

The International Pierre de Coubertin Committee, established in 1975, has individual members in 58 countries and, from Australia to Romania to Senegal, there are 30 national Pierre de Coubertin Committees actively working.

The purpose of the Committee is to study, and to make known and understood, the work of Pierre de Coubertin and to assure its dissemination throughout the world. The Committee is committed to the search for solutions to today's problems and to promoting and encouraging the study of Pierre de Coubertin's humanism that was an essential part of his philosophy. His teaching had moral, cultural and educational aspects that contributed to the principals from which the Olympic Ideals emerged. The Committee is bound to honour and recognize athletes, universities, organizations and others whose achievements and activities best serve the ideals of Pierre de Coubertin, and to collaborate with national and international bodies that have undertaken the task of furthering the Olympic Ideals and Spirit and honouring the heritage of Pierre de Coubertin.

A most important aspect of the IPCC's work is the foundation of a worldwide network of Coubertin High Schools of which there are currently 50 in 17 countries with plans for many more in the offing . To further the goal of promoting Coubertin's educational ideals, the IPCC organises every two years the "International Coubertin Youth Forums" in which 150 students from 15 schools in different countries come together to compete in sports and arts events, and a written essay contest on Olympism for the Pierre de Coubertin Award.

The World Olympians Association has decided to honour the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee with the Osaka Award. In making this Award, the World Olympians Association wishes to draw attention to the valuable activities of the IPCC and to encourage them to continue their important work. The Award is accepted by IPCC President Professor Norbert Müller.