expand domestically and globally, even more people will have the opportunity to join Toastmasters and improve skills that are vital inside and outside of the workplace."

Highlights of Toastmasters' annual growth include:

- 5.9 percent membership growth
- 4.1 percent new club growth
- Expanded presence in Egypt, Gabon, Macedonia, Myanmar, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Serbia, Turks and Caicos Islands
- More than 28,000 Competent Communicator awards earned by members
- International regions posted the highest rate of growth (11.9 percent)

"Our consistent growth can be attributed to people's desire to become better communicators and leaders," says Toastmasters Chief Executive Officer Daniel Rex. "With initiatives underway that will further enhance members' speaking and leadership development, we look forward to continued expansion in the coming years."

To discuss Toastmasters' growth and the organization's future direction with CEO Daniel Rex, email [pr@toastmasters.org](mailto:pr@toastmasters.org). To view a chart of Toastmasters' membership growth over 25 years, visit <http://www.toastmasters.org/membershipgrowthchart>.

## About Toastmasters International

Toastmasters International is a worldwide nonprofit educational organization that empowers individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. Headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, the organization's membership exceeds 332,000 in more than 15,400 clubs in 135 countries. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped people from diverse backgrounds become more confident speakers, communicators and leaders. For information about local Toastmasters clubs, please visit [www.toastmasters.org](http://www.toastmasters.org). Follow [@Toastmasters](#) on Twitter.

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