

Memorandum of Understanding for Affiliate Relationship between

International Association for Impact Assessment (IAIA)

New Zealand Association for Impact Assessment (Inc.) (NZAIA)

With the purpose of promoting their mutual interests and collaborating in a strategic partnership, IAIA and NZAIA have reached the following Memorandum of Understanding.

Background

IAIA is the leading global network on the best practice in the use of impact assessment for informed decision making regarding policies, programs, plans, and projects. Through its activities, IAIA provides the international forum to advance best practice and innovation in impact assessment and advocates for its expanded use for the betterment of society and the environment.

IAIA was founded in 1981 in North America as a nonprofit international educational association and today has individual members in over 100 nations. It has wide reaching influence on the global scale. However, to further service impact professionals, IAIA recognizes in its by-laws and encourages the creation of local branches and affiliates that share similar objectives. IAIA therefore confers the status of Affiliate on organizations serving specific populations on a local scale, thereby extending the vision and mission of IAIA efficiently and effectively to those places.

NZAIA is a non-profit society incorporated in 1990 as the NZ Association for Social Assessment, and then as NZAIA in 1999, to promote and support impact assessment for projects, policy and plans, and other goals relating to the practice of all forms of impact assessment. NZAIA's members are mainly located in New Zealand but the Association also works collaboratively to support practice in the Pacific Islands.

Purpose

While IAIA and NZAIA pursue similar objectives, the two parties often serve two distinct pools of impact assessment professionals. This agreement will therefore encourage ongoing collaboration and cooperation between the parties at the organizational level to meet the mission and goals of both parties.

Opportunities for Cooperation

In order to promote and enhance the quality of impact assessment, the following forms of collaboration, amongst others deemed mutually acceptable for both parties, may be pursued under this agreement:

- Collaborate on mutually beneficial funding opportunities that would allow the parties to work together on projects such as events, publications, trainings, etc.
- Identify professionals within the Affiliate organization's membership base and/or geographic region to serve as trainers, roundtable experts, etc.
- Encourage participation in IAIA and Affiliate events and activities by sharing organizational newsletters and event details between parties and cross-promoting such activities to each party's membership base.

- Participate in IAIA Task Forces and/or joint roundtable events that support the growth of impact assessment and/or inform efforts related to the strategic plans of both parties.
- Propose locations and help plan IAIA annual meetings and/or special topic symposia.
- Engage in the development of joint webinars and/or publications.
- Participate in joint public relations and communications efforts that highlight the practice of impact assessment, such as Environmental Professionals Day.
- For those Affiliates working in languages other than English, partner on translations of trainings, videos, webinars, and other projects that would be of benefit to both parties.
- Other opportunities that may arise that benefit the missions of both parties.

Fees and Benefits

NZAIA agrees to pay an annual fee of US\$100 by 1st January to IAIA for Affiliate membership, including use of the IAIA logo. New Affiliates joining mid-year will pay a pro-rated amount based on start date.

Upon receipt of the annual fee, IAIA will provide the following benefits to NZAIA: (1) One IAIA membership for Affiliate office; (2) one hard-copy subscription to IAIA's journal, *Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal (IAPA)*; (3) IAIA member rate for Affiliate members at the IAIA annual conference; (4) Affiliate listing with hyperlink on IAIA's website; and (5) one complimentary poster space at the IAIA annual conference.

Lack of payment of the annual fee by January of each year will result in a termination of the abovelisted benefits until the fee has been paid.

Liability

IAIA is not responsible for NZAIA's operating structure and activities; NZAIA operates separately and independently of IAIA. IAIA is not responsible or liable for the actions or activities of NZAIA nor its members.

Neither IAIA nor NZAIA is empowered to make statement regarding professional policies or related pronouncement on behalf of each other without prior agreement.

Commencement, Renewal, and Termination

This MoU will be effective from the date of the last signature hereto and shall automatically renew on 1st January each year. Either party may renegotiate or cancel the agreement with one month's notice in writing to the other party.

Signed on behalf of IAIA

Signed on behalf of NZAIA

Date: 2 December 2021

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David Bancroft, IAIA Executive Director

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RICHARD MORGAN, CHAIR, NZAZA