Impact Assessment & Project Appraisal Best Paper

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Outstanding Service to IAIA

Carys Jones

The IAIA 2009 Outstanding Service Award is offered to Dr. Carys Jones in recognition of and appreciation for her total commitment to IAPA (serving as co-editor from 2001-2009), to this organization, to its leadership and to its members.

IAIA HQ and the Board of Directors have responsibility for selecting and presenting the Outstanding Service to IAIA Award which recognizes one or a small number of key individuals within IAIA who have provided exceptional service to IAIA as an organization over a number of years.

Special Appreciation to

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Forward nominations for 2010 awards to
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Nominations should be submitted individually and confidentially.

2009 Awards Presentations

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IAIA Global Environmental Award

The Carter Center

IAIA presents the 2009 Global Environment Award to the Carter Center for its outstanding, sustained and unique contribution to health and human well-being, especially in regard to its work with the River Blindness Program and other health-related programs. IAIA recognizes the Center’s role as a leader in the fight against river blindness in Africa and the Americas and commends the Center for its use of partnerships at the local, regional and international level to combat river blindness.

The IAIA Global Environment Award is awarded to a leading individual or Institution that has made a substantial contribution to the practice of environmental assessment, management, or policy at a global scale, or has otherwise made a major contribution to promoting environmental sustainability or environmental justice.

Rose-Hulman Awards

Larry Canter

IAIA presents a 2009 Rose-Hulman Award to Dr. Larry Canter for his sustained and significant contributions to cumulative impacts and EIA methodology both regionally and internationally. IAIA recognizes his work with the US Army Corp of Engineers and the US CEQ in developing the first EIA parameters and his authorship of the first systematic text on conducting EIA, the components of which continue to remain the standard around the world. Throughout his career, Dr. Canter has been constant in his dedication to improving and promoting impact assessment around the world, whether through his contributions to the ongoing education of EIA practitioners and agencies, through the numerous publications which have advanced EIA worldwide, or through his generous support of IAIA and its annual conferences.

The Rose-Hulman Award is awarded to a past or present member of IAIA for major contributions to the field of impact assessment over a sustained period.

William A. Ross

IAIA presents a 2009 Rose-Hulman Award to Dr. William (Bill) Ross in honor of his continuous and significant contributions to EIA teaching and practice in Canada and abroad. Throughout his career, Dr. Ross has been constant in his dedication to improving and promoting impact assessment around the world, whether through his contributions to the ongoing education of EIA practitioners and agencies, through his numerous EIA advisory and investigative roles, or through his generous support of IAIA and its annual conferences.

Institutional Award

Capacity Development and Linkages for Environmental Assessment in Africa (CLEAA)

Capacity Development and Linkages for Environmental Assessment in Africa (CLEAA) has been selected for this honor because of its pioneering work in creating a capacity building program that funds and trains young EIA professionals. This Professional Development Fellows program strengthens not only the capacity of individual professionals, but also strengthens the broader regional and international EIA networks. Program fellows participate in a professional EIA team and applied training for two to six months to gain practical EIA experience in specialized fields of their own choosing. The fellowships cover travel, lodging, meals, and other associated expenses during this period. IAIA recognizes the role and support of USAID, the Regional Economic Development Services Office for East and Southern Africa (REDSO/ESA), Environmentally Sound Design and Management Capacity Building for Partners and Programs in Africa (ENCAP), the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), and the Southern African Institute for Environmental Assessment (SAIEA) in developing and administering this successful program.

The Institutional Award is presented to a national or international organization for contribution to impact assessment, such as a significant contribution to the practice of impact assessment, setting regulatory standards, or other environment-related activity deserving recognition.

Regional Award

Environmental Protection Agency of Ghana

The Environmental Protection Agency-Ghana has been selected for this honor because of its major contributions to the regional development of EIA, through supporting regional EIA networks and creating a workable and efficient EIA system in Ghana. IAIA also recognizes EPA-Ghana for its continuous and generous support of IAIA. EPA-Ghana has worked closely with IAIA over the years, including leading in the establishment of the IAIA-Ghana Affiliate in 1997, presenting SEA training courses in conjunction with IAIA annual conferences, and regularly sponsoring its staff to attend these conferences. EPA-Ghana has been instrumental in securing Ghana as the host of IAIA09 and organizing the conference.

The Regional Award is awarded to a person or organization that has made a substantial contribution to the field of impact assessment and/or has taken a leadership role in promoting best practice in impact assessment within the general world region of the location of the conference for the year.