



Introducing IAEA and the 51st Annual Conference in Canada



About the IAEA

Founded in 1975, the **International Association for Educational Assessment (IAEA)** is a global non-profit, non-governmental association of educational assessment organizations. It provides a worldwide forum for all those engaged in educational assessment, in all its forms, in elementary and/or secondary schools, colleges and universities, or the workplace. Its diverse membership includes assessment and research organizations, examining bodies, college and university departments, and governmental agencies from more than 50 countries.

IAEA INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT

The IAEA's general purpose is to improve the quality of education by assisting educational agencies in developing and appropriately applying educational assessment techniques. IAEA believes this is best achieved through international co-operation and is committed to facilitating the development of closer ties among the relevant agencies and individuals worldwide. The IAEA believes that such international co-operation can help participants learn from one another while respecting their cultural autonomy.

The organization's main objectives are to:

- improve communication among organizations involved in educational assessment by sharing professional expertise through conferences and publications, and by providing a framework in which cooperative research, training, and projects involving educational assessment can be undertaken,
- make expertise in assessment techniques more readily available for the solution of educational problems,
- co-operate with other agencies with complementary interests, and
- engage in activities for the improvement of assessment techniques and their appropriate use by educational organizations around the world.

The IAEA has consultative status with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to achieve mutual goals. As a non-governmental organization (NGO), the IAEA plays an active role in UNESCO activities, which are increasingly focused on assessment and evaluation.



The announcement of the 51st IAEA Annual Conference was made at the 50th IAEA Annual Conference in Zambia.

More information about the IAEA is available here:
<https://iaea.info/about-us/purpose-and-objectives/>.

About the IAEA 2026 Annual Conference in Canada

Over the past 50 years, the IAEA Annual Conference has been held in countries including Zambia, the USA, Jamaica, Mexico, the UK, South Africa, Singapore, Australia, and many others worldwide.

For the first time, the IAEA Annual Conference, its 51st, will be held in Canada. It is hosted by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO), the provincial assessment agency of the Ontario Ministry of Education, and the supporting partner organization, Vretta.

This global event will provide an in-person venue for sharing experiences, advancing research, enhancing professional collaboration, and building partnerships with examining bodies, research organizations, colleges and universities, and government agencies worldwide.

The following are some conference highlights:

- **Theme:** Trust, Transparency, and Technology in Educational Assessment
- **Dates:** September 27 to October 2, 2026
- **Venue:** Marriott Downtown, Toronto, Canada
- **Deadline for Call for Presentation Abstracts:** March 31, 2026
- **Deadline for Early-Bird Registration:** June 15, 2026

Here are a few links to information on the conference:

- [Link to view the conference information brochure.](#)
- [Link to view the sponsoring and advertising opportunities.](#)

Be sure to attend this prestigious international event. For more information, visit the conference website at www.iaea2026.org and email info@iaea2026.org if you have any questions.



Click to watch the video invitation from the Host of the 51st IAEA Conference.