



## **10 Key Points About The Organisers: The International Federation of Aromatherapists (IFA)**

- 1) The IFA is the first and oldest governing body for aromatherapy in the UK, established in 1985.
- 2) The IFA is the first single discipline body for aromatherapy to have its register approved by the Professional Standards Authority (PSA) a body accountable to Parliament.
- 3) The IFA was the first aromatherapy governing body to receive charity status in 1986, for the benefit of the public.
- 4) The IFA pioneered aromatherapy in the NHS, which is why aromatherapy is as accepted by the medical profession, as it is today.
- 5) The IFA is extensively involved in supporting other charities, to introduce aromatherapy as part of their rehabilitation and care programmes and have helped over 30 charities in the past decade.
- 6) The IFA has the highest level of education and training of any aromatherapy governing body and introduced quality assurance and externally invigilated examinations in 1989. Our early tutors and experts, who created and informed our curriculum, having been taught by some of the most influential names within the field and pioneers of Aromatherapy.
- 7) The IFA has worked with various government health committees to improve the practice of aromatherapy across the world.
- 8) The IFA is the governing body of choice for 5,000 Chinese and Japanese aromatherapists and 110 international centres who deliver our curriculum.
- 9) The IFA's journal, the Aromatherapy Times, in circulation since 1986, is registered with the British Library.
- 10) The IFA is the first aromatherapy governing body to receive recognition for its high standard of training by city councils and London boroughs for licensing exemptions and is recommended by the Guardian.