

Impact Assessment for Industrial Development

Whose Business Is It?

Call for Submissions

24th Annual Meeting of the International Association for Impact Assessment 26-29 April 2004

Sheraton Wall Centre Hotel
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

*The Environmental Professional's Forum
bringing together environmental decision-makers,
industry and community leaders, and professional
practitioners.*

Hosts: The three Canadian affiliates of IAIA

- Western and Northern Canada Affiliate
- Association québécoise pour l'évaluation d'impacts
- Ontario Association for Impact Assessment

IAIA'04 Major Theme

Over their life cycles, projects have impacts on their environs. The private sector is, increasingly, the driving force behind projects.

As a result, the private sector has also become a critical player in impact assessment. Increasingly, it is private sector people who design, fund, implement and follow up on impact assessments.

How have industry, commerce and finance contributed to impact assessment in the past? How might their roles change as impact assessment evolves in the future? What models do we have for an innovative private sector involvement in the IA community? What has the private sector learned that might help the IA community to become more efficient and effective in its work?

These are the kinds of questions the Vancouver Conference will focus on — the role of the private sector in impact assessments, including implications for improving the professional practice and processes of impact assessment.

At the IAIA'04 annual conference event to be held in Vancouver in April 2004, the major theme is "Industry and Impact Assessment".

Contribute to this theme. Share your ideas with and learn from a truly international organization. Participants from over 90 countries will be there.

The IAIA'04 conference event offers an opportunity for experts, decision makers, industry, and professionals of different visions and expertise to:

- exchange ideas
- discuss experiences on matters of environmental assessment
- share lessons learned
- seek agreement and better collaboration on building capacity in impact assessment

Conference Topics

Sessions will target major industrial activities such as oil and gas, electric power, mining and project financing. Papers, posters and workshops are invited on all aspects of the conference theme, the following topics and the work of IAIA Sections. The conference theme will be examined through the lens of sessions such as:

- Social impact assessment
- Public involvement
- Land use planning and natural resource management
- Agriculture and forestry
- Industry
- Energy development
- Water management
- Transportation
- Trade

Other areas of interest include:

- Cumulative impact assessment
- Environmental follow-up
- Environmental management systems
- Biodiversity
- Health impact assessment
- Technology assessment
- Strategic environmental assessment
- Environmental legislation
- Impact assessment and indigenous people

IAIA'04 Canada

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Submission Instructions

1. Title of submission.
2. Specify format. Paper; poster; or workshop/session.
3. Complete name(s) of author(s) and complete contact information for each author (organization, street address, city, state/province, postal code, country, phone, fax and e-mail, URL if applicable). Contact information will be published as provided by the author.
4. Name of presenting author: All correspondence will be directed to this person.
5. Abstract. 300 words maximum. Excess will be deleted.
6. Key words.
7. Indicate under which conference topic you would like to submit your paper (paper submissions only). Feel free to suggest topics not already listed.
8. Any brief additional information you think may be useful to the Program Committee, including the link with the major theme of the conference.

Deadlines

- 15 August 2003 (workshops/sessions)
- 15 October 2003 (paper and poster abstracts)

Languages English or French

How to Send

E-mail is preferred. Place your abstract (plain text only) in the body of the e-mail message. Do not send attachments. In the subject line, write **primary author's last name-04 abstract** (Example: McDonald-04 abstract). You may submit more than one abstract; however, only one abstract per e-mail, please.

Send to IAIA HQ in care of Jennifer Howell (jen@iaia.org). If e-mail submission is not possible, fax to the HQ at +1.701.297.7917. Send only once.

Acceptance & Registration

Please allow 2-3 weeks for IAIA HQ to notify you that your abstract has been received, and reviewed according to Program Committee guidelines. Following preliminary acceptance by HQ, the presenting author is required to submit the registration form and full conference fees before the submission will be confirmed on the final program by the Program Committee.

The deadline for presenter registration is 28 February 2004. After that time, submissions with the presenting author not registered will be dropped from consideration.

REMEMBER: early registration will save you money!

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

IAIA'04 activities will include training courses, special sessions, workshops, technical visits, social events, and more.

The preliminary program and registration materials will be available on the web site and from IAIA HQ in October 2003.

Registration and Fees (US\$)

IAIA member	Non-member*	IAIA Student Member	Student Non-member*
Early Bird (received by 15 December 2003)			
\$400	\$500	\$250	\$300
Regular (received by 31 January 2004)			
\$450	\$550	\$325	\$375
Late/Onsite			
\$550	\$650	\$350	\$400

*The non-member rate automatically registers you for a 1-year membership to IAIA.

About IAIA

The International Association for Impact Assessment is an interdisciplinary society dedicated to developing international capacity to anticipate, plan, and manage the consequences of development. The Association has over 2,500 members in over 100 countries. IAIA seeks to ensure that political, environmental, social and technological dimensions of decisions are understood by those making them.

About Vancouver

Vancouver, on Canada's west coast, will provide an exciting backdrop for IAIA'04. The city is blessed with an abundance of natural beauty and ecological diversity with wide open spaces, coastal landscapes, majestic rainforest and rugged mountains. What better setting to engage in discussions on the important role of environmental assessment in protecting the environment and helping to manage the liveability of communities.

Greater Vancouver, with a population of over two million people, will provide conference participants with a variety of activities to keep their minds and bodies fully engaged. Whether it is walking or jogging the seawall around the world-famous Stanley Park nestled in the heart of the city, taking in the sights from the nearby Grouse Mountain, enjoying a trolley or boat tour; or savouring the city's broad cultural mosaic, Vancouver has much to offer the conference participant. And the conference hotel, the Sheraton Wall Centre, is located in the city's downtown near most of Vancouver's attractive sites.

Vancouver International Airport is the largest on Canada's west coast, and one of the world's major airports. There are flights daily to and from every continent.



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