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IMPACT ASSESSMENT: RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

- Registration materials
- Abstract submission deadline: 30 November 2015



What did delegates say was the best aspect of IAIA15?

- "Getting inspired again by the more off-route topics that raise fundamental questions on why IA is there in the first place."
- "Top-level international IA expertise."
- "For me, personally, it is the fact that the people who actually "wrote the books," the guidelines, the best practices, those who have contributed in shaping the industry, are there and very accessible. The conference itself is the definition of cross and interdisciplinary! This is where it is one of a kind."
- "The diversity of work presented, the sharing of real life experiences, and the networking."

Why attend IAIA16?

IS THIS YOUR 1ST, 5TH, OR 36TH IAIA CONFERENCE?

What an opportunity! Where else can you gather to hear perspectives in impact assessment from 80+ nations—all in one place?

Be prepared for some out-of-the-box thinking, applying solutions developed across the world to your little corner of it. Because impact assessment is such a dynamic field, you are sure to learn something new every year.

WHO PARTICIPATES IN IAIA CONFERENCES?

One of the strengths of IAIA conferences is its diversity in participants from different sectors. IAIA conferences draw people from consultancies, government, industry, academia, research institutes, donor agencies, development banks, and NGOs.

HOW WILL YOU BENEFIT?

- Networking: expand and maintain contacts with your peers, clients, and those who conduct, evaluate and require IAs.
- Education: explore current best practices, recent tools, and techniques.
- **Options:** choose from numerous and diverse training courses, theme forums, technical visits, and over 100 sessions ranging from interdisciplinary approaches to topic-specific workshops.
- Inspiration: attend and participate in stimulating and thought-provoking discussions.
- Innovation: learn about cutting-edge IA theory and practice from around the world.
- Dissemination: present your work and receive international feedback.
- Enjoyment: participate in one or more of many social events in a unique and beautiful city.

WHY ARE IAIA CONFERENCES SPECIAL?

- IAIA is the only international, interdisciplinary conference dedicated to the art and science of impact assessment ... the only one.
- Exclusive mix of high-level speakers representing many areas of expertise and interest.
- A very participatory conference: numerous in-depth workshops, roundtables, Q&A sessions, forums, and concurrent
 sessions mean you can participate actively and present your work and ideas.
- · Access to training, papers, publications, tools, techniques, and case studies.

ONGOING BENEFITS

If you pay the non-member conference rate, you automatically receive **one year of IAIA membership**! That includes:

- Electronic subscription to IAIA's quarterly journal, Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal (IAPA), plus IAIA's
 monthly e-news packed with the latest IAIA news.
- Networking tools, including a searchable membership directory and access to IAIAConnect, IAIA's professional networking, communications, and collaboration tool—so international expertise is only a click away.
- · Valuable publications and reference materials.
- Free job postings at Career Central (http://www.iaia.org/careercentral/).
- And more!

ABOUT IAIA

The **International Association for Impact Assessment** was organized in 1980 to bring together researchers, practitioners and users of various types of impact assessment from all over the world. IAIA members reside in over 120 countries. IAIA activities are carried out regionally and locally through its network of Affiliates and Branches.

IAIA's Vision: IAIA is the leading global network on best practice in the use of impact assessment for informed decision making regarding policies, programs, plans, and projects.

IAIA's Mission: IAIA provides the international forum for advancing innovation and communication of best practice in all forms of impact assessment to further the development of local, regional, and global capacity in impact assessment.

IAIA's Values: IAIA promotes the application of integrated and participatory approaches to impact assessment, conducted to the highest professional standards.

IAIA believes the assessment of the environmental, social, economic, cultural and health implications of proposals to be a critical contribution to sound decision-making processes, and to equitable and sustainable development.

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IMPACT ASSESSMENT: RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY

"Resilience" is emerging as one of the most important global keywords in the 21st Century. The word has gained popularity in various fields, such as environmental impact assessment, social and health impact assessment, international development, and climate change, as well as natural and man-made disasters.

The experience of the severe earthquake and nuclear accident in 2011 emphasized that increasing our capacity for resilience to damage is an urgent issue facing Japanese society. Not only in Japan, but for the rest of the world, improving resilience for sustainable communities is a common issue. We expect to share information and experiences on this theme among delegates from all over the world.



Sachihiko Harashina Co-Chair, IAIA16



Takehiko Murayama Co-Chair, IAIA16

As a co-chair of IAIA16 and on behalf of the Japan Committee, I invite you to the conference in Nagoya, the heart of Central Japan.

Impact assessment is widely implemented in countries and regions all over the world as an important tool to support rational and fair decision making for policies, plans, and projects so as to mitigate environmental impacts of human activities.

In Japan, we have struggled to recover from big damage, including the nuclear power accident caused by the Great Eastern Japan Earthquake in 2011 ... then we set the conference theme as "Impact Assessment: Resilience and Sustainability."

As sustainability is an important common goal for all of mankind, it is quite important that an annual conference held in Japan promotes the exchange of information and ideas on impact assessment and that, as an environmentally advanced country, Japan disseminates the importance of impact assessment. Nagoya City and other parts of Aichi Prefecture are well placed to host this conference and the theme.

We hope that you take in the wonderful sights the city and the region have to offer, participate in one or more of the excellent trips we have planned around the conference, and enjoy warm Japanese hospitality during your stay.

We look forward to seeing you at IAIA16 in Nagoya next May and to hearing from you and experiencing your contribution to Impact Assessment: Resilience and Sustainability. - Sachihiko Harashina



Yaw Amoyaw-Osei President, IAIA | Director, CEHRT Environmental Consulting, Ghana

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to the global assembly of impact assessment (IA) professionals—the 36th Annual Conference of the International Association for Impact Assessment in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan—both for a rewarding conference experience and an unforgettable cultural adventure.

The cultural uniqueness of the Nagoya region will be waiting to captivate our imagination: the UNESCO World Heritage sites, Mt. Fuji and the Japan Alps, home of the Samurai culture, etc. The pleasure of adventure will nevertheless not outshine the conference. "Resilience and Sustainability" is the conference theme. It takes IA to its roots of safeguarding the "eco-system," a most appropriate theme for the emerging sustainability challenges from contemporary developments. The conference will offer an exceptional opportunity for learning and sharing experiences on "eco-system" capacity to rebound.

Our unflinching commitment to the cause of sustainability rallies us—consultants, governments, academia, industry, international institutions/agencies and NGOs—to duty annually, bringing different perspectives to bear on IA continuous improvement, global application and acceptability. Thus, for some, this invitation is a mere formality. To others, however, especially first-timers, students and young IA professionals, your participation is invaluable.

Looking forward to meeting in Nagoya for networking opportunities—Nagoya, here we come! - Yaw Amoyaw-Osei

We look forward to seeing you in Aichi-Nagoya!

Conference overview

- The conference will formally commence on Wednesday, 11 May.
- Training courses will be offered 9-10 May.

Tentative Program Overview Check the final program for confirmed dates, times, and events.



Conference overview

- Diverse social activities and technical visits will be available throughout and following the conference.
- The welcome reception* will take place on Wednesday, 11 May, and the banquet* will be held Friday, 13 May.

Conference Day 2 Thursday 12 May		Conference Day 3 Friday 13 May		Conference Day 4 Saturday 14 May				
	Fun Run			IAPA Editorial Board m	eeting			07:00
Registration			Registration					08:00 08:30
Re	Theme forums	Exhibits & posters	Re	Theme forums	Exhibits & posters	Concurrent sessions and thematic sessions	Exhibits & posters	09:00 09:30 10:00
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	Concurrent sessions and thematic sessions			Concurrent sessions and thematic sessions		Closing plenary IAIA Presidential Address IAIA16 report & summary		11:00 11:30 12:00
	Annual General Meeting			Council meeting		Introduction to IAIA17		12:30 13:00
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	Dine Outs			Banquet*				19:30 onward
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* Tentatively planned; contingent upon sponsorship.

# **Abstract Submission**

## SUBMITTING ABSTRACTS

- 1. Carefully read the session descriptions and decide where your abstract fits best.
- 2. Note the specific theme forum or session under which you would like to contribute.
- 3. Complete the online submission form (http://conferences.iaia.org/2016/abstract-guidelines-and-policies.php).

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE	30 November 2015
PRESENTING AUTHOR REGISTRATION DEADLINE	5 February 2016
LANGUAGE	English

### TIPS FOR CONCURRENT SESSION PAPER PRESENTERS

Many papers will be presented during the concurrent sessions. In order for all presenters to have an opportunity to speak, and to allow quality time for the speakers and audience to discuss the topics, please note the following presentation guidelines:

- Your key messages or discussion points should be clear and well formulated. Limit the number of messages/discussion points (4 points or less).
- IAIA recommends that you take with you to your session approximately 30 copies of a one-page bulleted
  outline of your presentation that also includes your contact information. During your presentation, this
  handout will facilitate communication with delegates whose native language is not English, and it will
  allow individuals to contact you following the conference.
- Keeping in mind that many of your audience are not native English speakers, time your presentation by speaking slowly and clearly. Avoid acronyms and jargon.
- Your speaking time is limited and agreed up front and will depend on the format of your session. The chair is instructed to give you a sign near the end of your time. When your time is up, you will be requested to stop speaking out of respect for your fellow speakers, your audience, the chair and the organizers.
- Remember, you do not have to use a PowerPoint presentation—a well-prepared oral presentation can be just as effective. If you choose PowerPoint, please limit the presentation to six easily readable slides. Each slide should contain no more than six bullets, each preferably not containing more than six words. Remember and please stick to the 6 - 6 - 6 rule.
- Some helpful sites for more tips on how to make a good presentation:
  - www.to-done.com/2005/07/how-to-give-a-great-presentation/
  - http://www.washington.edu/doit/presentation-tips-0
  - www.accuconference.com/resources/effective-presentations.aspx.

### ABOUT POSTERS

Posters are a creative and popular alternative to the oral presentation of a paper. In a poster session, there is no formal oral presentation; instead, each author is assigned a display area on which diagrams, graphics, data, pictures/photos, and a small amount of text are presented. The poster should be self-explanatory, but the author should be available at certain times, such as refreshment breaks and during the dedicated poster session, to interact with viewers and answer questions.

IAIA recognizes excellence in poster presentations by selecting a Public Choice Best Poster Award during the conference. The winners is acknowledged throughout the conference with a ribbon on the poster designating the "Best" status, and the author is awarded a certificate and acknowledged in the newsletter. The author may also be invited to publish his/her poster paper in *Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal*.

#### **Guidelines for poster presenters**

Each poster presenter is assigned one space on a flat, upright panel. Presenters are required to use the panels provided by IAIA and to provide the materials to put their posters in place and to hold handouts.

Advertising is not permitted.

Posters will be on display from Wednesday, 11 May, until Saturday, 14 May.

Additional poster preparation information is available on the IAIA Web site (www.iaia.org > IAIA16).

## ABOUT CONFERENCE SESSIONS

A session is a block of time, typically 90 minutes, during which discussion centers on a particular topic. A thematic session refers to a session that is specifically oriented toward the conference theme.

Sessions and thematic sessions may utilize a variety of formats, and the length of time available for presentations depends on the format that has been selected by the session chair. IAIA16 session formats include:

**Debate:** A debate takes place between two or more opponents who are experts in their fields as well as being entertaining presenters. The debate topic is clearly defined in terms of a question, with one side presenting the affirmative case and the other the negative case.

**Game-Gaming:** Using gaming, usually a customized board-type game, as a way to involve participants and create a hands-on, completely interactive learning experience.

**Panel discussion:** In a panel, the speakers are invited. The chair introduces each speaker and puts each talk in perspective. Each speaker gives a brief (10-15 minutes) prepared presentation, usually presenting a different view or experience on the topic, followed by debate between the speakers and questions from the audience facilitated by the chair.

**Paper session:** In a paper session, authors orally present the findings of a prepared paper or project. A paper session typically allows 4-5 presentations of 15-20 minutes each, including time for specific questions. Ideally, the chair allocates time for general questions and open discussion following the presentations.

**Pecha Kucha** is a presentation methodology in which 20 slides are shown for 20 seconds each (six minutes and 40 seconds in total). This format allows for concise and fast presentations with more than typical discussion time following the presentation.

**Poster session.** Posters are a creative and popular alternative to the oral presentation of a paper. In a poster session, there is no formal oral presentation; instead, each author is assigned a display area on which diagrams, graphics, pictures/photos, and a small amount of text are presented. Posters will be on display throughout the conference and are generally self-explanatory, but IAIA also dedicates a block of time for delegates to view the posters and visit directly with the authors.

Theme forum: Smaller than plenaries and larger than concurrent sessions, theme forums include "cut-above" presentations and discussions which are intended to: be integrative in nature, i.e., deal with cross-cutting issues relevant to the many specialties of impact assessment; bring together on a particular topic the various aspects of impact assessment and examine how those aspects apply to different sectors and issues; engage with the conference theme; be relevant to our international audience; and be innovative in format. The number of theme forums is limited, and because selection is so competitive, additional criteria applies to final selection and identification of theme forums listed in the final program.

**Workshop:** In a workshop, the topic is very specific and seeks to resolve a defined problem, often through a combination of 2-3 short paper presentations and active discussion.

# **Technical program**

## ABOUT THE TECHNICAL PROGRAM

The technical program is structured into two streams that address broad aspects of impact assessment theory and practice. One stream is related to the theme of the conference (thematic sessions). The other stream is related to impact assessment in general, including topics that address issues of interest to IAIA's special-interest Sections. IAIA16 sessions include the following:

#### THEMATIC SESSIONS

A plain language introduction to Resilience Thinking for IA As good as it gets: Working toward quality in impact assessment. Biodiversity and tropical agriculture and forestry Boom town effects from oil and gas development Contention, social movements, and the politics of impact assessment Corporate sustainability assessments Cultural heritage: Disaster planning, mitigation and response Developments and trends in HIA and health in EA in Asia and Pacific regions Disasters, conflict and impact assessment Ecosystem services: Why so little used in planning? Fisheries resilience and sustainable aquaculture HIA as a creation of deliberative society for sustainable development How to respond to public concerns on resilience and sustainability IAs on land rights: What companies are learning and why it matters Impact assessment as a design tool Impact assessment for smart cities Impact assessment of small things Innovative communication of projects and impacts International comparison of public participation indicators Is resilience a valid argument when negotiating impact mitigation? Optimizing adaptation to increase resilience in a context of climate change Resilient e-governance systems for smart communities Role of impact assessment in reaching the new Sustainable Development Goals Social Licence to Operate and community resilience Sustainable transport: Current situations and challenges Synergies between impact assessment and industrial ecology

#### **GENERAL/IAIA SECTION SESSIONS**

Advancing EIA outcomes and processes through learning-centered approaches Assessing environmental impacts with compliance gaps Business and human rights: Where to now? Business-led approaches for promoting biodiversity in impact assessment Climate change and IA: Good practice cases Cultural resources as a component of SEA Defining and achieving good practice in scoping Early stakeholder engagement during site selection and project design Economic impact assessment and sustainable regional development Ethical dilemmas in impact assessment Future directions for EA research Hits of the 1970s: Wisdom from the early days of IA Indigenous cultural landscapes and impact assessment Performance and innovation in resettlement and livelihoods restoration Planning for disaster debris Power and transmission: Resilience for energy shift in transmission systems Sustainable infrastructure in Latin America and the Caribbean Tools and approaches for integrating biodiversity in impact assessment Traditional Ecological Knowledge in IA Uptake of impact assessment by the finance sector

## These sessions and many, many more are being offered! See http://conferences.iaia.org/2016/sessions.php for the full list of sessions and descriptions and to submit an abstract.



NEW IN 2016

## CHARLIE WOLF MEMORIAL LECTURE

Starting at IAIA16, one of the founding members of IAIA will be honored through a new lecture series. The Charlie Wolf Memorial Lecture, to be held annually during the opening plenary, will introduce the unique environmental, social, and cultural features of the conference location. Stay tuned for details on this year's lecture.

## Training courses

## 9-10 MAY 2016

Please register early! Courses will be cancelled if they do not reach the minimum number of paid participants by 14 March 2016.

## **IMPORTANT DATE: 14 MARCH**

In consideration of the trainers and their need to prepare appropriate quantities of course materials, registrants may not change courses after 18 April.

### **ABOUT TRAINING COURSES**

IAIA pre-conference training courses are presented primarily by IAIA members. The courses are open to all participants but require advance registration and payment.

IAIA16 pre-conference training courses will be held from 09:00 - 17:00 on Monday, 9 May, and Tuesday, 10 May. The courses will be held at the congress center.

IAIA's 2-day courses cost US\$475. One-day courses are US \$275. This fee includes course materials, light lunches, and coffee breaks. Participants in the training courses who are not registered for the IAIA conference will be assessed an additional US\$75 fee. Course fees must be paid in full before you will be enrolled in the training course.

Please register early! Courses will be cancelled if they do not reach the minimum number of paid participants by 14 March 2016.

Minimum/maximum class sizes are noted. If the training course for which you have registered does not meet the minimum number by 14 March, IAIA HQ will notify you and provide refund information or offer to transfer you to another course. Course registration after 14 March is possible but is subject to availability, instructor consent, and receipt of payment.

If you must cancel, your course registration fee will be refunded minus a US\$125 administrative fee and contingent upon a written notice of cancellation received at HQ by 18 April 2016. After 18 April, no refunds will be issued.

Check-in for the training courses will be available at the IAIA registration desk in the congress center. Registration desk hours will be posted in the final program. Name tags will be distributed at check-in and are required for admission to courses. Check-in the day before your course begins is encouraged.

For more detailed descriptions of the courses, including background information on instructors, see the IAIA Web site (www.iaia.org > IAIA16).

#### **STUDENT TRAINING COURSE FEE WAIVERS**

A **limited number of free training course registrations are available to student participants of IAIA16** once courses reach their minimum paid enrollments. If you are interested, please send your name, a 300-word statement of interest explaining how the chosen training course could contribute to your research or student career, and first and second course choices to impact@iaia.org by 8 April 2016. Allocations of the free training course slots will be made by 14 April 2016, based on the order in which the requests were received and subject to instructor approval.

### HUMAN RIGHTS AND IMPACT ASSESSMENT

This two-day, intermediate level master class outlines the human rights issues associated with large projects (with an emphasis on the extractive industries), and provides participants with practical ways to operationalize the corporate responsibility to respect human rights as established in the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, which were developed by Prof. John Ruggie (who received the IAIA 2014 Global Environment Award).

Communities living in conflict and post-conflict countries, as well as areas affected by or recovering from natural and industrial disasters, are often exposed to violations of their human rights, which affects the magnitude of the impacts received and the possibility of recovering from the crisis and compromises a socially sustainable future. The course seeks to bring human rights issues into the impact assessment field of practice and, by using integrated impact assessment methods, will provide an effective way to identify the human rights issues of projects and the scenarios where projects are developed.

This master class is designed for practitioners involved in the impact assessment of private sector projects who have some understanding and knowledge of social impact assessment methodologies and practice and who want to increase their knowledge of human rights issues. This can include individuals within companies or institutions (e.g., financial institutions) who are responsible for commissioning and overseeing impact assessments; and internal and external practitioners that carry out impact assessments. The course has been developed as a partnership between the Danish Institute of Human Rights and the Community Insights Group.

Level:	Intermediate/Advanced
Prerequisites:	No specific prerequisite; however, it is presumed that participants will have a general understanding of impact assessment.
Language:	English
Duration:	2 days (9-10 May)
Min/Max:	10-30
Instructors:	Nora Götzmann, Advisor, Danish Institute for Human Rights (Denmark)
	Ana Gabriela Factor, Consultant, Community Insights Group (Denmark)

### 2 INTEGRATING ECOSYSTEM SERVICES INTO DEVELOPMENT PLANNING (IES)—A TRAINING FOR IMPACT ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONERS

Environmental impact assessments (EIA) and strategic environmental assessments (SEA) are increasingly applied in developing countries to aid development planning. Many assessments, though, are still lacking a comprehensive identification and analysis of ecosystem services (ES), despite a growing consensus amongst scientific literature that the benefits of ES to human well-being can hardly be overstated and should be integrated into plans and strategies. At the same time, development financiers like IFC requires ES analysis within project EIAs to qualify for loans. This could become more widespread and with this training we seek to prepare IA practitioners for this situation.

Improving ES assessments in IA by determining impact and dependencies of human activities on ES provides practitioners with arguments to better convey the importance of ecosystems to relevant decision-makers. Moreover, it allows identifying potential unintended negative consequences of an activity that might otherwise be overlooked and thus helps to strengthen the resilience of ecosystems and long-term viability of developments and plans.

In this training we showcase the "6-Step approach," which offers a guide to assess ES in project and plans. Participants will also be introduced to specific instruments and methods via the ValuEs Inventory of Methods (www.aboutvalues.net).

The training applies the Harvard Case Methodology. A series of exercises built around a fictitious case study, coupled with input lectures from the trainers, will help participants to understand materials and content. Over the last 4 years the IES training has been conducted over 80 times in developing countries and in Germany. Experience in conducting IA and a basic understanding of natural systems and its functions are prerequisites for this intermediate level course.

Level:	Intermediate
Prerequisites:	Basic understanding of ecosystem functions and ecological concepts.
Language:	English
Duration:	2 days (9-10 May)
Min/Max:	10-19
Instructors:	Ulrike Tröger, Advisor, ValuES project, Deutsche Gesellschaft

für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) (Germany)

Isabel Renner, Freelance Consultant (Germany)



### 3 MAINSTREAMING BIODIVERSITY IN IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR PROMOTING RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY

The quote "Nature is the foundation of business. Ecology sets the rules for economy. Thus, damaging nature is damaging business. Like cutting the branch we sit on" assigns the tremendous importance to conserving biodiversity. Yet compelling evidence suggests that biodiversity is being adversely impacted due to unsustainable use and other profound causes linked to our development models. A consequence of unsustainable use of natural resources, combined with the needs of a growing global population and climate change, is seriously jeopardizing the health of our ecosystems and resulting in biodiversity decline. Biodiversity must therefore be tackled together by integrating relevant concerns into the decisions and institutions and that drive development—a process known as "mainstreaming."

Sustainability and resilience thinking are both globally relevant concepts that signal conservation of nature in its entirety for reducing poverty, creating sustainable livelihoods, promoting economic growth and tackling climate change. EIA offers opportunities to mainstream biodiversity to promote transformational change in attitudes and responsibilities that can link seemingly incompatible elements such as sustainability and development and improve preparedness for climate change.

This two-day course focuses on improving the role and scope of IA for connecting the dots between biodiversity, sustainable development, human well-being and climate change. For IA professionals, the course will share a practice to harness the power of natural solutions to enhance livelihoods, sustain economies, and build resilience to a changing climate. Business groups will better understand why they must pay for biodiversity conservation as a debt for destruction from past actions and as dues for drawing from the nature in future. For economists, the course reemphasizes that economy is just a subset of the ecological system. For decision-makers, the course will highlight the consequence of "biodiversity-blind" development intervention and help them make informed decisions related to ecosystem management.

Level:	Intermediate/Advanced. This is a course for EA professionals including trainers, practitioners, development planners, business groups, conservation community, decision-makers, donor agencies and economists.
Prerequisites:	Participants should have basic understanding of the ecological concepts and sustainability principles.
Language:	English
Duration:	2 days (9-10 May)
Min/Max:	10-30
Instructors:	<b>Asha Rajvanshi</b> , Ph.D., Senior Professor and Head, Wildlife Institute of India (India)
	<b>Vinod B. Mathur</b> , Ph.D., Director, Wildlife Institute of India (India)

### HOW TO MAXIMIZE THE VALUE AND EFFECT OF SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

This SIA training course is tailored for a cross-sector audience on the requirements, benefits, challenges, and technical approaches of delivering effective SIA processes. The training will focus on the practical skills, critical thinking, alternative approaches, and influence and effect needed to deliver high quality SIAs that have relevance for project decision making. The course will be based on real experiences, IAIA's *International Principles for SIA*, and best evolving practice, and will be facilitated by industry experts with 15+ years of international experience. Teaching methods will be highly interactive and reflective, with a strong emphasis on case study analysis and workplace application.

The training is targeted at individuals that are either relatively new to the practice of SIA, and/or those that are wanting to improve the effectiveness of their current SIA practice. There will be particular emphasis upon:

- Key analytical and practical skills required for an effective SIA.
- Managing the limitations and maximizing the opportunities of SIA.
- Emerging trends and pressures that are shaping the requirements and face of the SIA process.
- Using the SIA process to improve the quality of decisions made, and as a basis for relationship building.
- The role of SIAs as a foundation for the development of a broader social management system, suitable for application during subsequent project phases.

Learning outcomes will include:

- Deeper awareness of the opportunities and limitations of SIA.
- Improved ability to build a fit for purpose SIA process that delivers the best outcomes especially in complex contexts.
- Improved competency in a number of core skills that directly influence the ability to maximize the value of SIA on the ground.
- Linking the SIA process and outcomes to integrated impact management and quality project decision making.
- Understanding of the process, methodologies and importance of stakeholder engagement during SIA.

Level:	Intermediate
Prerequisites:	It is not expected that the participants have extensive experience of SIA or impact assessment processes. This course will appeal to individuals who are relatively new to the practice of SIA, and those who are wanting to improve the effectiveness of their current SIA practice. The course will not be of sufficient value to individuals who have extensive or strong practical experience of SIA, and who have found ways of overcoming the obstacles related to the assessment process.
Language:	English
Duration:	2 days (9-10 May)
Min/Max:	10-30
Instructors:	Alison McCallum, Technical Director, Training, Synergy Global Consulting Ltd (South Africa)
	Katharine Gotto Walton, Director, Synergy Global Consulting

Ltd (United Kingdom)

### 5 ORGANIZED REASONING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Environmental impact assessment (EIA) constantly uses reasoning to reach conclusions. That process is called "argument." Not argument meaning "quarrel," but argument meaning a series of reasons, leading to conclusions, targeted for a specific audience. Most professionals are not formally trained in organized reasoning. Therefore, they do not know there are many techniques of argument that organize ideas to help an audience better understand the reasoning in written presentations. Assessments are complex documents. Using the tools of argument can make them easier for audiences to understand. And easier for authors to write!

This two-day workshop will share guidelines for organized reasoning. These guidelines apply to all professional technical writing, but this workshop specifically targets the challenges of EIA. This is an intermediate level workshop. Participants should have experience participating in writing one or more assessments. They should have some experience with the difficulties of preparing an assessment and of challenges that come from the reactions of different audiences to assessment documents.

The workshop shows how written EIA documents contain common errors in their arguments. We will distinguish three different kinds of argument that technical writing and EIAs contain and two different approaches to making arguments. Participants practice assembling evidence and reasons for each kind of, and approach to, argument. We show several steps and introduce some computer-based tools that bring better argument into technical report writing. At the end, participants will have a new perspective on how to write technical reports and EIAs and several new techniques they can use on the job.

Level:	Intermediate
Prerequisites:	Previous participation in preparing and writing IA documents.
Language:	English
Duration:	2 days (9-10 May)
Min/Max:	10-24
Instructor:	<b>Glen Brown</b> , Ph.D., Independent Consultant and Associate Faculty, Royal Roads University (Canada)
Special note:	Although not required, a laptop computer will be helpful for one of the exercises.

6 QUALITY ASSURANCE IN EIA: GUIDE AND REVIEW

This two-day course will combine lectures delivered by the trainers, general discussions, and individual and group work. It will have two main parts: the first will provide the delegates with insights into how the EIA process should be guided. This will include aspects such as writing terms of reference, adjudicating proposals from consultants, and how to provide oversight to the whole EIA process. Examples from recent projects will be used to highlight the learning points.

The second part will deal with review. This will include methods and frameworks that can be used to review scoping, EIA and EMP reports, key questions to be asked and how to make decisions on the information provided in the documentation. Again, we will use examples from some of the many projects we have been involved with over the past few years.

The learning outcomes will include:

- Participants will have a better appreciation and confidence about how to guide and review large and small EIAs.
- Participants will be provided with some tools (templates, criteria, frameworks, decision-trees) to write ToRs, run a tendering process, adjudicate proposals, manage the entire EIA process and review the documentation.
- Participants will be made aware of common pitfalls and how to deal with them.

Level:	Intermediate/Advanced
Prerequisites:	This course is primarily aimed at decision-makers and corporate EIA managers who are responsible for setting terms of reference, adjudicating EIA proposals and reviewing the final documents. Therefore the participants must be in positions where they carry out these tasks. They need to understand the EIA process and legal requirements.
Language:	English
Duration:	2 days (9-10 May)
Min/Max:	10-35
Instructor:	<b>Peter Tarr</b> , Ph.D., Executive Director of the Southern African Institute for Environmental Assessment (Namibia)
Special note:	Each participant needs to bring a laptop.

### **RESILIENCE ASSESSMENT TOOLS** FOR INTEGRATING COMPLEXITY AND UNPREDICTABILITY WITH IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is commonly regarded as a tool to predict the consequences of planned development. The underlying assumption of predictability is valid for engineering projects in the built environment, but not for projects that modify the natural environment. For example, the construction of dams and levees to generate hydropower and control river flow are affected by the interactions between people and nature in the river catchment. Such interactions can have unpredictable chain-reaction impacts on plants, soils and river flow that may compromise the design of engineered structures, leading to the surprising collapse of systems that were believed to be stable. Resilience assessment takes into account the changes arising from complex interactions between people and nature resulting in development interventions based on a model of change that recognizes the risk of undermining environmental stability. Integration of resilience assessment with SEA has the potential to improve long-term environmental stability and sustainability.

This resilience assessment course provides foundational level training for SEA practitioners who want to learn about resilience assessment and how it can be integrated into SEA. The course is built on workshops held at the IAIA Geneva conference in 2010 and at the IAIA SEA conference in Prague in 2011. Both of these events led to publications that explored the potential of resilience thinking and assessment to improve SEA practice by addressing the unpredictability that arises from complexity. Knowledge gained from these learning initiatives within the IAIA SEA community are supplemented with experience gained from resilience training workshops held in other contexts to develop a training course for the IAIA SEA community.

Anticipated learning outcomes:

- 1. The difference between complex and ordered systems and implications for planning, assessment and management.
- 2. Resilience concepts and metaphors for environmental change in the context of long-term sustainability.
- 3. Use of resilience thinking heuristics for resilience assessment.
- 4. Integrating resilience assessment in SEA.

Level:	Foundation
Prerequisites:	Basic knowledge of SEA required.
Language:	English
Duration:	2 days (9-10 May)
Min/Max:	10-35
Instructors:	Roel Slootweg, Ph.D., SevS human and natural environment consultants (The Netherlands)
	<b>Mike Jones</b> , Swedish Biodiversity Centre (Sweden) and Wallowa Mountain Institute (USA)

#### 8 **ONE TERM—VARIOUS MEANINGS:** SEA THEORY AND PRACTICES

Strategic environmental assessment (SEA) of policies, plans, and programmes (PPPs) is often perceived as the big brother of project environmental impact assessment (EIA). However, ultimately, it is a term which has a range of different meanings and applications that go beyond the scope of EIA. This course will provide an overview of various interpretations and applications of SEA from various systems. The main aim is to help participants choose the "right" SEA approach for a specific PPP situation and to raise an awareness of what SEA may and what it actually is achieving.

This course is suitable for regional and local authority representatives and consultancies working in a regional and local context. Furthermore, students who are enrolled in a relevant degree program and teachers/lecturers of environmental management, planning and assessment would be welcome. The focus is on what is considered best practice internationally, and a wide range of international case studies will be presented and discussed.

Level:	Intermediate
Prerequisites:	Some basic knowledge of environmental assessment (EIA and SEA).
Language:	English
Duration:	2 days (9-10 May)
Min/Max:	10-20
Instructor:	<b>Thomas B. Fischer</b> , Ph.D. FIEMA, Professor, University of Liverpool (United Kingdom)

### STATE OF THE ART SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT

The purpose of this intermediate level course is to provide participants with practical skills in the development and implementation of sustainability assessment processes, as well as insights into recent research that is shaping sustainability assessment practice now and into the future. This course features short lectures (conceptual and case study-based) interspersed with open discussions and individual and small-group activities.

Sustainability assessment, broadly defined, is a process for directing decision-making towards sustainability. While sustainability assessment can be applied in many different contexts by different types of decision-makers, this course will focus on forms of sustainability assessment that are aligned with *ex ante* impact assessment principles and practices. It is therefore of relevance to regulators, proponents, government agencies, consultants, and anyone interested in aligning planning and decision-making with sustainability.

The course content includes:

- Evolution of sustainability assessment, the spectrum of sustainability assessment practice and links to other impact assessment processes.
- Understanding sustainability: normative and systemic dimensions and what they mean for sustainability assessment.
- Processes for sustainability assessment.
- Challenges in sustainability assessment.
- Addressing the challenges: emerging tools and techniques for sustainability assessment.

Participants will develop an understanding of:

- Different understandings of sustainability and how they are reflected in sustainability assessment practice internationally.
- How sustainability assessment relates to other forms of impact assessment.
- How to develop and implement context-specific sustainability assessment processes.
- Challenges in sustainability assessment and how to address them in practice.
- Emerging methods and tools for sustainability assessment.
- The state of the art and future directions for sustainability assessment.

Level:	Intermediate
Prerequisites:	Participants are expected to have an understanding of IA processes and terminology. Hence it would be beneficial if they previously have attended an introductory IAIA training course or otherwise have at least a year of work experience as a consultant, proponent or regulator within an IA system, or be a student with at least 6 months of courses or research experience on some aspect of IA.
Language:	English
Duration:	2 days (9-10 May)
Min/Max:	10-60
Instructors:	Angus Morrison-Saunders, Associate Professor in Environmental Assessment, Murdoch University (Australia)
	Jenny Pope, Director, Integral Sustainability (Australia)
	<b>Alan Bond</b> , Senior Lecturer in Environmental Management, School of Environmental Science, University of East Anglia (United Kingdom)
Special note:	Course materials will be provided to participants in electronic format at the start of the training course. Participants should bring their own laptop computer if they wish to access these materials during the course.

### STRUCTURAL METHODS FOR MULTI-HAZARD RISK REDUCTION IN PROTECTED CENTRAL AREAS OF CITIES

There is a strong concern worldwide about cities' resilience to multi-hazards, and patrimony protection is a major objective in the General Strategy for Risk Reduction promoted by the UN and UNESCO. Around the world, there are various cities with protected central areas particularly exposed to earthquakes. The proposed strategies for patrimony protection are based on a complex risk analysis including the mapping of multi-hazard exposed elements.

This course allows students to understand the background and application of structural methods for risk reduction, in line with the priorities of UN-ISDR and the Sendai/Hyogo Framework. Presenting a useful methodology for students, researchers, or specialists, the course gives the ability to manage risk prevention in preserved urban areas of cities, with high applicability in Japan or other countries exposed to multi-hazards.

The case studies illustrated during the course refer to Bucharest, Romania, a European capital with a vast protected central area particularly exposed to earthquakes, in comparison with several other European capitals and cities. The course is based on a complex research project, presented at several recent international conferences, highlighting a new methodology with a high possibility of application in all cities exposed to multi-hazards around the world.

This course will be structured as a lecture and workshop in five parts, ending with an interactive focus group activity:

- Part 1: Learn about the general worldwide requirements for risk reduction within the concept of resilient cities.
- Part 2: Discuss the Bucharest case study, a built area exposed to multi-hazards, vulnerability and risk.
- Part 3: Review several multi-hazard scenarios in protected areas, exposing the methodology and suggesting several structural methods for risk reduction.
- Part 4: Examine applied scenarios and results via maps, tables, matrix, etc.
- Part 5: Apply the course guidelines to personalized, real-life scenarios in an interactive small group setting.

Level:	Intermediate
Prerequisites:	Background or professional experience in architectural or urban patrimony, urban planning, administration, emergency services, engineering or urban infrastructure and services.
Language:	English
Duration:	1 day (10 May)
Min/Max:	10-30
Instructors:	Cristina Olga Gociman, Ph.D., Ion Mincu University of Architecture and Urban Planning (Romania)
	<b>Tiberiu Constantin Florescu</b> , Ph.D., Dean of Urban Planning Faculty, Ion Mincu University of Architecture and Urban Planning (Romania)

## **Technical visits**

#### ABOUT TECHNICAL VISITS

Please register early! Technical visits will be cancelled if they do not reach the minimum number of paid participants by 14 March 2016.

#### **IMPORTANT DATE: 14 MARCH**

Minimum and maximum numbers of participants are noted. If the visit for which you have registered does not meet the minimum number by 14 March, IAIA HQ will notify you and provide refund information or offer to transfer you to another visit. After 14 March, registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until 18 April or the visits reach the maximum number. Registrations will be processed in the order that payment is received.

Prices for technical visits are shown in US dollars. **Participants must be pre-registered and prepaid to participate.** If you must cancel, the fee will be refunded, less an administration fee of 25% of the technical visit cost and contingent upon written notice of cancellation received in HQ by 18 April. After that time, no refunds will be issued.

The tours will be hosted in Japanese with English translation.

Guests of registered delegates are welcome to register for technical visits at the same rate.

Casual clothing and walking shoes are recommended.

Delegates are not expected to pay tips to the servers for meals.

Tours depart from the congress center unless otherwise noted. Plan to check in for the visit a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the noted departure time.

Liability statement: IAIA, the organizing committee, and the venue will not be responsible for medical expenses, accidents, losses or other unexpected damage to property belonging to conference participants, either during or as a result of the conference and during all tours and events. Participants are strongly advised to arrange their own insurance for health and accident, lost luggage and trip cancellation.

Participants will be required to sign a liability release waiver upon check-in for the visits.

#### A | MAGNIFICENT LANDSCAPE OF WORLD HERITAGE AREAS: MT. FUJI VIEW

This visit first takes you to Nihondaira Hill in Shizuoka City, where you can see a magnificent view of World Heritage site Mt. Fuji. You will learn about the evacuation plan for Mt. Fuji, an active volcano, and the newly-developed EIA ordinance of Shizuoka City. Then you will go via ropeway to Toshogu Shrine, built in honor of Shogun leyasu. This beautiful Japanese-style shrine was built when leyasu died in 1616. The last destination is the pine forest (pinery) of Miho Peninsula. The Japanese black pine (*Pinus thunbergii*) trees have been seriously affected by pine wilt disease, and a resilience plan for sustainable pinery landscapes has been developed by the Shizuoka city government.

#### Monday, 9 May

Depart 08:00 | Return 20:30

Minimum-Maximum 20-45

Price \$200

Price includes transportation, lunch, translation, and admission fees.

**Special notes:** Photo identification is required. Sturdy shoes and rain gear are recommended.

The return time on this visit may be subject to change due to traffic conditions.

#### **B** | EIA AND SUSTAINABLE DECISIONS

This tour will visit main areas related to the co-benefit story of waste reduction and wetland protection successfully implemented in the big city of Nagoya. The construction of a waste dumping site was proposed at Fujimae wetland by the city of Nagoya. However, in 1998 the EIA report revealed that the project might destroy this important wetland for migrating birds' habitat. Following the report, the project was pulled and Nagoya implemented strong actions for waste separation and recycling policies. Eventually the amount of waste treatment in Nagoya was reduced over 20% and the Fujimae wetland was inscribed as registered wetland under the Ramsar Convention in 2002.

This tour will visit the Fujimae wetland, a garbage incineration plant, and a waste segregation plant, in order to explain the story of sustainable development in Nagoya.

#### Monday, 9 May

Depart 13:00 | Return 17:35

Minimum-Maximum 20-45

#### **Price** \$90

Price includes transportation and translation.

**Special notes:** Photo identification is required. Walking shoes are recommended.

The return time on this visit may be subject to change due to traffic conditions.



#### C | ECO-FRIENDLY DEVELOPMENT, INDUSTRY, AND LIFE

This tour presents various eco-friendly actions in Aichi Prefecture. The first location is EXPO 2005 Memorial Park. The original ground design of the exhibition was changed for protection of accipitrine bird habitat. A detailed EIA survey was conducted and an alternative location was suggested through intensive discussions by stakeholders. It was a very successful participatory approach.

The second location is the Toyota Motor Corporation factory, which is located close to the Toyota Motor Corporation, one of the largest automobile companies in the world. Toyota has conducted various innovations for pollution control, energy savings, and waste reduction.

The third location is Ecoful town, where various renewable energy system and carbon reduction techniques have been introduced.

#### Tuesday, 10 May

Depart 09:00 | Return 18:00

Minimum-Maximum 20-45

#### Price \$115

Price includes transportation, lunch, translation, fees and tolls.

**Special notes:** Photo identification is required. Walking shoes recommended.

The return time on this visit may be subject to change due to traffic conditions.

#### F | RESILIENCE AGAINST EARTHQUAKE AND FLOOD

Nagoya has suffered from several earthquakes and heavy floods. This tour offers an opportunity to learn about the risks of earthquakes and floods and their control systems in Nagoya City. The visit includes the Disaster Mitigation Research Center at Nagoya University where you will see the mechanism of earthquake and quakeresistant engineering, the Sewage Science Museum which explains the role of sewage in flood control, and Nagoya's underground flood control reservoir.

#### Saturday, 14 May

Depart 13:30 | Return 17:30

Minimum-Maximum 20-45

#### **Price** \$90

Price includes transportation, translation, fees and tolls.

**Special notes:** Photo identification is required. Walking shoes and comfortable clothing are recommended.

#### D | HISTORY OF THE ISE GRAND SHRINE IN 2000 Years

Established around 2,000 years ago, Ise Jingu (Ise Great Shrine) is one of the biggest Shinto shrines in Japan. Ise Jingu is the head shrine of 18,000 local shrines all over Japan. It contains 125 shrines, including the main Naigu shrine and Gegu shrine. Participants will see both Nigu and Gegu and enjoy traditional Japanese food. The visit includes Okage Tokocho (Thankful Alley), where representative buildings of Ise pilgrimage routes from the Edo Era to the Meiji Era are reproduced, as well as sightseeing spots which enable you to experience the tastes of long-established stores, specialties, history, customs, and human empathy in Japan. The Shrine is one of the locations of the G7 Summit in May 2016.

#### Tuesday, 10 May

Depart 09:00 | Return 16:00

Minimum-Maximum 20-45

#### Price \$130

Price includes transportation, lunch, technical guide fees, translation, fees and tolls.

**Special notes:** Photo identification is required. Walking shoes and rain gear are recommended.

The return time on this visit may be subject to change due to traffic conditions.

#### E | THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF Yokkaichi

This tour provides an opportunity to learn about Yokkaichi air pollution and the latest pollution control technologies in Yokkaichi City in Mie Prefecture. People in Yokkaichi have suffered from serious pulmonary problems called "Yokkaichi asthma," which was one of four major pollution diseases in Japan caused by air pollution from the Yokkaichi industrial complex in the 1960s. To cope with the difficulties, the citizens, companies, and government of Yokkaichi struggled together and recovered the fresh air.

The tour will include a visit to the Yokkaichi Pollution and Environmental Museum for Future Awareness, which was established in March 2015 and shows the pollution and recovery history using interactive exhibits, as well as a factory tour of Sharp Corporation, where you will witness environment-related activities in this famous electronics company. Finally, a night cruise will show the amazing night views of the industrial zone in Yokkaichi.

#### Tuesday, 10 May

Depart 13:00 | Return 21:00

Minimum-Maximum 20-30

#### Price \$170

Price includes transportation, admission fees, translation, and cruise with light dinner.

**Special notes:** Photo identification required. Walking shoes and a jacket for the cruise are recommended.

The return time on this visit may be subject to change due to traffic conditions.

Reminder! IAIA advises delegates to plan ahead: prepare and apply for visas and all other travel documents early. Please apply for your visa at the same time as you send your registration to ensure that you receive your visa in time for the conference.

# **Networking activities**

#### WELCOME RECEPTION

The IAIA16 welcome reception will feature typical Nagoya-area foods as well as sake (Japanese rice wine) Come to enjoy conversation between participants from all over the world and celebrate the opening of IAIA16.

Pending sponsorship. Wednesday, 11 May Location: Nagoya Congress Center Reception Hall Pre-registration is required.

#### BANQUET

You won't want to miss this unique experience. Enjoy dinner with your colleagues at Atsuta-jingu-kaikan in Atsuta-jingu Shrine, founded nearly 1,900 years ago and one of the greatest shrines in this region. The shrine stands in a spacious, wooded park with narrow streams running throughout—a lovely place to stroll and appreciate the atmosphere that exists at this ancient site.

Dinner will include traditional Japanese foods, called "Washoku." A special tasting area will feature sake (Japanese rice wine) produced at various breweries. A Japanese-style performance will take place during the meal.

Pending sponsorship. Friday, 13 May Location: Atsuta-jingu-kaikan, Atsuta-jingu Shrine Price: \$55 Pre-registration is required.

#### **DINE OUTS**

Spend an evening sampling local food at a "pay your own way" dinner. Japan, as a long archipelago, has a great diversity of seasons throughout the country. This environmental abundance has led to the unique traditions of delicacies, such as sushi, sukiyaki, and tempura. The term "Nagoya-Meshi" references the local cuisine in Aichi-Nagoya. It is characterized by a salty-sweet harmony of subtle sweetness and spices, flavors found in neither Tokyo nor Kyoto. A local host is organizing the Dine Outs and will help you experience Japanese cuisine and try some of the best "Nagoya-meshi" in its place of origin. 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 and see different parts of the city in a jovial atmosphere.

Thursday, 12 May 19:00 onward

#### TWITTER!

Tweet about IAIA16 before, during, and after the conference using **#iaia16**.

#### AWARDS

IAIA's awards are presented throughout the conference. Who will win the prestigious honors associated with the annual IAIA awards?

#### **BUFFET OF IDEAS**

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 whom you might not meet during formal sessions.

At lunch on Wednesday, 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.

#### FUN RUN

The Fun Run is a great way to start the day and network with fellow runners and walkers. The 4km route along the Horikawa River near the Nagoya Congress Center will refresh your mind and body and offer a chance to meet people you might not otherwise meet during formal sessions. Everyone is welcome: runners, walkers, spectators, and volunteers. Pre-registration and a nominal fee are required from runners/walkers to cover prizes. To volunteer to assist with the run or for more information, please contact Akiko Urago (akiko. urago@gmail.com).

Thursday, 12 May | 07:00-08:00 Starting Point: Entrance of Nagoya Congress Center Pre-registration and nominal fee (\$5) are required.

## **Students and mentors**

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## **GET CONNECTED.**

And get more out of your IAIA16 registration by networking *before* the conference begins.

Once you have registered and paid, you will automatically be added to the IAIA16 group in IAIAConnect, IAIA's online professional networking community.

Post questions, generate discussion, arrange meetups, and more.

See www.iaia.org > IAIAConnect for a preview today!

### STUDENT REGISTRATION FEE WAIVERS

IAIA is pleased to offer a student fee waiver program for IAIA16. This program allows up to 20 students a waived conference registration fee in exchange for providing in-kind services on-site at the conference. The 10-12 hours of in-kind services will include an organizational meeting with the balance of activities being organizational or administrative duties.

Eligible students must:

- Be a current student member of IAIA, or apply for student membership.
- Submit the student fee waiver application form by 11 December 2015. No exceptions!
- Subscribe to the SEP (Students and Early Professionals) Section in IAIAConnect upon acceptance into the program to facilitate communication.

Fee waivers are allocated in part based on geographic dispersion and on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, contact Loreley Fortuny at IAIA HQ (impact@iaia.org or +1.701.297.7908) for program guidelines and an application form. You will be notified 11 January 2016 whether you have been accepted. Each student selected will be asked to pay a US\$40 processing fee at that time.

#### MENTORING PROGRAM

The mentoring program helps students, early professionals, and first-time delegates feel more comfortable and less overwhelmed with their IAIA conference experience.

The **Mentor** is an experienced IAIA member with the same interest area as the applicant, or "**Mentee**." The Mentor acts as a discussion partner on common topics of interest for the professional development of the Mentee and as a friendly point of contact for guidance and navigation through IAIA (i.e., members, Sections, conference format). It is not intended that the Mentee shadow the assigned Mentor, but rather that they meet at the conference to begin conversation that extends beyond the event. It is hoped that the two will continue communicating on interest areas throughout the year following IAIA16.

If you are interested in being a Mentor or Mentee, please complete the application form at http://conferences.iaia.org/2016/mentor_program.php by **14 March 2016**.

#### RITA R. HAMM IA EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

The Rita R. Hamm IA Excellence Scholarship honors the legacy that IAIA's former CEO has left on the organization and the field of impact assessment. One scholarship will be offered in conjunction with IAIA16, allowing a young practitioner in the region of the host country to attend. Potential candidates are those who have never attended an IAIA annual conference in the past and are submitting an abstract to present a paper at IAIA16. Full application instructions are posted under the IAIA16 "More info" tab at http://conferences.iaia.org/2016/rita-r-hamm-ia-excellence-scholarship.php.

The application deadline is 14 December 2015.

# Section activities

## **MEET THE IAIA SECTIONS!**

IAIA is a member-based organization which currently has fifteen Sections that cover different types and aspects of impact assessment.

IAIA Sections provide opportunities for IAIA members with these mutual interests to share experiences and discuss ideas in an informal setting. Sections provide a forum for active topical debate and for development and promotion of good practice.

IAIA Sections have a chance to meet during each annual conference, and some also have a rolling program of work throughout the year.

The members of the Sections and their activities are the life-blood of IAIA: through the Sections, IAIA members can feed into the organization of each annual conference, publish different materials, and develop new lines of thought.

When you pay the non-member conference rate, you automatically become an IAIA member and are eligible to join one or more Sections.

#### WHY JOIN AN IAIA SECTION?

- Sections are a networking forum for IAIA members, where you can meet your colleagues with similar professional interests.
- Sections promote your personal professional development.
- Sections develop interesting activities that you may want to join.
- See www.iaia.org/sections/ for more information.

## WHERE CAN I FIND THE SECTIONS AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE?

- All sessions that have been organized by the Sections are clearly identified in the list of sessions online and in the final program.
- Each Section will hold at least one Section meeting during the conference, which everyone is welcome to attend.
- Rendezvous tables will be identified at lunch times, where Sections can meet informally to continue discussions.
- Section chairs will be identified by ribbons on their name tags so that you can find them during the conference.

#### ANY QUESTIONS?

Please contact Angeles Mendoza Sammet, co-chair of the Sections Coordinating Committee (angeles@ angelesmendoza.com) or the coordinator of a specific Section as listed at right, or visit www.iaia.org > Sections for more information.

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## **SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Sponsorship demonstrates your environmental consciousness to delegates from around the world while you contribute to the improvement of impact assessment locally and globally.

IAIA welcomes conference sponsorship in any amount. Sponsorship can be applied either toward specific components of the conference program (e.g., coffee breaks, plenary sessions) or as a general contribution.

### WHY SPONSOR IAIA16?

IAIA is the only interdisciplinary international association dedicated to impact assessment. Our annual conferences bring together a unique mix of experts and professionals, and a unique opportunity for you to promote your organization. Our conference in 2015 included nearly 1,000 delegates from 87 countries.

- Increase your visibility before an international audience of environmental and social professionals.
- Be recognized as a global thought leader.
- Demonstrate your commitment to sustainability and corporate social responsibility.
- Be associated with other industry leaders.
- Ensure that your company or institution information is forefront during the conference.
- Enhance your presence internationally.
- Give your staff the opportunity to network with leading practitioners and experts.
- Ensure that your company will be remembered by the delegates long after the event is over.

### WHAT BENEFITS DO SPONSORS RECEIVE?

IAIA offers five sponsorship category levels: Reef, Island, Continent, Earth, and Premier. Check out the IAIA16 Sponsorship brochure at http://conferences.iaia. org/2016/sponsors.php for a detailed breakdown of benefits by category.

Benefits include:

- Complimentary and half-price registrations
- Recognition in IAIA e-newsletter (circulation 9,000+)
- Ad space in the final program
- Online recognition on the IAIA16 sponsors page
- Recognition in final program
- Discount on exhibit booth
- Complimentary corporate IAIA membership
- Discount on training courses
- Formal recognition in IAIA16 news releases

### INTERESTED? CONTACT US!

For more details or to become a sponsor, please contact Bridget John at IAIA HQ (bridget@iaia.org | +1.701 297 7908). If you are in Japan, please contact the Japan Committee for IAIA16 (info@iaia-japan.org | +81 45 924 5550)

Check out the benefits available to your company by downloading the full IAIA16 Sponsorship Opportunities Brochure at http://conferences.iaia.org/2016/sponsors.php.

To ensure that you receive all promised benefits, please confirm your sponsorship by 18 March 2016. After that date, benefits cannot be guaranteed.

## **EXHIBITS, BOOTHS AND DISPLAY MATERIALS**

Advertise your company or demonstrate your project: prominent display space is available! Contact IAIA HQ (jen@iaia.org) before 18 March 2016 for information and rates on exhibit booths, table space, and poster panels.

A table will be provided for IAIA members to display information, distribute conference papers, or announce/distribute non-commercial items. Delegates must personally be in attendance at the conference to display materials.

## **DELEGATE PACK INSERTS**

If you would like to distribute materials (brochures, flyers, or other suitable materials) in delegate packets, contact IAIA HQ (jen@iaia.org) for rates and shipping information before 18 March 2016.

All materials must be approved by IAIA prior to inclusion in the delegate packets.

## **Royal Haskoning DHV**



# **Conference information**

#### LOCATION AND DATES

IAIA16 will take place from 11-14 May 2016 at the Nagoya Congress Center in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan, with adjunct events planned before, during and after the conference. Activities will take place at the congress center unless otherwise noted.

The address is Nagoya Congress Center, 1-1 Atsuta Nishimachi, Atsuta Ward, Nagoya, Aichi Prefecture 456-0036, Japan | Tel: +81-52-683-7711 | www.nagoyacongress-center.jp/english/.

#### LANGUAGE USED (CONFERENCE)

English is the primary language used at IAIA conferences. Unless otherwise noted, all sessions will be held in English.

#### **FINAL PROGRAM**

IAIA plans to have the final program available on the Web site approximately one month prior to the conference, and it will be available in hard copy at conference check-in at the congress center.

The preliminary program contains the tentative schedule and plans; be sure to check the final program to confirm details of activities in which you would like to participate. Please note registration deadlines for special events.

#### PUBLICATIONS

IAIA plans to publish optional conference papers and PowerPoint presentations online following the conference. A Program Committee representative will contact you with details upon acceptance of your paper or poster abstract.

Participants are encouraged to submit their papers for possible publication in IAIA's journal, *Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal*. See www.tandfonline. com/r/iapa for submission information.

#### **PRESENTATION EQUIPMENT**

PowerPoint projectors and laptop computers will be provided in each session room. Presenters are responsible for arranging and paying in advance for any other equipment needed for their presentations. Contact IAIA HQ for price information and to order equipment before 14 March 2016. Payment will be required upon on-site inquiry, and IAIA cannot guarantee that equipment will be available. If equipment is unavailable, payment will be refunded.

#### **BUSINESS SERVICES**

To avoid equipment rental costs which would necessarily be passed on to delegates in the form of higher registration fees, IAIA does not provide copying, printing, computers or other business services or equipment on-site.

Please plan to arrive prepared, or contact your hotel in advance to ensure that it offers any facilities you may need.

#### **CONFERENCE ATTIRE**

IAIA conferences are generally business casual.

#### MEALS

IAIA will provide lunches 11-13 May and coffee breaks 11-14 May.

Based on the data collected via registration forms, IAIA will estimate a percentage of vegetarian meals. This does not guarantee accommodation of individual preference.

#### ACCESSIBILITY

If you have a disability and/or have special accessibility needs and require assistance, please contact IAIA HQ (info@iaia.org | +1.701.297.7908) by 18 April 2016 to discuss your specific needs.

#### **VIDEO/AUDIO POLICY**

Individuals officially identified by IAIA may photograph, videotape, and/or audiotape conference events. By attending the conference, you agree to allow your image to be used by IAIA. Individuals are not permitted to record with personal audio or video equipment or other recording devices such as cell phones, cameras, or recorders without prior permission from IAIA and/or the speaker/presenter.

#### **REGISTRATION AND FEES**

All conference participants, including delegates, sessions chairs, invited speakers, organizers, exhibitors, and paper and poster presenters, are required to register for the conference at the full, student, or exhibitor registration rate. Contact IAIA HQ for information on exhibitor registration.

IAIA does not have funds available to pay registration and/or travel expenses for program participants.

Full and student registration fees entitle delegates to attendance at all sessions, coffee breaks 11-14 May, lunches 11-13 May, list of participants, delegate satchel, conference proceedings (as available), and special events, unless an additional fee is noted.

Delegates will receive a name badge upon check-in. The badge is an official pass and must be worn to obtain entry to conference functions. If tickets are required for any events, they will be distributed by HQ. **IAIA members:** If it is more convenient for you to pay your annual membership dues at the same time you register for the conference, please feel free to do so during the registration process. Your membership will then be extended one year from your anniversary date. Otherwise, you will receive a renewal notice on your regular membership anniversary date.

**Non-members:** The non-member rate includes a one-year membership to IAIA, with an electronic subscription to IAIA's journal, *Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal*. Your one-year membership begins when IAIA receives your conference payment.

**Students:** The student rate includes a one-year membership. If you are a current member, your membership will automatically be extended one year from your anniversary date.

Affiliate members: Members of IAIA Affiliates having an active MoU with IAIA will be admitted to the conference at the IAIA member rate. This rate does not include IAIA membership. You must provide your Affiliate's number on the PDF registration form to take advantage of this offer.

#### **PAYMENT AND REFUND POLICIES**

Registration fees should accompany the registration form. To qualify for the Early Bird rate, both the registration form and payment must be received by 5 February 2016.

Fees are accepted by MasterCard, Visa, or American Express and are charged in US Dollars (USD). Checks or money orders made payable to IAIA in USD drawn on a US bank are also accepted. Registration closes 18 April 2016.

Pre-registration and pre-payment by 18 April are required. Cash payments on-site will not be accepted.

IAIA will refund registration fees upon written request received before 18 April 2016. A US\$125 processing fee will be retained. After 18 April 2016, no refunds will be issued for cancellations or no-shows. Substitutions for paid registrants may be made in writing without financial penalty. Refunds will be issued after the conference.

#### **INSURANCE AND LIABILITY**

IAIA, the organizing committee, and the venue will not be responsible for medical expenses, accidents, losses or other unexpected damage to property belonging to conference participants, either during or as a result of the conference and during all tours and events. Participants are strongly advised to arrange their own insurance for health and accident, lost luggage and trip cancellation.

# **General information**

#### **HOST CITY**

Aichi-Nagoya, located in central Japan, is famous as the hometown of samurai culture and the nation's industrial core. The region is surrounded by natural and cultural resources, including UNESCO World Heritage sites Kyoto, Shirakawa-go Village, Kumano Old Street, and Mt. Fuji, as well as the national parks of Ise Bay and Japan Alps.

Aichi-Nagoya has a history of saving nature by its citizens. "Fujimae tidal flats" was saved from a landfill project in 1999, and most of the "Kaisho forest" was saved when the World Exposition took place in Aichi, Japan, in 2005. Being an environmentally advanced capital, Aichi-Nagoya has welcomed the United Nation's 10th Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the Convention on Biological Diversity in 2010 and a UNESCO conference on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) in 2014.

#### **CONFERENCE HOTELS**

Our conference host has arranged room blocks at a number of area hotels, with special rates during the conference. Booking details, the number of rooms available, reservation cutoff dates, hotel information, and maps are available online at www.iaia.org > IAIA16 > More Info. Please book early to ensure that your first choice is available.

#### CLIMATE

May is one of the best months to visit Japan. This season enjoys stable, comfortable weather as flowers start to bloom. In Aichi, Nagoya, temperatures range from  $16^{\circ}C / 61^{\circ}F$  to  $21^{\circ}C / 70^{\circ}F$ . Radioactivity level in Nagoya is safe, under 0.1  $\mu$ Sv/h. An information alert app for Earthquake and Tsunami warnings for foreign tourists is available at http://www.jnto.go.jp/eng/arrange/essential/emergency/safety_tips.html.

#### LANGUAGE USED (NAGOYA)

Japanese is the primary language spoken in Aichi-Nagoya and all of Japan. Some staff at large hotels and department stores may speak English, and some sign boards at the stations and airports are shown in English. English speaking volunteers will provide city information at the congress center.

#### **PASSPORTS AND VISAS**

All foreign visitors to Japan must have a valid passport. Nationals and citizens of those countries shown below are NOT required to obtain visas to enter Japan when their visits are tourism, commerce, conferences, or visiting relatives/acquaintances:

Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Barbados(*), Belgium, Brunei, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong(*), Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lesotho(*), Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macao(*), Malaysia(*), Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, San Marino, Serbia(*), Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Surinam, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan(*), Thailand(*), Tunisia, Turkey(*), United Kingdom, United States and Uruguay.

For Indonesia, a visa is not required for stays of less than 15 days (www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/short/novisa.html).

(*) For nationals of Malaysia, Thailand, and Serbia, visas are not required only for holders of ePassport in compliance with ICAO standards. For citizens of Hong Kong, visas are not required only for holders of SAR passport issued by the Hong Kong SAR of the People's Republic of China or British National Overseas (BNO) passports who have the right of residence in Hong Kong. For citizens of Macao, visas are not required only for holders of SAR passport issued by the Macao SAR of the People's Republic of China. For citizens of Taiwan, visas are not required only for holders of Taiwan passport which includes a personal identification number. For nationals of Barbados, Turkey, and Lesotho, visas are not required only for holders of Machine-Readable Passport (MRP) or ePassport in compliance with ICAO standards.

The information listed here can change at any time; visit http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index. html for application instructions and up-to-date details.

Please make your visa applications early, as the process can take weeks to months in some cases. If you need a visa invitation letter, please contact info@iaia.org at the time you send your registration or no later than 18 April 2016. Requests received after this date will not be accommodated.

#### **TRANSPORTATION TO NAGOYA**

Central Japan International Airport is located 35 km (about 30 minutes by car) from the city. Nagoya is also well served by bus and train.

#### **TRANSPORTATION WITHIN NAGOYA**

Nagoya has an excellent subway system, which is clearly signposted in English and Japanese.

#### **BUSINESS HOURS**

Most businesses have the following opening hours: Monday to Friday: 9:00-17:00 / Saturday to Sunday: 10:00-20:00. Banks and post offices are closed on the weekends, and most museums are closed on Mondays.

#### **CURRENCY AND CREDIT CARDS**

The official currency in all of Japan is the Yen (¥). Credit, debit and prepaid cards of international brands are accepted at a wide variety of merchants.

Banks and post offices provide travelers' checks and foreign exchange services. Hotels provide foreign exchange services for their guests only. To convert foreign travelers' checks to Japanese yen, you will need to show your passport.

You can withdraw money with an international credit or debit card at Japan Post Bank ATMs and Seven Bank ATMs (in Seven-Eleven stores all over Japan). Check the signage on the machine to ensure your card is accepted.

#### TIPPING

Tipping is not common practice in Japan. It is not required for service in places like restaurants, hotels, taxis, and beauty salons, as fees for service are already included in the bill.

#### ELECTRICITY

The voltage used throughout Japan is 100 volts, AC. There are two kinds of frequencies in use: 60 Hertz in western Japan (including Nagoya, Kyoto and Osaka) and 50 Hertz in eastern Japan. Plugs have two flat pins, and outlets fit two prongs only; a 3-prong to 2-prong adaptor is therefore necessary if your device has a 3-prong plug. It is advisable to purchase a plug adapter and/or voltage converter before you arrive in Japan.

#### **SMOKING**

Smoking while standing or walking along streets in the Public Non-Smoking Areas (Nagoya Station, Sakae, Kanayama, and Fujigaoka) is prohibited. Smoking in public spaces in these areas carries a 2,000 yen fine. Smoking is allowed in designated smoking rooms and smoking areas.

#### TAXES

Consumption tax (VAT, GST or sales tax) is 8% on all items in Japan. Taxes can be refunded or waived at a limited number of major electronics and department stores when over 10,000 yen is spent at a given store on one day. For consumable goods, such as foods, medicines and cosmetics, the consumption tax is waived for purchases of over 5000 yen, but the package of such goods must be kept unbroken until after departure from Japan. A passport is required for this tax-free shopping. Refunds can be given at a store's customer service desk or at an Overseas VAT Refund Point (Global Blue) at the airport. For more details, visit http://www.jnto.go.jp/eng/pdf/shopping/duty_free. pdf.

#### **TOURISM INFORMATION**

There are four tourist information centers in Nagoya and one information counter at the airport.

- Tourist Information Centers in Nagoya (http://www. nagoya-info.jp/en/icenter/)
- Nagoya International Center (http://www. nic-nagoya.or.jp/en/e/) Help in English, Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese, Korean, Filipino, French, and Vietnamese.
- Chubu Airport Information Counter (http:// www.centrair.jp/en/services/guide/tourguide. html#anc01)
- Japan National Tourism Organization (PC: http:// www.jnto.go.jp/ Mobile: http://m.japan.travel/eng/ index.php) Help in 14 languages.

#### **OTHER HELPFUL SITES**

- http://www.jnto.go.jp/eng/
- http://www.nagoya-info.jp/en/
- http://www.centrair.jp/en/

# IAIA16 registration form

#### **1 | DELEGATE INFORMATION**

Please fill out form completely. Type or print neatly in BLOCK letters. Be sure to include your name and organization exactly as you would like that information to appear on your delegate badge. Pre-registration and pre-payment by 18 April 2016 is required. Registrations will not be accepted on-site.

Today's date (m	nonth)/ (day)/20 (year)	)		
□ Mr □ Ms First name		Last (family) name		
Title		Organization		
Address		City		
State/Province	Postal Code		Country	
Phone +	Fax +	E-mail		

#### 2 | REGISTRATION FEES (all fees in US\$)

IAIA Member ID#		Affiliate ID#	
	Early	<b>Bird</b> (by 5 February)	Regular
IAIA member/Affiliate member		🖬 \$625	🖵 \$730
Renew my membership, too	!		
1 Year 2 Years 3 Years	\$209	<ul> <li>Price includes electronic Contact IAIA HQ for p paper copies of IAPA.</li> </ul>	pricing with
Non-member		🖵 \$755	🖵 \$860
Student (proof of current enrollment	required)		🖵 \$250

#### **3 | PRE-CONFERENCE TRAINING COURSES**

Pre-registration and pre-payment by 14 March is required. After 14 March, registration acceptance is subject to availability, instructor consent, and receipt of payment. Courses may not be switched after 18 April.

1. Human Rights and Impact Assessment	9-10 May	<b>\$</b> 475
2. Integrating Ecosystem Services	9-10 May	<b>\$</b> 475
3. Mainstreaming Biodiversity in IA	9-10 May	<b>\$</b> 475
4. How to Maximize the Value and Effect of SIA	9-10 May	<b>\</b> \$475
5. Organized Reasoning and EIA	9-10 May	<b>\</b> \$475
6. Quality Assurance in EIA	9-10 May	<b>\$</b> 475
7. Resilience Assessment Tools	9-10 May	<b>\</b> \$475
8. One Term—Various Meanings: SEA	9-10 May	<b>\</b> \$475
9. State of the Art Sustainability Assessment	9-10 May	<b>\$</b> 475
10. Structural Methods for Risk Reduction	10 May	<b>\$</b> 275
Non-IAIA16 delegates		🖵 add \$75

### 4 | TECHNICAL VISITS

Pre-payment is required for technical visits. After 14 March, registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until 18 April or the maximum number of paid participants is reached. Please note the liability information.

A.	World Heritage: Mt. Fuji	9 May	# persons @\$200 = \$
Β.	EIA & Sustainable Decisions	9 May	# persons @\$90 = \$
C.	Ecofriendly Development	10 May	# persons @\$115 = \$
D.	History of Ise Grand Shrine	10 May	# persons @\$130 = \$
E.	Past, Present, Future Yokkaichi	10 May	# persons @\$170 = \$
F.	Resilience Earthquake & Flood	14 May	# persons @\$90 = \$

#### **5 | SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS**

Welcome reception*	11 May #1	Persons: Delegate	s	Guests
Banquet*	13 May	# Persons	@	\$55 = \$
Fun Run	12 May	# Persons	@	\$5 = \$

#### 6 MEAL PREFERENCE

I prefer vegetarian meals

🗅 Yes

#### 7 | PAYMENT INFORMATION

* Starred activities are tentative pending sponsorship.

	Registration fee	US\$	
Mem	bership renewal	US\$	
Tota	of activities fees	US\$	
Т	otal amount due	US\$	

Pre-payment by 18 April 2016 is required. Cash payments on-site will not be accepted.

Charge to	🗆 Visa	MasterCard	American Express
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3 or 4 digit CCV code on back of card _____

Expiration date ____ / ____ (month/year)

Print name on card

Authorized signature

**Check or money order** in US\$ drawn on a US bank drawn enclosed.

□ Wire transfer in US\$. (Contact info@iaia.org for wire transfer instructions. Registrations will not be processed until full payment has been received.)

#### 8 | SEND REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

BY E-MAIL info@iaia.org

**BY FAX** +1.701.297.7917

BY POST 1330 23rd St S, Suite C Fargo, ND 58103 USA REGISTER ONLINE conferences.iaia.org/2016

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## **Committees | About the hosts**

### ABOUT IAIA

#### IAIA as an organization promotes the following:

- We compile or review impact assessments with integrity and honesty, and free from misrepresentation or deliberate bias.
- Our personal beliefs should not interfere with fair representation of the potential impacts of policies, plans, programs, and projects.
- We uphold the principle of freedom of access to information and the right of citizens to participate in decisions.
- We subscribe to a holistic approach to impact assessment.
- We seek sustainable and equitable outcomes from human actions that affect ecosystem and social functions.
- We will seek to encourage a process of impact assessment that averts infringement of the human rights of any section of society.
- We do not condone the use of violence, harassment, intimidation or undue force in connection with any aspect of impact assessment or implementation of an intervention arising from impact assessment.
- We conduct impact assessments in the awareness that different groups in society experience benefits and harm in different ways. We seek to take gender and other social differences into account, and we are especially mindful of the concerns of Indigenous peoples.

We strive to promote considerations of equity as a fundamental element of impact assessment.

We give due regard to the rights and interests of future generations.

- We strive for excellence by maintaining and enhancing our own knowledge and skills, by encouraging the professional development of co-workers, and by fostering the aspirations of potential members of the profession.
- We do not advance our private interests to the detriment of the public, our clients or employing institutions.

#### SUSTAINABLE CONFERENCES

Does IAIA practice what it preaches? Yes, and more so every year. IAIA takes the following steps (as practical and possible) to mitigate the impacts of our conferences:

- Limit printed materials; communicate via e-mail and Web to the extent practical and possible
- Contract with venues that participate in green programs (e.g., hotels that provide a linen and towel reuse program)
- Use bulk servings and pitchers rather than individual bottles; use china and silverware rather than disposables
- · Provide recycling bins for discarded paper products
- · Ask delegates to confirm their attendance at events and functions to reduce waste and leftovers
- Encourage delegates to purchase carbon-offset credits for their flights
- Encourage delegates to return name badge holders
- Prepare a sustainable event report



#### **Reducing the Carbon Footprint**

IAIA continues to strongly support the need to reduce our carbon footprint around our conferences.

To this end, we will be partnering with a local program selected by our host to offset our footprint. \$5.00 of your registration will be contributed toward a donation to the program.

Delegates are welcome to make additional suggestions on the IAIA16 conference evaluation form (which will be distributed electronically to delegates following the conference) or by contacting IAIA HQ at any time.

#### **PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

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## Important dates and deadlines

Please note dates are firm.

#### 30 November 2015

Paper and poster abstract submission deadline

#### 11 December 2015

Student fee waiver application deadline

#### 5 February 2016

- Early Bird rate ends
- Last date authors and presenters may register and pay in full to be included in the final program

#### 29 February 2016

• Five-page draft papers due (optional)

#### 14 March 2016

- Deadline for technical visit and training course registration
- Requests for special audio-visual equipment due
- Mentor/Mentee participant forms due

#### 18 March 2016

- Sponsorship confirmation needed to be recognized in final program
- Deadline for exhibitors and requests for inserts in delegate bags

#### 6 April 2016

• Paper reviews completed; draft papers posted online

#### 18 April 2016

Registration closes

#### 26 June 2016

Revised papers due for posting online

## IAIA16 at-a-glance

Monday, 9 May	
Training courses	All day
Technical visits	All day
Tuesday, 10 May	
Training courses	All day
Technical visits	All day
Wednesday, 11 May	
Plenary, forums, sessions	All day
Poster session	Afternoon
Welcome reception*	Evening
Thursday, 12 May	
Fun Run	Morning
Plenary, forums, sessions, AGM	All day
Social networking (Dine Outs)	Evening
Friday, 13 May	
Plenary, forums, session, Council meeting	All day
Banquet*	Evening
Saturday, 14 May	
Concurrent sessions, closing	Morning
Technical visit	Afternoon

* To be confirmed pending sponsorship.







**SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE!** 

See page 19 for information.



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