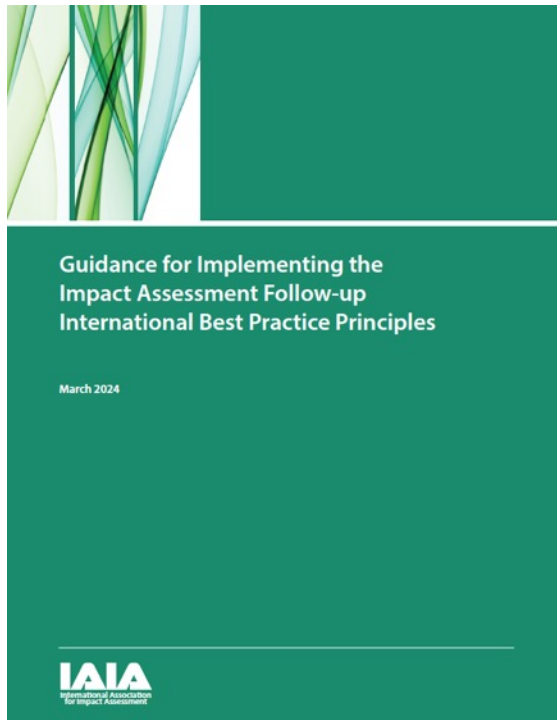


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11:00-12:30hrs, 26 April 2024, Dublin

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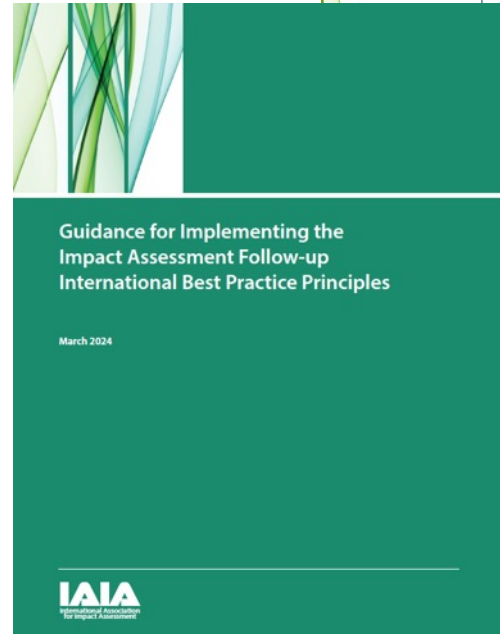
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for international best practice IA follow-up
2. Presentations on good practice cases
3. General discussion and follow-up

Concurrent sessions	
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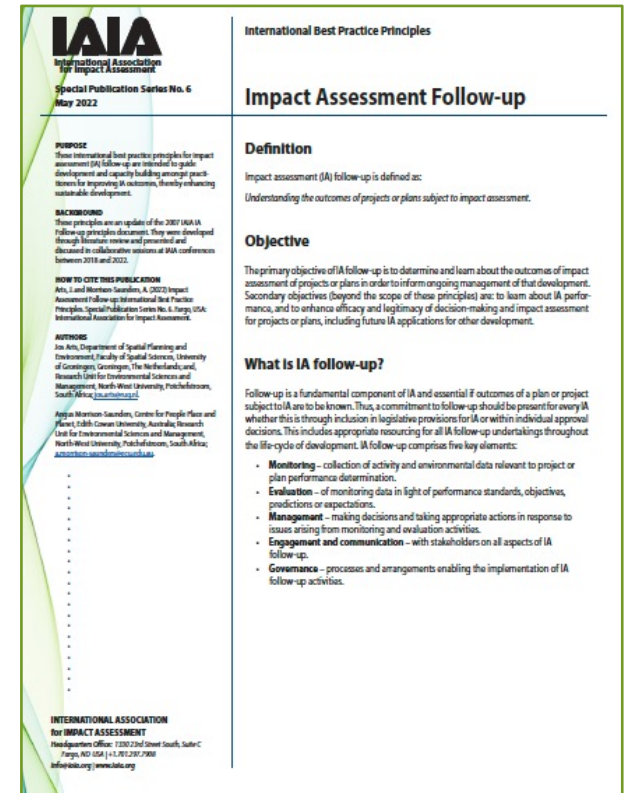
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- For the Guidance Document we have collected and reviewed good practices from around the world by using a
  - Delphi Panel with international experts
  - Review of academic and grey literature
- At this workshop we share and discuss good practices of IA follow-up world-wide for implementing the *Principles* and the *Guidance* ***How to make IA follow-up happen?***



*[note: we are not here to alter the Principles or the Guidance themselves]*

# The 15 IA Follow-up principles:

1. State the objective of each IA follow-up activity and the overall program
2. Be tailored to context
3. Commence early in the IA process
4. Be carried out throughout the project or plan life-cycle
5. Be transparent
6. Be accessible to all IA stakeholders
7. Provide clear accountability for IA follow-up responsibilities
8. Provide clear, pre-defined and well-justified performance criteria
9. Specify enforcement provisions
10. Promote continuous learning from experience to improve future practice
11. Facilitate adaptive management
12. Be flexible according to emerging needs
13. Inform and be informed by follow-up for activities at different levels of decision-making (tiering)
14. Address cumulative effects
15. Consider the overall effects of the project or plan


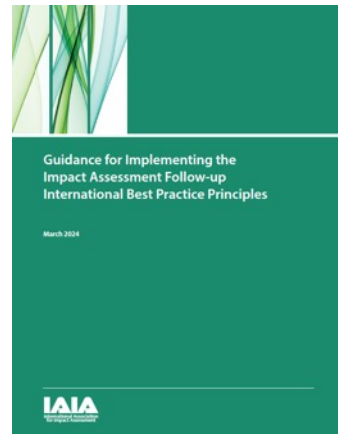


# Introduction to the *guidance document*

Introduction: overarching definitions, basics IA follow-up, 15 principles

For every principle similar guidance structure:

- **What** the principle is about including definitions of terms/concepts;
- **Why** the principle is important;
- **How** to operationalise it  
(in broad terms applicable to practitioners anywhere in the world);
- **Who** is responsible;
- **When** it should occur;
- **Tips** to help.



### Principle 3: Commence early in the impact assessment process

Timing is vital in IA follow-up and developing a follow-up program should start early in the IA process (e.g., during screening and scoping) and thereafter be acted upon as appropriate.

**3.1 What**  
Commencing early allows the establishment of a knowledge base (arising from baseline monitoring) and building trust in stakeholder relationships.

**3.2 Why**  
Follow-up is about developing the long view through the life of the project or plan, and the sooner issues become understood, the sooner the scale, scope, and nature of appropriate follow-up activities can be established.

**3.3 How**  
Commence early by reviewing existing environmental data sets, establishing baselines, defining project or plan objectives, initiating stakeholder partnerships, and scoping alternatives. Outline potential IA follow-up needs at the same time that development activity is being planned or designed and the environmental consequences are being considered.

**3.4 Who**  
The team responsible for the IA follow-up program in consultation with other stakeholders.

**3.5 When**  
Start planning a realistic program that will interconnect with the key IA stages from the start and closing the life cycle (Figure 1). This helps to control risks and potentially flag issues. However, the formal establishment of the IA follow-up program for projects is with the development approval decision. For follow-up of plans, where there is a continuous planning process (with periodic review and revision taking place), follow-up should be continuous across all phases of such cycles (i.e., not necessarily tied to a particular approval decision as a starting or demarcation point).

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# How to make IA follow-up happen – *an energiser!*

- Take paper from the hat
- You are all a principal! 😊
- Discuss this principle with your neighbour(s) 5 minutes  
3 ways to make this aspect of IA follow-up happen
- Write the results on the sheet:
  1. Write your principle here
  2. Names + email
  3. Explain 3 key ways to make this aspect of IA follow-up happen
- General discussion (5 minutes)
- Please hand in your sheet of paper – many thanks!



*Yes, we are all principals!!*

# Next steps – follow-up of follow-up...

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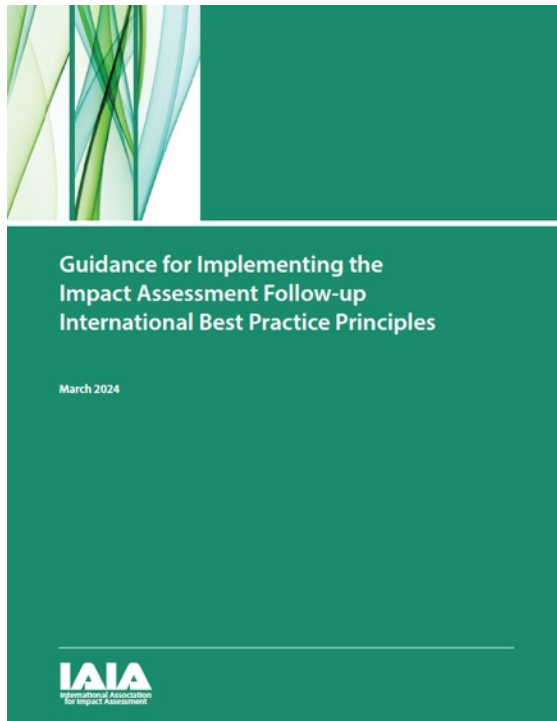
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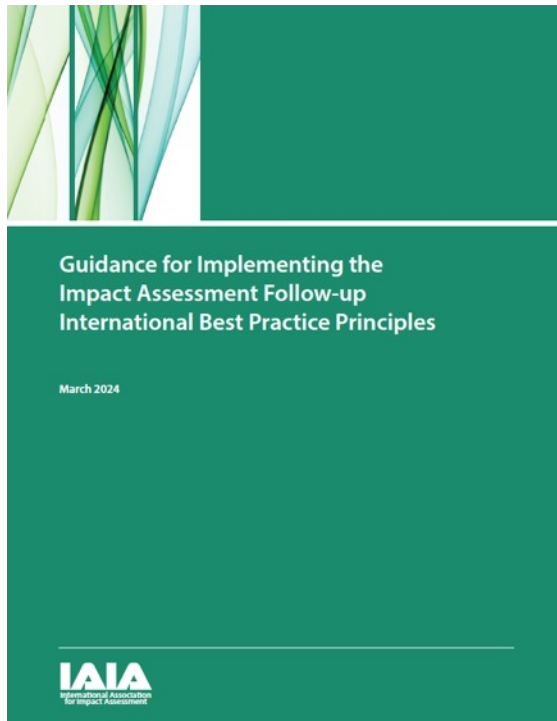
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