

API CONFERENCE  
**2008**  
CHARLOTTETOWN

SUSTAINABILITY OF  
**TRADITIONAL  
SETTLEMENT PATTERNS  
IN THE 21ST CENTURY**

## PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

The Atlantic provinces are steeped in tradition and cherish many of the established ways of life. At the same time, they wish to develop modern, contemporary societies that can successfully compete on a global basis. Can traditional settlement patterns and economic activities meet both of those objectives? Are small, diverse and dispersed communities capable of competing against, or thriving with, the mega-centres that are the engines of the world's economies? Join us in Charlottetown for an exploration of the sustainability of traditional settlement patterns in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

### Wednesday, October 22, 2008

#### Registration (afternoon)

**Afternoon:** Pre-Conference Professional Development Workshop (open to all, additional fees will apply)

*A workshop for practicing planners designed to strategize about the most effective mechanisms to plan for healthy communities and appropriate policy direction. The session, part of current research being undertaken at Dalhousie University, will explore the relationship between the built environment and health (especially obesity), looking specifically at the way in which young people use the built environment. One objective of the study and the session is to determine what kinds of government investments and policies could be most effective in encouraging physical activity and healthy eating in this age group.*

**Dinner:** on your own

**Evening:** social activity, details to follow.

### Thursday, October 23, 2008

#### Registration

**Welcome and Keynote:** Ed MacDonald, Historian, University of PEI: *traditional settlements patterns – what got us to where we are today, what has changed, and where do we go next?*

**Morning:** Concurrent sessions: 'Regulations, Sustainability & Heritage' and 'Public Governance and Engagement': *the impact of regulations on sustainability and the barriers they sometimes cause; heritage and land use conflicts on islands; public engagement and governance models.*

#### Lunch: Atlantic Planners Institute AGM

**Afternoon:** Concurrent sessions: 'Regional Planning Efforts' and 'Transportation; Active and Regional': *outcomes of recent restructuring and amalgamation efforts on planning in the region, and a project in Bridgewater focused on active transportation.*

Continuous Professional Learning: information session for members

**Evening:** Reception, Awards Banquet, and Island entertainment.

### Friday, October 24, 2008

#### Registration

**Plenary: Integrated Community Sustainability Plans**

*A cross-region snapshot of requirements for the ICSPs, a review of progress to date, and a shared discussion of successes, challenges and obstacles.*

#### Sustainability and Design:

*A exploration of alternative subdivision design options in NB and research on climate, coastlines, and climate adaptation.*

**Lunch:** on your own

**Afternoon:** Mobile Workshops: A series of mobile workshops will be offered, focusing on heritage, original settlement patterns, and Island hospitality (additional fees will apply).

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Note: schedule and sessions subject to change