CELSIUS 1.5 **Impact Assessment and Climate Change**

IAIA INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA | 26-28 SEPTEMBER 2022

SYMPOSIUM THEME & OBJECTIVES

The International Panel on Climate Change warns of the negative impacts of global temperature increasing 1.5° C above pre-industrial levels. Climate change poses dramatic and irreversible risks for human and natural systems, as well as on economic development. For many communities worldwide, its consequences are already a matter of life and death. We know the dire consequences, but what role does impact assessment play in helping to reduce the effects of climate change?

Tools such as environmental impact assessment (EIA), strategic environmental assessment (SEA), and environmental, social, and governance (ESG) criteria can and should support planning and action regarding climate change adaptation and mitigation. This symposium will help identify best practices and innovations for integrating climate change into these decision-making frameworks. Environmental and social consultants, regulators, and representatives from financial institutions and civil society around the world will gather in beautiful Cape Town, South Africa, to focus on these three topics:

Climate change in impact assessment **Best practices in resilient** and low-carbon cities

Africa's transition to a low-carbon economy

It is up to humanity to prevent the 1.5° C temperature rise. Join us in Cape Town to learn the latest information about the intersection between impact assessment and climate change.



Why is it **important to integrate** climate change into specialist impact assessments (IAs)?

What tools, guidelines, and successful legislative and regulatory models can empower practitioners and stakeholders to incorporate climate change into IA?

How can IA help achieve low carbon and resilient cities?

What technologies can facilitate a just transition to a low-carbon economy?







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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Are you an expert in one of these fields?

- Climate change in impact assessment
- Best practices in resilient and lowcarbon cities
- Africa's transition to a low-carbon economy

Submit an abstract by **7 June 2022** to present your work in-person in Cape Town.

Follow the instructions at conferences.iaia.org/ climatechange22

Due to the limited number of sessions at the symposium, **only a limited number of abstract submissions will be accepted**. Submissions are limited to one per person, and all submissions should be in English. Please note that all costs associated with attending the symposium will be the responsibility of the presenter.

Abstract authors will receive an automated confirmation upon completing the online submission form. The Program Committee will notify abstract authors of acceptance status by **1 July 2022**. All speakers and session chairs are required to submit a registration form with full payment by **27 July 2022** to be listed in the final program (no exceptions). The final program with schedule will be available **8 September 2022**.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE. Contact Bridget John (bridget@iaia.org).

IMPORTANT DATES

7 JUNE 2022 Abstract submission deadline Online registration opens

1 JULY 2022 Abstract authors notified of acceptance status

> **27 JULY 2022** Presenting author registration deadline

> > 7 SEPTEMBER 2022 Registration closes

8 SEPTEMBER 2022 Final program available

26 SEPTEMBER 2022 Training Course and Technical Tour

> 27-28 SEPTEMBER 2022 Symposium

LOCAL HOST AND ORGANIZER

IAIAsa was established in 1992 and has grown over time to a membership of approximately 1000 members. The association holds a national conference every year as well as a number of regional branch events. IAIAsa's main objective is to be a professional association that leads integrated environmental management (IEM) in southern Africa. IAIAsa undertakes its activities in order to achieve sustainability through ethical practice that adheres to IEM principles and values and upholds and applies relevant environmental legislation. IAIAsa provides a platform for advancing innovation and communication of good practice in IEM; enhance professionalism in the practice; capacitate the youth and advocate for sustainable policies and practices.



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ABOUT IAIA

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