

International Relocation Assistance Committee

Spring Forum Report

March 5, 2011

The International Relocation Assistance Committee met on February 6th in Los Angeles. Our agenda and work completed included the following:

- Finalized planning and presenter line-up for relocation sessions in Atlanta for the June 2011 Education Conference. Below are the seven relocation sessions scheduled for Atlanta:

- What Happens When LPA's Get Federal Funding?
- Relocation Incentive Payments
- Design Build – ROW Transitional Practice
- Point – Counterpoint
- Carve Outs
- Replacement Housing Comparables
- Environmental Justice

- Discussed and voted on new committee member applications – two new members approved. Region 5 Representative to the International Relocation Assistance Committee position still open.
- Revised our recommendations to the IPDC and IEC regarding the R/W-RAC specialty career path. Discussions included: the possibility of a multi-tier program similar to the new Generalist Path, adjusting qualifications (coursework and experience) necessary to achieve the certification(s) and developing and introducing six new relocation-oriented courses – both core and elective.
- Documented our conclusions and recommendations for our committee representative to the Specialty Career Path Taskforce to be presented to the Taskforce and IPDC later in the week.

The Committee is scheduled to meet again in June at the Education Conference. Region reports will be due at that time. Chapter Presidents and/or Relocation Committee Chairpersons will be contacted a few weeks before the conference to request feedback on relocation issues and current trends in your areas. A list of relocation courses held since the last Fall Forum as well as courses planned throughout 2011 will be requested as well. Please contact Michele Folk at mfolk@opcservices.com at any time, if you have a topic, concern or request you would like brought to the International Relocation Assistance Committee.