What’s Happening in Atlanta?

While in Atlanta, join us at these events sponsored by the Regional and Intergovernmental Planning Division.

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<td>Regional Livable Communities - special panel session (no-cost!)</td>
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The Regional and Intergovernmental Planning Division promotes awareness and understanding of the interdependent nature of local, state, and federal planning and the sustainable development of our nation’s communities. The Division is committed to providing a “regional perspective” in planning, evolving education in regional planning, and supporting the comprehensive nature of regional planning through technical, policy, and research activities. For more information, visit our website at: [www.homestead.com/intergovernmental/](http://www.homestead.com/intergovernmental/)

Interested in Division membership? Contact Peter Conrad at pconrad@mdp.state.md.us
Results of 2014 APA RIPD Elections

The results are in – your Executive Board members for 2014 are as follows:

Division Chair                                        Dan Reuter, AICP
First Vice-Chair                                     Sharon Rooney, AICP
Vice Chair, Metropolitan and Regional Planning        Mariia Zimmerman, AICP
Vice Chair, State Planning                            Richard E. Hall, AICP
Vice Chair, Federal Policy                           Sandra Lee Pinel, AICP, PhD
Division Secretary / Treasurer                       Alex Bond, AICP
We would like to thank everyone who participated in this year’s elections by voting and/or running for a position on the Board and we look forward to new and continued initiatives to meet the needs of Division members!

**Upcoming NADO Webinar on Building Disaster Resilient Economies**

In the wake of natural disasters, local and regional economies are extremely vulnerable. Businesses can suffer costly damage, be cut off from supplies, lose sales, and experience disrupted operations. In some cases, they may even be forced to close permanently. When businesses and industries fail or falter the communities they serve can feel serious impacts, ranging from a lack of access to goods and services to the loss of income and jobs.

Increasing the resilience of businesses and regional economies to natural disasters calls for a creative mix of land use, hazard mitigation, capital improvement, economic development, and other approaches. Join the NADO Research Foundation on **April 8 from 2:00-3:15 p.m. ET** for a free webinar, *Lessons from the Storm: Using Community and Economic Development Strategies to Build Disaster Resilient Economies*. Leaders from East Central Iowa; Longmont, Colorado; and Springfield, Massachusetts will discuss how they are rebuilding and protecting their economic assets, including downtowns and key industries; targeting growth to safe locations and encouraging walkable, mixed-use design; providing recovery funding and preparedness training to businesses; upgrading infrastructure; encouraging economic diversification; and promoting regional partnerships and coordinated planning.

Click [here](#) for more information and to register. The NADO Research Foundation has applied for 1.25 AICP CM credits for this webinar; registrants will be notified once approval is received. The webinar is supported by the [U.S. Economic Development Administration](http://www.eda.gov). Contact Megan McConville at mmcconville@nado.org with any questions.

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