

I²SL Chapter Resources



Chapter Officers' Meeting Highlights

Dear I²SL Chapter Officers,

Thank you again to those who were able to join for this month's chapter officers' check-in call July 17. It was great to hear from chapter officers about all the chapter progress in your regions and share upcoming I²SL initiatives! Below are a few highlights from the call:

2018 and 2019 Conference

Upcoming 2018 Conference October 14-17 in Raleigh, North Carolina

- [Early registration](#) closes Friday, August 10. [I²SL Members](#) receive a \$100 discount on their conference registration, and the redesigned registration form helps members with expired memberships [easily renew](#).
- There are eight booths left in the [2018 Technology and Services Fair](#). Sign up your organization and encourage local organizations to snag a booth in this unique space that allows for more conference attendee interaction.
- [Sponsorship opportunities](#) are still available for the Opening Plenary, Evening Reception, closing lunch/speaking opportunity, coffee breaks, and other sessions.
- Chapters are welcome to host their own happy hours and receptions during the conference. Please [contact Erin Pittorino](#) for inquiries about rental space to host events in the Raleigh Convention Center.
- The next Chapter Officers' meeting will be in person at the 2018 conference on Sunday, October 14 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Eastern.

2019 Conference in Denver, Colorado

- The 2019 I²SL Annual Conference will be held in Denver, Colorado, at the Hyatt Regency. The Colorado Chapter began planning efforts and is looking into hosting a fourth conference day at the University of Colorado with a focus on laboratory users.

Accounting Reminders

- Chapters should continue to use direct deposit systems (e.g., Square or PayPal), but chapters **must send I²SL HQ their username and password** information to allow HQ accounting to match up payment activity.

- Chapters should continue sending sponsorship and other payment checks to Eastern Research Group using the following address:

I²SL or International Institute for Sustainable Laboratories
c/o ERG
2300 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 350
Arlington, Virginia 22201

Other I²SL HQ News

- I²SL HQ would like to disseminate chapter news and useful information at the national level in the [Sustainability Scoop newsletter](#). **Chapters can share any news the activities of chapter members, speakers, and sponsors, including updates on lab building projects, sustainability efforts, and other items of interest to the I²SL community.**
- I²SL HQ is launching a pilot program for universities, government agencies, and nonprofits to obtain a **group I²SL Membership for \$600 annually**. This group membership would allow any employees of these organizations who buy a group membership to receive the same benefits as individual members including discounted conference registration, free High-Tech Talks webinar access, conference archive presentations access, etc.
- Special thanks to Alison Farmer of the new Northern California Chapter for drafting a proposal that I²SL submitted to the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) to support I²SL's enhanced laboratory benchmarking database effort.

Chapter Resources and News

- I²SL HQ provides a [variety of resources for chapters](#) to address questions chapters encounter. During the July 17 chapter officers' check-in call, chapters specifically mentioned:
 - Recruiting more chapter members and board members to assist in planning efforts
 - Successfully [transitioning board members](#)
 - Obtaining [chapter sponsorships](#)Please let I²SL HQ know if your chapter would like additional assistance or information or have an idea about chapter topics or resources you would like to see added.
- The new [Northern California Chapter](#) hosted its kickoff and brainstorming meeting, which garnered a lot of interest. Across the country in Atlanta, a planning committee is nominating officers for election in August and hopes to launch the chapter before the 2018 conference.
- Many other chapters are busy hosting events and educational days. [Check out their websites](#) for more information!

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything. As always, thank you for all you do for your chapters!

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