Call for Papers – due March 6, 2015

Join us in Portland, Oregon for the 2015 IAP2 North American Conference to learn "What's Brewing" in public participation! More than 300 attendees are expected including public participation practitioners, managers, policy makers, students and others who need stakeholder engagement skills. IAP2 wants you to share your expertise, experience, and examples of your best work. IAP2 advances the practice of public participation (P2) by providing tools, training and networking, and by advocating for quality P2 programs based on our Core Values and Code of Ethics. Visit www.iap2.org for more background.

IAP2 conferences are highly interactive. Be creative and engaging to inspire and energize attendees, share challenges and successes in your work. Use stories, case studies, and art to bring life to your experiences and knowledge. Provide skills, knowledge, and resources to advance their work. Consider a collaborative panel or roundtable, and invite co-presenters with multiple perspectives. Help participants to reflect, and examine questions that arise from their work. Share innovations, research, and opportunities in public participation. Foster network building and relationships. Conference organizers may choose to combine some sessions or create a panel of presenters. Consider a poster (see details below). Please do not promote products. (Vendors may exhibit at the Technology Fair as conference sponsors—please see the Sponsor page.)

The conference will provide computers, projectors, screens, and mics. Presenters may bring their own laptop or thumb drive. **Presenters must register for the conference and presentations are pro bono.**

How to submit a session proposal

Please email a Word document with all items listed below (or submission is incomplete and void) to Sheri Wantland at wantlands@cleanwaterservices.org by **5 p.m. on March 6**. Include the presenter's name or session title in the Word file name. *Presenters will be notified by March 27.*

1. Presenter/s Name, Affiliation and Contact information (email, phone, mailing address)
2. Presenter/s bio (brief) to be used in conference materials
3. Session Title—please make it catchy
4. Session length—choose 45 or 90 minutes
5. Brief description (max. 100 words) to be used in conference materials
6. Learning objectives for session attendees
7. Special requests?

Questions?   Please contact IAP2 Executive Manager Amelia Shaw at ameliaiap2usa@gmail.com

Poster session

Posters are a nice option to a presentation, leaving you available for more personal interaction with colleagues. Writing a good abstract is an important part of having your work accepted for the conference, and can also serve as an outline for your poster. Effective posters use graphics, maps, photographs, and charts and are reader-friendly, clear and concise. If your proposal is accepted, you will be given instructions to display your poster. The poster session is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, Sept 10 from 3 to 5 p.m. with setup at 2:30. Posters should not exceed 40 inches by 30 inches. If you would like more information, please contact Jen Colbert at Jennifer.Colbert@abam.com