

IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND HUMAN WELL-BEING

29TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR IMPACT ASSESSMENT

23 29 MAY 2009 - GIMPA GREENHILL - ACCRA, GHANA

NEW DATE: 16-22 MAY 2009

NEW LOCATION: ACCRA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTER

CALL FOR PAPERS AND POSTERS

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 15 JANUARY 2009

CONFERENCE THEME

How do you promote human well-being and protection of ecosystems when evaluating proposed development Policies, Plans, Programs, and Projects (PPPPs)?

Human well-being depends on ecosystem services, and a healthy environment is essential for improving development and human well-being. Impact assessment aims at ensuring a healthy environment, ultimately leading to improved human well-being.

This conference will assess the relevance of human well-being in impact assessments. IAIAog will involve you in discussions with experts from around the globe focusing on how impact assessment assures:

- Healthy environment
- Human well-being
- Sustainable development
- Protected ecosystems
- Quality of life

CONFERENCE TOPICS

IAIAog participants are encouraged to highlight how the various instruments of impact assessment can assist developers, industry, decision-makers, development cooperation providers and the public with ensuring and promoting human well-being by integrating environmental, social, economic, and other concerns in the fields of:

- Climate change and human well-being
- · Environment and human well-being
- Globalization and human well-being
- Environmental assessment administration in Africa
- Extractive industry
- Tourism
- Land use planning
- Coastal zone management
- Environmental governance in Africa
- Sustainable production and consumption
- Environmental compliance and enforcement
- Environmental liability and funding

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Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Environment (MLGRDE)

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This symbol reminds everyone to give a helping hand to strengthen the community in which he or she lives.



At left: Kente cloth, a traditional woven fabric.

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

DEADLINES

- 15 January 2009: Paper and poster abstracts
- 28 February 2009: Registration for organizers and presenters.

LANGUAGE

English

HOW TO SEND

Follow the instructions at www.iaia.org > Conferences > IAIAog.

ACCEPTANCE & REGISTRATION

Authors will receive an immediate confirmation of receipt with successful online submission. The Program Committee will notify authors of acceptance status by 28 January 2009.

The paper or poster's presenting author is required to submit a registration form, with full conference fees paid, by 28 February 2009. Presenters not able to comply with this requirement will be dropped from the program.

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

PROGRAM

In addition to conference session, workshops, and training courses, you will also be able to choose technical visits and sightseeing tours, including Lake Volta/Akosombo Dam, deepwater Tema Port, a cocoa processing factory, gold mines, national parks, and more.

The preliminary program and registration materials will be posted on the web site as they become available.

Join the IAIAog mailing list! Contact impact@iaia.org to be notified of program updates and information, and watch www.iaia.org for details.

WELCOME TO ACCRA, GHANA

Accra is the capital of the Republic of Ghana. Located on the Atlantic coast, Accra was originally built around a port, and its architecture ranges from large and elegant 19th Century colonial buildings to modern high rise buildings. Accra is also home to an impressive National Theatre and the Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park, where independence was declared in 1957.

The University of Ghana, with its distinctive buildings set among elegant tree-lined gardens, is close to the conference venue, just 14km north of Accra. Accra is also known for Makola, the famous large and busy open air market. Three forts and castles, including the famous Christianborg Castle, which is currently the seat of government, all lie within Accra.

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VISITING GHANA

Close to the center of the earth where the Equator and the Greenwich Meridian meet, Ghana is bordered by the Atlantic Ocean to the south and three French-speaking African countries: Burkina Faso (north), La Cote d'Ivoire (west), and Togo (east).

Ghana is the first sub-Saharan independent African country and has beautiful beaches and former slave forts along the coast; Lake Volta, the largest man-made lake by surface area in the world; and the only forest canopy walkway tour in Africa at the Kakum National Park.

Come and experience these and other attractions and the remnants of the euphoria of the 50th Independence Celebrations, African Cup of Nations Tournament, AU Summit, and the UNCTAD Conference.

ABOUT IAIA

For nearly 30 years, the International Association for Impact Assessment has been holding annual conference events that bring together impact assessment professionals and environmental decision makers from government, academia, industry, and donor agencies for networking and professional exchange. IAIA promotes best practice in impact assessment and has members from over 120 nations.

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