

# Networking activities and social events

## WELCOME RECEPTION

The IAIA14 welcome reception is an excellent opportunity to network, meet old friends and colleagues, and make new ones to get your conference off to a great start.

**Pending sponsorship.**  
**Tuesday, 8 April**  
**Pre-registration is required.**

## BANQUET

The week's work is nearly over, and the banquet is a cornerstone of the annual conference. Beyond the meal, which features local cuisine, the evening features local color and music to round off the night. Delegates are invited to relax and exchange conference experiences with old colleagues and new acquaintances, or take this last opportunity to meet someone you might not have had a chance to see during the week.

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**Thursday, 10 April**  
**Price: \$50**  
**Pre-registration is required.**

## BOOK SHARE

Please bring one or two of your favorite environmental reference books, new or recycled, as a contribution to the book share table. The books are available on a first-come, first-served basis to delegates who might not readily find such books in their own locales.

## DINE OUTS

The tradition of Dine Outs is back for IAIA14. Share an evening sampling some of the region's signature food at a "pay your own way" dinner. Being such a long country stretched over a variety of landscapes, Chile has a vast range of food and drink to offer. One of the highlights of Chilean cuisine is its diversity of seafood due to its 4,270 km / 2,647 miles of coastline. Another thing not to be missed while in Chile is its high quality red wine. A local host is organizing the Dine Outs and will help you experience the best of the local cuisine in Viña del Mar and surrounds. To join, sign up on the forms that will be available in the registration area. Dine Outs are a great opportunity to meet new people.

## JOBS BULLETIN BOARD

A bulletin board specifically designated for job advertisements will be available in the exhibition area. If you are looking for a job or if your company has jobs to post, bring along the announcement! Also see Career Central (<http://www.iaia.org/careercentral/>) before and after the conference for the latest job openings.

## ON TWITTER?

Tweet about IAIA14 before, during, and after the conference using **#IAIA14**.

## BUFFET OF IDEAS

IAIA14 continues a simple methodology introduced at IAIA09 for hosting conversation about issues of interest and concern.

The "Buffet of Ideas" is an informal networking session that provides participants the opportunity to create their own workshops in small groups over lunch.

This meeting method allows yet another opportunity for participants to network, sharing ideas on topics of interest and connecting with colleagues who have similar interests, but you might not meet during formal sessions.

At lunch on Tuesday, select tables will be labeled with discussion topics. Find a table with a topic you would like to discuss and have a seat. Lunch is provided, and discussion flows.

Delegates are encouraged to contribute topic ideas; just send a two-to-five word title (e.g., "My Worst SEA Ever" or "Dealing with Difficult Clients") to [jen@iaia.org](mailto:jen@iaia.org) by 15 February.

