



42nd Annual Conference of the
International Association for Impact Assessment

8-11 May 2023

Resilience through impact assessment and leadership

How can impact assessment and leadership accelerate transformation and sustain resilience in a world marred by adversities that require immediate, impactful solutions?

Our 21st century world is volatile, uncertain, complex, and ambiguous. Corporations, governments, and societies have always had to embrace change in order to operate successfully during turbulent times. However, recent events such as the COVID-19 pandemic suggest that change alone is insufficient. Instead, leaders today must ensure that change is both agile and transformative so that adversities can be fought with resilience and effectiveness.

The world is not short of adversities, ranging from climate change to global humanitarian crises. Ensuring the health and resilience of the triple bottom line of prosperity, people, and planet should become a non-negotiable top priority for all to achieve greater sustainability.

Against this backdrop, IAIA23 calls for empirical and pragmatic contributions that showcase how impact assessment and leadership can accelerate transformation and sustain resilience in a world that requires immediate, impactful solutions. The rationale for this call is twofold: 1) what gets assessed has the possibility to get leadership attention, and 2) what gets leadership attention gets actioned.

Conference objective

The overarching objective is to create a path to resilience through impact assessment and leadership. To accomplish this objective, IAIA23 endeavors to curate a collection of presentations relating to conceptual advances and contextual applications of impact assessment that exemplify agility, transformation, innovation, leadership, sustainability, and resilience.



FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR SESSION PROPOSALS

Session proposal deadline:
28 July 2022

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About Kuching

Exotic and vibrant Kuching, Sarawak, is poised on the world's third largest island, Borneo. A haven of charming cultural heritage, invigorating adventure, and breathtaking natural wonders in ancient rainforests and towering mountains, natural resources (timber, oil, and gas among them), and quaint colonial architecture, Sarawak has a stunning backdrop of cultural diversity and avant-garde city development to match.



About the host

Swinburne is a world-ranked university leading the way in innovation, industry engagement and social inclusion. Our education, high-quality research and industry partnerships create positive change for students, staff, and the community.

Submission information

Procedure

Conference submissions take place in three phases.

Session proposals. Session proposals are invited from mid-May to 28 July 2022. Accepted sessions are listed on the web site.

Paper and poster abstract submissions. From 5 September to 7 November 2022, papers and posters are invited to the accepted sessions listed online. Accepted papers and posters with the primary author registered by 8 February 2023 (**no exceptions**) are listed in the final program.

Papers for online proceedings. From mid-February to 30 June 2023, paper and poster presenters are invited to prepare 5-page papers to be included in online proceedings. Preliminary instructions for paper preparation and submission are provided to authors upon both submission and acceptance of a paper or poster abstract.

How to send a session proposal or a paper/poster abstract

Follow the instructions at conferences.iaia.org/2023.

Submissions as a session chair, session co-chair, or presenter/speaker are limited to one per person.

Language

Submissions should be in English. English is the primary language used at IAIA conferences.

Acceptance and registration

Session chairs and paper or poster authors will receive an immediate confirmation of successful online submission. If you do not receive an immediate confirmation of submission, do not assume it has been submitted; please try again or contact jen@iaia.org for assistance.

The Program Committee will notify session chairs of acceptance status for sessions by 29 August 2022.

Session chairs will notify authors of papers or posters of acceptance status by 5 December 2022.

All session chairs and presenting authors or speakers listed in the final program are required to submit a registration form, with full conference fees paid, by 8 February 2023 (no exceptions). Please submit a session proposal or abstract only if you will have funding to cover your travel and registration and can register and pay by this date. Individuals not able to comply with this registration requirement will not be included in the program and proceedings.

REMEMBER: Early registration will also save you money! IAIA does not have funds available to pay registration and travel expenses for program participants.

Special meetings

Special meetings in conjunction with the conference must be listed in the preliminary program and on the registration form. Please contact IAIA HQ (kayla@iaia.org) for a proposal form. Forms must be received by 1 September 2022.

Important dates: Mark your calendar

Session proposals

■ **28 July 2022**
Deadline for session proposals

Paper & poster abstracts

■ **29 August 2022**
Session chairs notified of acceptance status

■ **5 September 2022**
Paper and poster abstract submission opens

■ **7 November 2022**
Deadline for submission of paper or poster abstract

■ **5 December 2022**
Authors notified of paper or poster acceptance status

■ Preliminary program information will be posted as it becomes available. Information will be complete by 1 October.



Special meetings

■ **1 September 2022**
Special meeting proposal forms due

Registration deadline

■ **8 February 2023**
Registration and payment deadline for presenters and all individuals to be listed in the final program and proceedings

No exceptions

Proceedings

■ **3 May 2023**
Deadline for draft papers

■ **30 June 2023**
Deadline for final papers

Technical visits, training courses, and more

In addition to conference sessions, training courses, and special meetings, we are planning a range of technical visits that will involve learning, networking, and laughter as you are introduced to this unique region. Examples of potential technical visits:

■ Trienekens Sarawak and Semenggoh Wildlife Rehabilitation

Centre: Trienekens is a holistic environmental management system that integrates the process of collection, transportation, and disposal of both municipal and hazardous waste using modern environmental technology. Spend the afternoon exploring one of Borneo's endangered species, the orangutan.

■ Batang Ai:

Batang Ai is renowned as the site of the oldest Iban settlements in Sarawak. The hydroelectric dam at Batang Ai is the first milestone project creating renewable energy managed by Sarawak Energy. While many communities were resettled as part of the dam project, a number of Iban longhouses have remained above the floodwaters. Participants will have the opportunity to stay overnight at one of these longhouses and learn about the tribe's unique lifestyle.

