

# NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR'S GREEN ECONOMY CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 8-9, 2015 HOLIDAY INN ST. JOHN'S



## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

### Background

*Newleaf* is Newfoundland and Labrador's premier green economy event. An annual conference now in its fourth year, *Newleaf* brings industry, academia, government, and the community together to discuss the growth and diversification of the province's economy through the protection of, mitigation of effects to, or enhancement of the natural environment.

*Newleaf* explores business opportunities; presents the latest local research; aims to foster sector innovation; navigates environmental issues with a focus on solutions; highlights the products, services, and activities of organizations operating in the province; and builds sector capacity through the delivery of professional development seminars. Participants in the *Newleaf* conference believe that economy and environment are not mutually exclusive priorities, and that a strong Newfoundland and Labrador economy of the future is built on diversity and sustainability.

*Newleaf* is organized by the Newfoundland and Labrador Environmental Industry Association (NEIA). NEIA is a not-for-profit association of businesses which focuses on the growth and development of the green economy in Newfoundland and Labrador. More information on NEIA can be found at [www.neia.org](http://www.neia.org).

### Thematic Areas of Interest

NEIA is calling for presentation abstracts that highlight products, services, processes, or policies which serve to protect, mitigate effects to, or enhance the marine environment. Submissions from the academic field featuring new research (with the potential for commercial application) are also welcome.

The following themes have been identified as areas of interest for *Newleaf 2015*:

- Coastal, Ocean, and Arctic
- Infrastructure, Construction, and Planning
- Resource Sustainability
- Waste Management
- Agriculture and Food
- Green Technologies
- Energy
- Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, and Risk Management

Visit the *Newleaf 2015* website at [www.newleaf.ca](http://www.newleaf.ca) for more information on each thematic area.

Presentations will take place during the conference (October 8-9, 2015) and will be grouped in a session with others based on subject themes. Each presentation will be 30 minutes in duration and can feature audio-visual elements (e.g. PowerPoint, demonstrations, etc.).

## **Instructions for Submissions**

Please include with your submission:

- Title and type of presentation proposed
- 250-word (approx.) summary of presentation proposed
- Presenter's name, affiliation, and brief biographical statement

Please submit by email to Kieran Hanley, Manager of Policy and Communications with NEIA, at [kieran@neia.org](mailto:kieran@neia.org). Proposals for full conference sessions (2 or more presentations) that would be of interest and importance to the growth of the green economy are also welcome.

## **Deadline**

The deadline for submitting an abstract is August 12, 2015. Abstracts will be reviewed on the basis of relevance to the conference themes and the significance of the content to the *Newleef 2015* audience.

More information on *Newleef* can be found on the conference website at [www.newleef.ca](http://www.newleef.ca).