



Becoming a truly international association

iAEM is not an international association but it should be!

It should be a network of emergency management practitioners sharing best practices and advancing their profession globally.

The response to the Indian Ocean Tsunami involved Emergency Managers from more than 48 countries.

2500+ North American Emergency Managers have a lot to share with the world. 250 Emergency Managers from 43 other countries in the World think so, that's why they joined iAEM. They also know that they can share knowledge and experience with their North American colleagues.

Emergency Management is about saving lives, protecting property and building resilient communities. That applies globally and is unaffected by race, religion or politics. Emergency Management is about working together, it's about learning lessons; and it's about meeting the challenges nature and man confronts it with.

iAEM has chosen to become truly international and is reaching out to the global EM community. iAEM has laid out a pathway for embracing the development of a truly international network of Emergency Managers.

That network shares knowledge and experience to the benefit of fellow professionals. It helps professional to continue both their individual development and the development of the profession.

It provides a focal point for information to assist Emergency Managers in both their day to day activities of prevention, mitigation and preparedness and the response and recovery phases of the challenges they face.

Formalising that learning network with education and certification is a key provision of iAEM to its members. The Certificate of Emergency Management is being prepared for global application.

Finally iAEM is about representing its members. iAEM has a reputation for advocacy on behalf of its members in the USA that is unmatched globally by any other association, society or institute for the profession. Through the creation of viable new Regions it intends to bring that advocacy to its members around the world.

iAEM will be the voice Emergency Managers need to represent them at local, regional and national government levels. A strong and robust central organisation will support the autonomy of Regions to manage their own activities. Those Regions will have representation on the management Board of iAEM.

iAEM will become **IAEM**.