

## 2013 Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Conference San Francisco, California | April 3--6, 2013 Call for Participation

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Today Asia & the Pacific Rim are focal points of world urbanization. Both areas are experiencing rapid change and significant challenges to building inclusive and innovative cities in the face of globalization and decentralization. Government officials, policy makers, planners, and NGOs everywhere in Asia and the Pacific Rim are encountering political, fiscal, social and cultural barriers in this process. In response to these challenges, many innovative policies and experiments have been launched in metropolitan governance, coordinated urbanrural development, regional planning, new town development, sustainable and carbon-neutral urbanization, and other solutions to urban problems. The outcomes of these initiatives are of critical importance to the people and leaders of these regions, but equally of interest and concern to the rest of the global policy community.

The UAA is North America's leading urban policy research association. For more than forty years the UAA has brought together social scientists, public administrators, planners, and others interested in urban affairs to exchange information and ideas on the most important urban issues. In light of the growing importance of Asia and the Pacific Rim and because of the conference location in San Francisco, the 2013 UAA conference will include a special Track on Urban Issues in Asia & the Pacific Rim.

The UAA encourages empirical and theoretical papers on urbanization processes, governance, public administration, planning, urban design, rural-urban migration, immigration, inclusion/exclusion, and related topics of importance to cities and metropolitan areas in Asia and the Pacific Rim. Policy related to housing, education, employment, welfare/family security, transportation, economic development, infrastructure, environmental protection, historic preservation, provision of social services and other topics are all appropriate. Papers on developed and emerging urban agglomerations are of particular interest.

General information and abstract submission: http://urbanaffairsassociation.org/conference/conference2013/

EXTREMELY IMPORTANT: If you want your paper to be considered for this track, you must choose: Special Track: Urban Issues in Asia & Pacific Rim under the Topical Category section when you submit your paper abstract on-line.

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