

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ADAPTATION PROFESSIONALS

Submit nominations by May 31 for the first Great Lakes Regional Adaptation Leadership Award!

The [American Society of Adaptation Professionals](#) (ASAP) [Regional Adaptation Leadership Award](#) (RALA) recognizes individuals who have distinguished themselves in the climate change adaptation field through exceptional leadership. It recognizes the fact that deliberate, proactive adaptation, preparedness, and resilience-building is a change process, a deviation from business-as-usual, and a courageous act of doing something new and different. At its heart are individuals who make this change happen, sometimes with very few resources. The RALA recognizes distinguished adaptation leaders from all sectors, working at any scale, who approach their work in a strategic, sophisticated, well informed, inclusive, and effective manner.

ASAP's two award programs, the [Regional Adaptation Leadership Award](#) and the Prize for Progress, highlight excellence in adaptation leadership and excellence in adaptation practices of communities and organizations, respectively. These programs are a critical component of ASAP's work supporting and connecting adaptation professionals and advancing innovation and excellence in the field of climate change adaptation.

Help us make history by [nominating](#) those most deserving of recognition for their work on climate change adaptation in the Great Lakes region. The RALA awardee will be recognized at the [Great Lakes Adaptation Forum](#) in Ann Arbor, MI.

Award Prizes include: \$500 cash, a year of ASAP membership valued at \$150, and complimentary registration to the Great Lakes Adaptation Forum for 2018 or 2020.

Nomination deadline is Thursday May 31, 2018. The RALA nomination form can be found [here](#). You may nominate any adaptation professional who works in the Great Lakes region so long as they are not on the selection committee for the RALA. Nominees may come from any sector (ie - public, private, etc.) The awardee(s) will be chosen by a selection committee made up of adaptation professionals from across the region: Sascha Petersen, Matthew Naud, Scott Kalafatis, Ann Baughman, Jeffrey Andresen, Al Douglas, Jeff Mears, and Paul Moss. The committee brings a diverse set of experiences, expertise, and concerns to the selection process.

Questions? Email Rachel Jacobson at info@adaptpros.org. ASAP is committed to facilitating nomination and selection of a transformative leader. Please contact us if you have any barriers to submitting a nomination that fully captures the strength of the nominee's leadership.

About American Society of Adaptation Professionals:

As the nation's leading professional society for adaptation and resilience practitioners, ASAP is ensuring that climate adaptation and resilience work is equitable, ethical, and effective. ASAP connects and supports climate adaptation professionals, while advancing innovation and excellence in the field of climate change adaptation. Through ASAP's website, affinity groups, webinars, and meetings climate adaptation professionals interact, share what's working, collaborate with their colleagues and build essential climate resilience for communities across the U.S.