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Draft UNEP Sustainable Development Manual Discussed

At a review meeting on 14-15 May 2007, experts exchanged views on the first draft of the "Operational Manual on Integrated Policymaking for Sustainable Development," prepared by the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (National University of Singapore) for the UNEP Economics and Trade Branch. Attending were representatives from inter-governmental agencies, national governments, think-tanks and civil society. Suggestions for improving the manual included:

- Add guidance on different entry points for different actors in realistic policy situations
- Incorporate capacity-building elements in each chapter
- Emphasize synergies among the three dimensions of sustainable development
- Identify linkages to previous assessment work
- Highlight public participation as a consistent theme throughout the manual

Reviewers also recommended a typology of different IPSD applications with their respective scopes and audiences. A revised document is expected for review in July 2007. The draft manual and related information can be found at www.unep. ch/etb. • Katharina Peschen • UNEP Economics and Trade Branch • katharina. peschen@unep.ch

EIA, the Sustainable Development Agenda, and African Development

African governments have made significant efforts to implement EIA requirements in policy, law and environmental governance structures, but several factors, particularly EIA review and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) implementation and follow-up, have impeded effectiveness of EIA systems.

CLEAA, an African network of EIA institutions, and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) held a workshop on 12–13 April 2007 to address the effectiveness of EIA systems in Africa, focusing on issues of the quality and financial sustainability of EIA review, follow-up and compliance. Workshop participants included regulators, EA association representatives, private consultants, and representatives of partner, donor and other institutions.

A primary follow-up activity is to seek endorsement of the workshop recommendations in key multilateral forums (ECA ministerial conference and AMCEN), to enhance both the impact of the workshop and fundability/donor appeal of CLEAA activities. The workshop report was presented at IAIA07 in Seoul, and is available at www.encapafrica.org/cleaa. htm#projects. For further information contact Abdulrahman Issa (issa@iucn.or.tz), CLEAA Coordinator. • Maureen A. Babu • The World Conservation Union (IUCN) Maureen.babu@iucn.org

New Thai National Health Act

The Thai National Health Act (B.E. 2550, 2007) was recently approved and entered into force on the 19th of March. The ambitious legislation includes several sections on health impact assessment (HIA), addressing the right of Thai people to demand a HIA be conducted and to participate in the HIA process, as well as requiring the development of guidelines and procedures for HIA by the newly established National Health Committee.

According to the Act, HIA is designed to be a "social learning process," developed so that all stakeholders in society can be involved in examining the health impacts of policies, projects or activities that have already affected or may affect groups of people. This social learning process involves identifying and supporting the most appropriate alternative in public decision-making processes with the goal of protecting and promoting the health of all people in Thai society.

For more information on the Act, contact suphakijn@yahoo. com. • Suphakij Nuntavorakarn • Health Public Policy Foundation

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Is IAIA Helping You as a Professional?

Please join me in a rousing cheer for IAIA07 in Seoul and in thanking our Korean hosts, the Korea Ministry of Environment, the Korea Environmental Institute and the Korea Society of Environmental Impact Assessment. As IAIA president I am grateful to our hosts for their organization of the program and the event, their kind welcome and their graciousness. We thank also the sponsors who supported our lunches, dinners and tea and coffee breaks.

In my first note "from the president," I am drawing from the presidential address given June 8 at the closing plenary in Seoul, specifically the portion "Is IAIA Helping You as a Professional?" In the President-Elect's Survey, to which about 250 IAIA members responded, members indicated they generally found IAIA services to be helpful, in order of importance—the journal, newsletter, conference networking and sessions, monthly e-news, access to the IAIA Web site and headquarters' services. The IAIA Sections, however, were not considered to be very helpful to you. In addition, members wanted more networking through Sections, more help in professional development—through the Web site and Sections, better access to conference information through Web streaming conference sessions, more stipends for international conferences and more regional conferences. In general, you wanted more access to best practices, lessons learned, examples of good practice, tips, principles and standards through the Web site, blogs or other interactive forums. Prior to and during the conference, I conferred with the Sections Coordinator and I am delighted to report that Lea den Broeder and the Section Chairs will be submitting an Action Plan to the Board in October in order to strengthen and enhance the role of Sections, including some housekeeping issues, such as which members participate in each Section and adding new members to each Section, as well as how to facilitate professional development and networking, promote good practices, provide lessons learned and examples, improve Section Web pages and stimulate multi-Section activities and links.

The survey also revealed that better recognition and visibility of IAIA was important to you, including liaison with international organizations. You wanted more industry and corporate involvement, also another sign of recognition and visibility of IAIA. We now have a new corporate membership option. Concerning international organizations, we also have progress. In Seoul, Robert Bos and Maria Neira, representing WHO, Ben Cave representing IAIA's Health Impact Assessment Section, Ross Marshall, Rita Hamm and I discussed the annual action plan for the Memorandum of Understanding signed by WHO and IAIA. Our objectives for the coming year entail proposals for joint activities in training and establishing stronger WHO-IAIA links through potential joint projects. The IAIA Board has also agreed to establish a task force within the Training and Professional Development Committee to study professional registry for members, another way to increase professional visibility. The journal, Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal, is a key element of our visibility and we would like to see it become part of the Social Science Citation Index (SSCI). To do so, we need you to cite IAPA when you submit articles to other journals that are part of that index, as that is a determinant in IAPA's becoming part of the SSCI. We recognize that another part of our face to the world is the IAIA Web site, which some of you may have noticed was changed in the past several months; unfortunately, the overhaul of the Web site that IAIA Headquarters and the Board wanted has not produced results to our satisfaction. We vow to get this right and IAIA will be engaging a new consultant to help us.

Improving IAIA services and enhancing IAIA's recognition require your help. IAIA Headquarters staff, the Board and I will work for you, but we can only do so much. IAIA needs you. **My plea and my challenge to you is: Pledge to do one of the following for IAIA this year:**

- Deliver one corporate or organization membership (brochure available from HQ)
- Contribute a newsletter article
- If you are a new member, renew your membership
- Find a new member or convince one new member to stay
- Become active in a Section or Committee
- · Volunteer to mentor a young professional
- Write to me and propose another contribution to make IAIA more effective, increase its membership or improve its visibility.

Lastly, I thank you for entrusting the presidency of IAIA to me for 2007-2008. I encourage you to communicate with me and with HQ. This is your organization. Let us work together, because IAIA matters and impact assessment matters to us and to our future.

• Charlotte Bingham, IAIA President • Millennium Challenge Corporation • binghamc@mcc.gov

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We are working to improve services and enhance IAIA's recognition, but we need your help.

Conferences • • •

IAIA08: The Art and Science of Impact Assessment

The five members of the IAIA08 Steering Committee who were at IAIA07 came away from Seoul full of enthusiasm and great ideas (many put forward by other conference participants) to make the next conference in Perth a huge success. Our vision for IAIA08 is an inclusive and integrated conference, both programmatically and socially, and we hope that many of you will be able to make the journey to be part of it. Over the next few months we will be focused on preparing the preliminary programme, in collaboration with the IAIA Sections, and the call for submissions for theme forums, concurrent sessions, and special pre-conference meetings will be open until 10 September. The submissions Web site will be open for business shortly, and in the meantime we hope that you are all liaising with colleagues and coming up with ideas for session proposals for Perth, especially ones that cross the traditional divides within IAIA and bring together people and ideas in new and innovative ways. Please feel free to contact us—for any matters relating to the programme, please contact Jenny Pope (jennypope@bigpond.com) and for any general IAIA08 matters, please contact Angus Morrison-Saunders (a.morrison-saunders@murdoch.edu.au). • Jenny Pope and Angus Morrison-Saunders, on behalf of the IAIA08 planning team

Mark Your Calendar

IAIA08

4-10 May 2008 Perth, Western Australia

IAIA Presents Annual Awards in Seoul

■ IAIA Global Environmental Award: Lawrence Susskind, for outstanding, sustained, and unique contribution to the field of environmental assessment, especially in regard to the founding of the Consensus Building Institute, and his role in training professionals who are now leaders in the field.

- Rose-Hulman Award: Stephen Linter, for advancing IA policies and procedures, leadership in promoting the use of country IA systems and strategic assessments, and support of IAIA events.
- Individual Award: Jiri

 Dusik, for outstanding contribution to SEA Capacity Development in Eastern Europe and Southeast Asia.
- Corporate Award: Citi
 Markets and Banking Environmental and Social
 Risk Management Unit, for excellence and leadership in environmental and social risk management.
- Institutional Award: Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), for outstanding support of advanced international training programs for developing countries.
- Regional Award: Suh-Sung Yoon, for keen intellect and decisive leadership in environmental assessment

- and policy making as Vice Minister of the Ministry of Environment and in his capacity of President of both the Korean Environmental Institute and the Korean Society of Environmental Impact Assessment, including the introduction of SEA in Korea.
- Outstanding Service to IAIA: William Veerkamp, for his historic service and major contributions to the IAIA Board of Directors.
- Impact Assessment & Project Appraisal Best Paper:
 Robert B. Gibson, "Sustainability assessment: basic components of a practical approach," *IAPA* 24:3, 170-182.

Best Posters

- Judges' Choice and Peoples' Choice: "The Results of Strategies to Mitigate Environmental Impacts Caused by Light Pollution in the Conservation of Sea Turtles in Brazil" by Victor Patiri, Sandra Ferreira, Gustave Lopez, Elizabete Domingos.
- Judges' Choice Runner-up: "Influence of Island City (Artificial Island) on the Water of Head of Hakata Bay, Fukuoka, Japan" by Masaoiro Babasaki.

See www.iaia.org > IAIA07 for a full description of recipients and criteria.

IAIA07 Yearbook



Innovative and interactive Theme Forums.



The poster session drew a record crowd.



Traditional dancers entertained at the banquet.



IAIA07 delegates raised 3,534.655 won (about US\$3,800) for UNICEF by purchasing traditional Korean fans. The funds were delivered to UNICEF on 13 June 2007. • Kim Myung Jin

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IAIA07 Delegates by the Numbers

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Republic of Korea 183	Colombia
Canada 40	Croatia
Japan28	Ecuador
USA 26	Egypt
Thailand 19	Ethiopia
United Kingdom 19	Jordan
Vietnam 18	Mozambique
South Africa 15	Namibia
The Netherlands 15	Norway 2
India14	Peru
Australia 13	Serbia
China-PRC 13	Slovenia
Ghana 13	Spain
Philippines 13	Taiwan R.O.C
Germany11	United Arab Emirates2
Tanzania11	Uzbekistan 2
Sweden 10	Afghanistan
Sri Lanka8	Argentina
Ireland 7	Azerbaijan
Mexico7	Bahrain
Nepal7	Bangladesh
New Zealand7	Benin
Brazil6	Bulgaria
Laos6	Guyana
Switzerland 6	Honduras
Finland 5	Hungary
Indonesia 5	Iceland
Italy 5	Iran
Kenya5	Iraq
Russia 5	Jamaica
Albania 4	Kazakhstan
Czech Republic 4	Korea
Denmark 4	Kyrgyzstan
Uganda 4	Macedonia
Cambodia3	Mauritania
Malaysia3	Morocco
Mongolia3	Myanmar
Nigeria3	Oman
Pakistan 3	Paraguay
Portugal3	Poland
Tunisia3	Rwanda
Austria2	Slovakia
Belarus2	United States Territories 1
Belgium 2	Zambia
Botswana 2	Total 647
China-SAR2	Countries 90

Region	Participants	Percent
Asia	347	54%
Europe	120	19%
North America	75	12%
Africa	69	11%
Australia & Oceania	21	3%
South America	15	2%
Total	647	100%

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Please send your thoughts to Adam Boyden (ie_uk@iaia.org) and Jennifer Howell (jen@iaia. org). Responses may be included in an upcoming newsletter.

Environmental Assessment Under Threat?

The cost-effectiveness of Environmental Assessment is currently being questioned in England and the European Union, by those who seek to reduce regulatory burdens in line with the "better regulation" agenda.

In December 2006, the report to Her Majesty's Treasury of Kate Barker's Review of Land Use Planning in England contained major proposals for making land use planning more responsive to economic concerns. It also questioned the need for a separate system of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for development projects, criticised EIA for creating additional costs and delays to developers, and recommended that the Government reduce the number of EIAs undertaken and limit the paperwork associated with them.

In response to Barker, members of the IAIA's Ireland-UK Branch prepared a joint response with IEMA (see www.iaia.org/modx/index. php?id= 354). This challenged inaccuracies and highlighted the value of EIA in aiding sound decision-making, informing communities, and helping developers improve and reduce the impact of their proposals. It also made alternative recommendations for making EIA more effective, including through scoping, a new practitioner code of conduct and a statutory review system.

In May 2007, the UK Government released the Planning White Paper for England, taking forward many of Barker's recommendations. A working party of the Branch is now preparing a full response (consultation until 17th August). Initial concerns surround proposals which could limit the scope and effectiveness of SEA and EIA for major infrastructure projects (which would be determined by a new Infrastructure Planning Commission in line with new National Policy Statements). The Branch's joint press release

with IEMA in May (see www.iaia.org/modx/index.php?id= 354) called on the Government to work with impact assessment professionals to developer clear and effective environmental safeguards and to make the most of SEA's and EIA's potential to help ensure informed decision-making and more sustainable development.

At the same time, the EU's Enterprise-Industry Directorate-General is looking into the cost-effectiveness for business and taxpayers of the EU's EIA Directive and whether there are ways to simplify the EIA regime whilst retaining its effectiveness, in line with the EU's 'Better Regulation' agenda. Members of IAIA have been key amongst those assisting the researchers for the UK case study.

The impact assessment community is therefore now being challenged to respond robustly to various threats, particularly to better identify the benefits as well as costs of impact assessment. However, this also brings opportunities to identify ways of improving Environmental Assessment's effectiveness in influencing decision-making and in achieving more sustainable environmental outcomes in reality.

Another example is Russia, where the Government has abolished the requirement for state environmental reviews of major development projects, a key part of the EIA system, despite objections from the Government's environment agencies and non-governmental organisations.

It would be interesting to hear from members of any other threats to impact assessment across the world, and the impact assessment community's response to them.

 Adam Boyden
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Welcome!

New IAIA members 6 April - 30 June 2007

Sitarama Krishna Addepalli, India; Elizabeth Afiba Sarpey, Ghana; Javaid Afzal, Pakistan; Regina Aikins, Ghana; Richard Akoto, USA; Ma Theresa J. Allen, Philippines; Maisoon Al-Riyami, Oman; Bahman Jabbarian Amiri, Japan; Lely Saima Angula, Namibia; Marina Antonopoulou, United Arab Emirates; Sigurdur Asbjornsson, Iceland; David A. Atkins, USA; Narongsak Aungkasovapala, Thailand; Hyun Joo Bae, Republic of Korea; Aarsk Bakmeedeni-ya, Sri Lanka; Mi Ju Ban, Republic of Korea; Andrei Barannik, USA; Jeremy Barker, United Kingdom; Maria Basilia, Mexico; Venkata Rao Bayana, India; Maria Celeste Benitez Gonzalez, Paraguay; Daniel Bongardt, Germany; Somphath Boudphommueng, Laos; Kieng Kesor Bovorkarona, Cambodia; Cherisse Braithwaite, USA; Diane Brown, USA; Benno Bultink, The Netherlands; Byungseol Byun, Republic of Korea; Jeremy Carter, United Kingdom; Elsie P. Cezar, Philippines; Bundit Chaivichayachat, Thailand; Won Keun Chang, Republic of Korea;

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Professional News & Resources • • •

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Planning and Health – Report from UK Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution

The UK Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution (RCEP) is an independent body established to advise the Queen, the UK Government, Parliament and the public on environmental issues. The Commission's advice is mainly in the form of reports, of which their most recent is on the Urban Environment. In this report the RCEP acknowledges current shortcomings in the planning system and recommends that the UK government and devolved administrations develop a statutory framework for including Health Impact Assessments in the planning process. The planning system offers an important opportunity for a more coherent effort to develop cities and improve the health and wellbeing of urban inhabitants, and the RCEP's study reinforces the consensus view of UK health organizations and Local Government in that a formal requirement to assess the potential health effects of development is long overdue. • Andrew Buroni • RPS Group, United Kingdom • www.rpsgroup.com

SEA and Transport Planning Newsletter

The UK-based SEA and Transport Planning Newsletter has come to the end of the sponsorship it received from the European Conference of Ministers of Transport (ECMT). The Newsletter has seen over 780 subscribers worldwide, including from countries as far away as Yemen, Korea and Japan. Without the support of ECMT, the newsletter would not have reached the audience that it has.

The Newsletter has received many compliments, but takes considerable effort to prepare alongside other SEA and transport planning research and consultancy duties. Currently we are investigating several possibilities for continuing the Newsletter, including seeking new sponsors or introducing a subscription charge.

We would welcome your views on instituting a fee for downloading the Newsletter, or whether potential sponsors would like to come forward. The Newsletter can be found at www.sea-info.net/newsletters/default.asp?pid= 225. Please send your views to: ptomlinson@trl.co.uk. • Paul Tomlinson

"Theoretical Perspectives on SEA" - Forthcoming Special Issue

A special issue of *Environmental Impact Assessment Review* to be published shortly is based on a series of workshops at the IAIA special conference on SEA (Prague, September 2005). Workshop discussions covered several topics, and the special issue presents a number of significant contributions:

- Structuring the debate on SEA theory and sketching the challenges ahead
- · The origins and purpose of SEA, and dominant lines of argumentation about its need
- The theoretical rationale for using SEA to deliver environmental justice in the Scottish legislative context
- Novel perspectives for understanding SEA via insights of strategy formation and complexity theories
- Context awareness and sensitivity in SEA implementation
- · Analyzing frames and mental models to understand policy controversies

The shared aim is to contribute to a deeper understanding of SEA's theoretical foundations and a greater awareness of the relationship between SEA conceptual issues and practice. • Wil Thissen • Delft University of Technology • W.A.H.Thissen@tudelft.nl

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Calendar

July 11 World Population Day

August 8
International Day of the
World's Indigenous People

September 8 International Literacy Day

September 16 International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer

September 21 World Gratitude Day

September 22 World Car-Free Day

October 1
International Day for the Elderly

October 16 World Food Day

October 17
International Day for the Eradication of Poverty



Training

New! Climate Change Listserv

The purpose of the IAIA Climate Change listserv is to identify the role of impact assessment (including strategic impact assessment) in addressing climate change issues around the world. Discussion should be wideranging and consider areas of concern for national and international governments, industry, NGOs, and donor institutions such as International Finance Institutions (IFIs). IA is directly linked to adaptation, but mitigation, although most commonly indirectly linked, may also be discussed.

Co-facilitators are Norval Collins and Anne Elisabeth

For information on how to join this listsery, log in to www. iaia.org as a member, then select Professional Resources & Networking > Listsery Discussion Groups.

IAIA08 Call for Training Course Proposals

Seeking to promote ongoing professional development and excellence in impact assessment, IAIA will continue to organize high quality training courses in association with its annual conference. In support of this goal, the Board of Directors and the Training and Professional Development Committee (TPDC) invite proposals for training courses to be delivered at the 28th annual conference, to be held 4-10 May 2008 in Perth. Australia. It is anticipated that training courses will be delivered in the pre-conference program 4-5 May.

Training courses may cover any aspect of impact assessment, but priority will be given to proposals that address memberdriven demand for *intermediate* and *advanced level training* and for courses on the topics listed (the list is not exclusive). Proponents who have previously taught courses at IAIA conferences are encouraged to upgrade and/or innovate the content and

level of the course to allow previous participants to attend the courses again.

- 1. Sustainability assessment
- 2. Sectoral SEA for spatial planning, energy or transport (practical approach)
- 3. Health impact assessment
- 4. Participation and indigenous people in IA
- 5. Social impact assessment
- 6. IA in developing countries
- 7. Integrating biodiversity in IA
- 8. Quality review and auditing for impact assessment
- Cumulative effects and follow up in impact assessment
- Tools for impact assessment (resource economics, GIS, IT)
- 11. General professional capacities (ethics, leadership, capacity building)
- 12. Environmental management plans and systems

Proposals must be submitted to IAIA Headquarters (jen@iaia.org) by 1 September 2007 and should comply with the complete structure and content requirements set out at www.iaia.org > IAIA08 > Training.

Failure to provide adequate documentation will result in the rejection of a proposal. Please do not simply copy and resubmit prior proposals, as the requirements have changed and the courses offered need to be innovative as well as up to date. Proposals in previous formats will not be accepted.

Course proponents will be notified about the outcome of their application by 1 October 2007. For additional information, see the Web site or contact Arne Dalfelt, chair of the Training and Professional Development Committee (arne.dalfelt@nibr.no) or Jennifer Howell at IAIA HQ (jen@iaia.org). • Training and Professional Development Committee

New members, continued from page 4.

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August 23-24

Eco-Centre building on the Griffith University campus in Nathan, Brisbane, Australia. Instructors: Rabel Burdge and Roy Rickson. For the course outline and to order a registration form, see www. socialimpactassessment.net/AustraliaSIAcourse.htm.

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This international conference on environmental impact and risk assessment, held as a part of Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Institute, will be organized on October 25-26, 2007 at NEERI, Nagpur, India. See www.neeri.res.in or e-mail eira2007@neeri.res.in for details.



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June 2007

15...Newsletter articles due

July 2007

IAIA Important Dates & Deadlines

- 1.....Board nominations due
- 10 ... Newsletter, IAIA08 Call for Submissions mailed

August 2007

- $15 \dots Nominations \ Committee \ sends \ slate \ of \ potential \\ Board \ candidates \ to \ HQ$
- 20 ... IAIA08 training course proposals due

September 2007

- 1TPDC sends IAIA08 training course recommendations to HQ/Board
- 1.....Newsletter articles due
- 1.....HQ sends slate of Board candidates to Board
- 1.....Awards nominations due
- 10 ...IAIA08 session, theme forum, and special meetings proposals due (any event that is to be considered for inclusion in the preliminary program)
- 12 ...List of confirmed training courses due for inclusion in IAIA08 preliminary program
- 15...Midyear reports due
- 15...Board action items due

October 2007

1.....Newsletter, IAIA08 preliminary programs mailedMid-term Board meeting

December 2007

- 1.....Newsletter articles due
- 31 ... IAIA08 Early Bird rate ends

January 2008

- 1.....Newsletter, ballots for Board election mailed
- 15...IAIA08 paper and poster submissions deadline

February 2008

- 1.....Newsletter articles due
- 15...IAIA08 Student fee waiver deadline
- 28...Last date authors may register and pay in full to be included in IAIA08 final program

March 2008

- 1.....Newsletter articles due
- 1.....IAIA08 technical visits, training courses, Quickpass
- 1.....IAIA08 deadlines: Social events, exhibits, mentor program
- 1.....Text for IAIA09 call for papers finalized
- 15...Training course instructor agreements due
- 30 ... IAIA08 deadline: requests for inserts in delegate bags
- 30...Board action items due
- 30 ... Annual reports due
- $30\ldots$ Annual General Meeting action items due

April 2008

- 1.....Newsletter mailed
- 1.....Board election ballots tabulated; results announced

May 2008

- 4-10 IAIA08
-Board meeting

June 2008

1.....Newsletter articles due

July 2008

1.....Newsletter, IAIA09 Call for Submissions mailed