

The Conference Call

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Join us April 20-21 for the 2023 IAEM Virtual Conference!

Because of the high praises received by members for the 2021 and 2022 virtual offerings, and requests for more digital content, IAEM is proud to present our 3rd annual mid-year event: the IAEM Virtual

Conference. Check out all the great content in this year's program!

Two Days of Virtual Learning

The program has been released and includes a combination of relevant presentations from qualified speakers and a multitude of training from our partners.

Contact Hours

The Virtual Conference will provide content to the registrants live and on-demand following the event. Attendees will receive attendance credit that may be used as contact hours for IAEM's Certified Emergency Manager Program.



Connect Through Social!

The event hashtag is #IAEMVC23

Calling All (potential) Speakers!

The call for speakers for the 71st IAEM Annual Conference and EMEX is open! Scheduled for November 3-9, 2023, in Long Beach, California, this year's conference theme is *Emergency Management: Turning the Tide*.

Consider how your proposal relates to the conference theme. What story do you have to share about turning the tide of emergency management? Use the following topic areas or suggest one of your own:



- The Future of Emergency Management
- The Diverse Nature of Emergency Management
- A Profession of Collaboration, Coordination, Communication and Cooperation

Each breakout session is scheduled for 60 minutes, including time for questions and answers. We are looking for captivating submissions that will speak to your colleagues, provide tangible and actionable lessons learned or tools and tips, and demonstrate your knowledge on the topic.

Abstract Submission Tips

- · Read all instructions carefully.
- Complete all fields incomplete applications will not be reviewed.
- There is not a save function gather all documents and wording for requested fields before you begin. Start in a word or text document first then when you have everything written and proofread, you can cut and paste into the online submission portal.
- Character field limits with spaces:
 - Abstracts: 2000; Bios: 1200; Speaker introduction: 600 per speaker up to 1500 per session.
 - SUGGESTION: Do a word count before submitting the text to avoid problems and delays with submitting. On a Mac, click tools. On a PC, click the review tab, then click word count in the proofing section. If you are still having difficulties, convert to plain text.
- Double check for typos before you submit.

Learn more on the IAEM website, including how to create and submit a successful proposal.



What helps your score?

Abstracts are scored based on:

- Being complete and accurate
- Quality of the submitted abstract
- Speaker experience and qualifications related to the topic
- A compelling story that will engage the audience
- Adherence to the 2023 theme Emergency Management: Turning the Tide

Testimonial

My name is Justin Baker, and I'm the Deputy Director of Emergency Management for Monroe County, Indiana.

I became a member of IAEM in February 2022, as I was just starting my career in Emergency Management. Now that I'm wrapping up my first year in this profession, I'm so thankful that I joined IAEM from the start.

The annual conference in Savannah, Georgia, was my first conference, and it definitely didn't disappoint. I left feeling like I learned new techniques and skills that may help me advance in my Emergency Management career.

I had the fulfillment of meeting new and veteran Emergency Managers all at the same location, and I find that awesome. As a new Emergency Manager it's something that I really benefited from.

Throughout my Emergency Management career, I will look forward to the next IAEM annual conference.

The 2022 Conference got me out of my comfort zone and made me feel more confident. I'm more eager to learn from and network with other Emergency Managers than I was when I first started in this field. I hope to see you and start networking with you at the 2023 Annual Conference in Long Beach, California.

INCOMPLETE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED



The call for Poster Showcase entries will be open from March 25 to April 26, 2023.

Poster Showcase

The purpose of the Poster Showcase is to convey the significance of a project, practice, or general finding to practitioners and scholars in the emergency management community and to the general public.

The Poster Showcase is open to students, academics, and practitioners. Though much of the work happening across the industry happens at an organizational level, the Poster Showcase is an opportunity to share the work of individuals, not organizations. There are competitive and noncompetitive divisions in which to enter!

If you are selected to display your poster, you will receive a certificate of participation that can be used towards the IAEM Certification Program as a professional contribution.



EMvision Talks

Get ready to submit your EMvision Talk proposal for the annual 2023 IAEM conference in Long Beach, California. The call for speakers will be open from April 3 to May 5, 2023.

The EMvision Talks are a great forum for people to share a personal connection to an idea, experience, or passion related to emergency management, leadership, health and wellness, inclusion, communication, community engagement, or other related topics.

It may help you to view prior EMvision Talks. If so, click here to check out the recordings from the 2020 conference on YouTube.

All information and the link to submit your EMvision Talk (once open) can be found on the <u>IAEM website</u>.



The EMvision Talks are held live on the plenary stage during the annual conference.