

IAIA13 Training Course #9

QUALITY ASSURANCE IN EIA: GUIDE AND REVIEW

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100 % above 7

"Threshold" for recommending the course again is 80%

Q1. List 2 or 3 worthwhile things you learned and did during the course.	Q2. Identify 2 or 3 things which helped you to work effectively at this course.	Q3. List 2 or 3 things which kept you from being more effective.	Q4. Rate your overall satisfaction with the course by circling the appropriate number. (Very dissatisfied 0, very satisfied 10)	Comment	Q5. Rate the following aspects of the course putting an X in the appropriate column. (Excellent 1, Very good 2, Good 3, Poor 4, Very poor 5)					Q6. Other comments or suggestions with regard to the course, the venue, accommodations or facilities.
					Trainer(s)'s knowledge of the subject.	Trainer(s)'s teaching skills and methods.	Course materials.	Practical exercises.	Time available for content of the course.	
main things of EIA report. Applicability of examples in own work. How process stats.	Group work. Trainers. Materials.		10		1	1	1	1	1	
Quick thinking, teamwork, reviewing methods.	The review checklist. Enthusiasm of the trainers. Experience from fellow trainees.	The case study was excellent, but some more time would be nice.	10	The trainers were very good and the presented materials will be very useful in my work.	1	2	1	2	3	The facility was very cold sometimes. So there is work to be done regarding the temperature.
I have learnt the steps involved in EIA and have to review EIA report.	What actually made me to work effectively in this course is the way the teachers were presented and the explanation was fine.	None.	10	The confidence will help me improve my skills in the area of Impact Assessment.	2	2	2	2	2	The venue was very good and even the facilities. I would suggest that next time TOR should also be taught and reviewed.
Going through the EIA review in a group setting. Exchange ideas, experience, good practice with other practitioners.	The course material that was provided. The high level of interaction among attendees and with the presenters.	I would have liked to have more time in the course to look at least one more case study.	9		1	2	2	1	2	A venue with windows would be nice.
Use of practical tools in EIA review. Practical approaches to reviewing EA reports. Exercise assessment on how to review an EIA report very educative.	Interactive session, made the course effective. Hands on exercises and practical examples very effective.	None that I can think of.	9		1	2	1	1	2	more time should be given for the exercises since this is very important for a course of this nature. Practice makes one not only perfect but more confident at tones way of providing QA in EIA reports.
Practical tools and approaches to EIA review. Exercise an actual review.	Project perspective and realistic discussions as opposed to academics are rare and much appreciated.	Nothing comes to mind.	9	Excellent job! Would be great to spend more time on other case studies. However it is understandable that it is impossible to cover all.	1	1	1	1	2	

The importance of (...) phase. Preparing material for a presentation during course in a short time.	Good mix of instructor info day 1 and practical group work in day 2! Opportunity to ask questions at any time.			Great mix of instruction from knowledgeable person with practical group talk.	1	1	2	2	2	Very much enjoyed course.
Broke down EIA into essential basic elements. Learned about different practices and shared challenges from a variety of organizations. Learned some major pitfalls and opportunities for success in EIA process.	Concrete, specific and factual examples. Good and clear flow charts.	Could have used some examples of completed EIA reviews. Could have used a little instruction on providing feedback, but time was short.		Very good considering the short time.	1	2	2	1	3	Would definitely recommend (and will to colleagues).
How to evaluate the quality EIA report. Tools for a (...) a good EIA.	Interactively. Good teaching materials. Nice instructors.	None.		The course went very well actually I get what I expected and a lot more.	1	1	1	2	3	The course generally was great. But next time it should consider discussing the quality of identifying the impacts and how they should be discussed and the methodology of the impact identification.
Quality assurance is key in environmental impact assessment. The EIA review exercise is critical and needs to be (...) back t work.	The EIA review checklist is quite detailed and invokes scrutiny of the EIA report. The handouts/(...) was quite informative.	Cold (...) room.		The trainers/facilitators are quite knowledgeable about EIA on aspects of Quality Assurance that could help a seamless and exhaustive EIA process.	1	1	2	2	2	Other than the cold in the training rooms, the rooms had the (...) for the training.
I learnt how to review EIA projects more competently. I also learnt the importance of public participation and its importance in EIA.	The trainers are very knowledgeable of the subject. Group work and discussion.	Time constraint (two-days are not enough).		The course was thoroughly instructed and very interactive.	1	2	2	3	3	If possible the use of economic instruments in EIA could be incorporated into this course. The course could be run/instructed for 3-days.
Quality of a good EIA. How to assess an EIA what look out for.	The course study examples. The practical review in day 2.	Time for the practical session.			2	1	2	2	3	The course was generally very well handled. Quite interactive and informative. The venue and facilities were perfect too.
Mode of course delivery. Group work. Networking.	Good learning environment. Charisma of the trainers.	None.			1	2	2	1	2	The venue do not have adequate chairs on the first day. The course is very good for EIA practitioners. Impacts predictions methods and analysis needs to be emphasized.
How to synchronize impact assessment with project life cycle. A good TOR is the base of a good EIA. Group work on EIA review.	Interactive nature of the course. Course work CD's.			I was pretty satisfied with the course, it was worth the journey for me and I have definitely got the information and knowledge I need.	1	1	1	2	3	Generally, very satisfactory.
Using case study template. Applying examples to content.	Group work. Template.	First day was somewhat abstract. First day too much material... rushed. Would loved to critically evaluate a bad ToR.		Great course! Interesting to put EIA in such a global context. Well made template. I will definitely use it.	1	1	1	1	2	The windowless room left something to be desired. Overall great trainers and great course. Would definitely recommend it.

Discussion on EIA trend in quality and env. Legal interesting importance of good TORs to shape quality EIA.	The practical methodology and template for EIA review very useful.	Day 1 is very heavy, maybe options to break up with a practical exercise mid way.	8		1	2	1	2	2	Would be interesting to have more case studies from other geographical regions. IAIA largely excludes good examples from Latin America.
Bad ideas lean to inadequate TORs and also lead to weak EIAs. Consideration of project alternatives are very important across board for EIAs.	Course schedule and tea breaks were consistent. Seating arrangements were very important creating an all inclusive ambience. Provision of water.	None.	8		1	1	2	2	3	More time can be allocated for review of case studies.
Learned to do a detailed review of EIA reports. I learnt of the review of scoping reports and all the tools necessary for the above mentioned review.	Interactive nature of the course. Good case studies. The simplicity of the course material.	The time of the practical exercise was a bit short.	8	The course has actually provided hands on tools to use for EIA quality control. Which can be easily adapted on a case by case basis.	1	1	1	1	2	The course was quiet interactive, easily to understand and provides tools for quality assurance, but if the time was added, the interactions would have been perfect. All the same, I am so satisfied as I am eager to make use of the templates.
Use of checklist template. EIA practice is different countries.	Excellent presentation. Handouts too.	Broad audience meant that was less specific to my area of work.	8		1	1	2	3	2	Smaller groups for group work.
The use of review form. The external review peer system and leading consultants. The set up of registration.	Course materials provided in advance. Clear outline of the training course.		8	Enable us to know the latest trend of quality assurance and the tools.	1	2	2	3	3	No free Wi-Fi provided at the venue. Not enough high taste for lunch time. Food is good.
Better knowledge of EIA report review. Better was to review an EIA report.	Different people from different organizations came together to share knowledge. The way in which the course was organized.		7	The course was well articulated, and effective.	2	2	2	1	3	
The work issue = cooperative! Professional references and quality cited in practice.	More examples (...) from various case studies referring specific issues.	Less time spend in (...) case study. More emphasis in significance.	7	Good course.	1	3	3	4	3	The exercise was too long.
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AVERAGE										
Q4. (Very dissatisfied 0, very satisfied 10)			8.64							
Q5. Detailed (Excellent 1, Very good 2, Good 3, Poor 4, Very poor)					1.14	1.55	1.65	1.82	2.41	
Q5. General average			1.71							