

IAIA Mid-Term Report

1. Committee name

Training & Professional Development Committee

2. Name of Chair: Lee Wilson

3. Liaison: Bobbi Schijf

4. Members:

- Olivia Bina, Portugal
- Linda Ghanime, UNDP
- Ainhoa Gonzalez, Ireland
- Keryn James, Australia
- Ausra Jurkeviciute, Hungary
- Stina Lundström, Sweden
- Mary Ellen MacCallum, Canada
- Russel J. Maharaj, Trinidad & Tobago
- Karen Shippey, South Africa
- Akira Tanaka, Japan
- Petrie van Gent, Netherlands
- Leslie E. Wildesen, USA

5. General responsibilities

- *Promote Professional Development in Impact Assessment:*
 - identify training needs
 - review and recommend pre-conference training courses
 - develop and nurture liaison with other professional organizations
 - recommend topics for IAIA journal submissions
 - identify and foster research on environmental assessment issues
 - as appropriate, suggest topics for IAIA conference events
- *Promote/Develop/Nurture Environmental Impact Assessment Resources and Professional Networking Among IAIA Members*
 - Training Forum is an example
- *Promote Training Development with IAIA Membership:*
 - assist IAIA Branches and Affiliates in the development of specific training initiatives, as feasible, on request
 - develop and implement quality assurance measures in all IAIA training activities
 - analyze and encourage training in IAIA Branches and Affiliates, on request

6. Action plan 2005 - 2006

- Annual review of training course proposals
- Support and improve Training web site
- Develop IAIA partnerships regarding UNEP manual
- Work toward guidance on SEA training
- Support Marrakech Plan of Action including inventory of training programs and training needs

7. Accomplishments

- 12 course proposals received and reviewed, on schedule
- Follow up on Marrakech Plan of Action meeting, October 2004

8. Proposed action plan goals for the next year.

- Continue to develop training web-site
- Course review for IAIA '06
- Implement board direction in response to special report
- Implement Marrakech assignments

9. Submit any recommendations or proposals to the Board along with this report. Use the IAIA Decision making Format (below).