International Association of Impact Assessment - Ireland & UK Branch

Draft Branch Vision:

"To enhance the reputation and quality of Impact Assessment in Ireland and the UK through an active network of professionals"

The Branch Committee wish to build on the UK & Ireland's global standing as a world leader in the field of Impact Assessment (IA). We will do this by encouraging the quality and standard of both IA processes and outputs to be improved across the profession. Through this we will work towards improving the reputation of the field of IA as a whole with practitioners and individuals / organisations that use its products or are associated with its processes.

To achieve this, the Branch will provide opportunities for networking, discussion and debate within the IA profession and with wider organisations / individuals. This networking will be based around an active membership across the Branch area and within its component nations and regions. Whilst we will focus on the needs of our members we will ensure our activities engage the wider IA community.

The Branch must grow if it is to satisfy these ambitions and therefore sets a target of attaining a membership of 450 by the end of 2010. Our current members are keen to improve their IA skills and knowledge, thus our growth must be based an ability to show the demonstrable benefits of membership to current and potential future members. To this end the Branch Committee commits to achieve the following:

- 1. Undertake a minimum of 4 events per year (1 of which will be held on the Island of Ireland),
- 2. Branch events will, where possible, contribute to the accumulation of Continuing Professional Development (CPD),
- 3. Produce a quarterly 'IA Update' covering current and future developments / issues in IA across Ireland and the UK,
- 4. Provide a mechanism for members who want an opportunity to influence consultations that affect their field of work through the production of Branch responses.
- 5. Promotion of the Branch and the benefits of membership to IA professionals wherever an appropriate opportunity presents itself.

Signed

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