Lambda Alpha International is the honorary global network for thought leaders in all fields related to the preservation and sustainable development of land.

LAI is a growing network of chapters in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe and Asia. Each chapter offers a wide variety of programs with industry leaders, discussion forums, community service projects and networking events.

Membership is highly selective through a nomination process initiated by an LAI member. Nominees for LAI membership must demonstrate ten or more years of experience in their fields, professional distinction, and outstanding contributions to the community in their field of endeavor.

LAI is committed to excellence and high professional standards to make a difference. The value to members is knowing you are someone who helped make that difference.
THE HISTORY OF LAMBDA ALPHA INTERNATIONAL

Lambda Alpha International was founded in 1930 by students and faculty at Northwestern University, providing a continuing forum for the “sifting and winnowing” of ideas.

Lambda Alpha represents the two Greek words Logos Agroikos, which we interpret to mean Wisdom or Learning of Land; or, Science of Land Utilization.

LAI supports research and education on a broad variety of academic topics through the Land Economics Foundation (LEF).

The mission of LEF is to administer an investment fund which provides grants for a wide range of research projects. LEF grants support the study of land economics and the highest ideals of scholarship integrity.

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- Vancouver
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MAKING A DIFFERENCE

LAI is committed to advancing knowledge globally through promoting best practices locally, to make a difference in our communities. The 2,000+ LAI members enjoy the opportunity to make valuable connections locally and with accomplished professionals worldwide.

It’s a unique platform for the exchange of sustainable, restorative ideas in the dynamic world of land use and development. This is the great value of LAI membership.

LAI’s multidisciplinary membership is intentionally diverse, equitable and inclusive. Members represent over 30 disciplines including land planning and development, engineering, law, government, banking, environment, marketing, academia and government.

Members can build professional networks through LAI social media channels. They participate in global discussions on LAI-TV, write for KeyNotes, the online LAI journal, and gain a wealth of information on lai.org.

Members are invited to attend our annual meeting typically hosted by a chapter in the US, Canada or Europe. The LAI Gathering includes private briefings from local leaders, behind-the-scenes tours and other events to highlight LAI values celebrated by the host Chapter.
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