

International Scientific Conference:

“ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: INTERNATIONAL TRENDS AND COOPERATION”

I. RATIONALE

To mitigate and overcome ecological challenges such as global climate change and biodiversity loss, there is an urgent need to improve environmental impact assessment (EIA) practices and domesticate international leading practices and standards. As an organizational member of the International Association for Impact Assessment (IAIA), the Mongolian Association for Impact Assessment (MAIA) is organizing this international scientific conference (hereinafter referred to as the "Conference") with the aim of advancing sector development to global standards and expanding regional cooperation.

II. OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Conference is to introduce international best practices and standards (such as IFC and World Bank standards) in environmental impact assessment, promote green economic development, strengthen the capacity of industry professionals, and expand the platform for cooperation and experience-sharing among domestic and international researchers, practitioners, and stakeholders.

III. TARGET PARTICIPANTS

- Domestic and international researchers, scientists, and experts from international organizations and project implementation units.
- Representatives from government bodies, professional organizations, and regulatory/law enforcement agencies.
- Project proponents, experts from the mining and infrastructure sectors.
- Faculty members, doctoral students, master's students, and researchers from higher education institutions.

IV. THEMATIC AREAS

The Conference invites research papers and presentations within the following thematic areas:

- **International Standards and Methodologies for Environmental Impact Assessment:** Implementation and comparative studies of environmental and social standards of international financial institutions, including the IFC and World Bank.
- **Climate Change and Green Development:** Integrating greenhouse gas emissions and climate risk assessments into environmental impact assessments.
- **Cumulative Impact Assessment of Major Infrastructure and Mining Projects:** Comprehensive environmental and social impact assessments of transboundary and regional-scale projects.
- **ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) Criteria:** International trends in corporate governance and environmental auditing.
- **Ecosystem Management and Biodiversity Conservation:** Introducing new technologies for soil, water, and biodiversity conservation and environmental restoration.

V. PAPER SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Incorporate recent sector advancements, new technologies, and international benchmark methodologies.
- Scientific rigor, clear research findings, sound conclusions, and practical relevance.
- Formatting: Times New Roman, 12 pt, justified alignment, line spacing (Before 6pt, After 6pt, Line spacing: Multiple at 1.5). Bullet points should use standard bullet characters (.).
- Submissions must include abstracts and keywords in both Mongolian and English.

VI. ORGANIZERS

- Ministry of Environment and Climate Change of Mongolia (MECC)
- Mongolian Association for Impact Assessment (MAIA), NGO
- Mongolian University of Life Sciences (MULS)
- International Partner Organizations (Supporting bodies)

VII. DATE AND VENUE

- **Date:** November 2026 (Friday, 20 November 2026)
- **Venue:** Academic Council Hall, MULS / Hybrid format (In-person and online participation options available).
- **Deadline for Paper Submission:** 25 October 2026.
- **Submission Emails:** Oyunchimeg.t@mul.s.edu.mn, myagmarsuren@mul.s.edu.mn, ikheco2565@gmail.com

VIII. AWARDS AND INCENTIVES

- **1st Place:** Certificate, monetary prize, and right to publish the paper in an international conference format.
- **2nd Place:** Certificate and monetary prize.
- **3rd Place:** Certificate and monetary prize.
- **Special Awards:** Recognition and rewards for best young researcher papers and special category presentations.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

- Conference proceedings and accepted papers will be compiled digitally and published on open online databases and the official MAIA website.

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MANUSCRIPT FORMATTING GUIDELINES

1. General Formatting:

- Font & Paragraph: Times New Roman, 12pt, justified alignment, spacing after/before 6pt, line spacing multiple at 1.5.
- Lists should utilize standard bullet points (.).

2. Structure of the Scientific Paper:

- TITLE OF THE WORK
- AUTHOR(S) FULL NAME, AFFILIATION, EMAIL, PHONE NUMBER
- ABSTRACT
- KEYWORDS
- MAIN BODY
- **CHAPTER I. LITERATURE REVIEW** [ALL CAPS, left-aligned, Roman numerals for chapters]
 - Sub-section heading [Left-aligned, Arabic numbering linked to the chapter]
 - 1.1.1 Sub-sub-section heading [Left-aligned, Arabic numbering]
- **CHAPTER II. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY** [ALL CAPS, left-aligned, Roman numerals]
- **CHAPTER III. RESULTS, ANALYSIS, AND DISCUSSION** [ALL CAPS, left-aligned, Roman numerals]
- **CONCLUSION** [ALL CAPS, left-aligned]
- **RECOMMENDATIONS** [ALL CAPS, left-aligned]
- **REFERENCES** [ALL CAPS, centered title at the top of a new page; unbolded; hanging indentation or author names aligned left; same font as text; line spacing 1.5 with 0pt before/after].
- **APPENDICES** [ALL CAPS, left-aligned, placed after references, maximum 20 pages. Includes interview logs, raw data, questionnaires, equipment specs, legal excerpts, etc.].

POSTER PRESENTATION REQUIREMENTS

- **Size:** A1 format / 59.5 x 84.1 cm.
- **Required Sections:** Title, Introduction, Methodology, Results, Conclusions, References.
- Visual layout, charts, graphics, and color harmony must be clear, legible, and consistent with the academic standards of the paper.

EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR PAPERS

- Definition of the problem and scientific justification of the research premise.
- Research design, methods, and data analysis.
- Conclusions, practical relevance, and recommendations derived from findings.
- Originality and innovative ideas presented.

CERTIFICATION

All participants attending the plenary session will receive a **CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION**, and the conference proceedings will be hosted publicly on the official website of the **Mongolian Association for Impact Assessment (MAIA)**.