The First World Conference on Impact Assessment in Japan, IAIA16, May 11-14, Nagoya

IAIA: International Association for Impact Assessment  http://www.iaia.org/

IAIA is the leading global network on best practice and theory of impact assessment (IA) with about 1,800 members from 120 countries and regions, affiliated with 17 domestic societies of IA in the world. The activities of IAIA towards creating sustainable societies are well recognized by the United Nations and supported by major ODA organizations such as the World Bank, Asian Development Bank, and Japan International Cooperation Agency. The activities are also supported by global companies in financing, energy, manufactures, consulting and so forth. IAIA16 is the 36th annual conference of IAIA.

■IAIA16  Main Theme, “Resilience and Sustainability”  May 11(Wed)-14(Sat), 2016

Venue: Nagoya Congress Center (1-1, Atsuta-nishimachi, Atsuta-ku, Nagoya,  Tel: 052-683-7711)

Organized by IAIA and the IAIA16 Japan Committee (see page 2)

Close to 900 IA experts from about 80 countries will gather and more than 500 titles will be provided through oral presentations and posters in 117 sessions. Adding the participants for two side-events by Ministry of the Environment and City of Nagoya, we will have 1,100 participants.

■What is Global Standard of Impact Assessment for a Democratic Society?

IA is required for every project of infrastructure, big scale development, or recovering action from disasters such as Great East Japan Earthquake or Nuclear Reactors Accident of Fukushima, and so forth. And recently, IA became the prerequisite for project financing not only for international cooperation agencies but also for major private financing institutions. IA is the essential tool for environmental democracy.

Globally shared concept of IA is much broader than that in Japan, which encompasses not only natural environment but cultural and social environment to support rational and fair decision-making. We could see shortcomings of IA in Japan and how far it is from supporting consensus building. IAIA16 gives an opportunity to see the current state of IA in the world and make a global network of IA experts.

■Special Invitation for Media Reporters

Though, the registration fee of $860 is normally required for IAIA16, media people who will report IAIA16 can enter with free of charge. Please come to the reception desk on the venue during the period of May 11-14, from 9am to 5pm. Reservation for your visit is recommended (contact information on Page 2).
### Daily Program: May 11-14

*(Final Program is uploaded at [http://www.iaia.org/](http://www.iaia.org/))*

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### Major Topics in the 117 Sessions

- Natural disasters and resilience
- Man-made disasters: preparedness, Emergency response and rehabilitation
- Biodiversity restoration and ecological Impact assessment
- Population change and SA
- International Cooperation and SD
- Collaboration for sustainability in Asian Region
- Agriculture, forestry and fisheries
- Biodiversity and ecology
- Corporate stewardship and risk management
- Cultural heritage and landscape
- Energy: Oil gas and renewable fuels
- Energy: Power generation and transmission
- Sustainable transport
- Smart city
- Strategic environmental assessment (SEA)
- Sustainability assessment (SA)
- Health impact assessment
- Social impact assessment
- Involuntary resettlement
- Information disclosure and participation
- Indigenous people etc.

### IAIA16 organizing committee and supporters and auspices

The IAIA16 Japan Committee (JC) is composed of the members from various stakeholders on IA.

*JC Chair*: Sachihiko Harashina (Dean and Prof, Chiba University of Commerce; Past President, IAIA),
*Special Advisors*: Tatsuio Ito (Prof. emeritus, Mie University), Haruo Shimada (President of CUC)

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